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## I. Linguistic Competence (10pts)

### A. Choose the best letter to complete the sentences (6pts)

- every student in the class passed the test.  
a) Next to; b) Near of; c) Nearly; d) Near to
- She can look back on her career with great -----  
a) satisfactory; b) satisfied; c) satisfaction; d) satisfactorily
- They ----- at this school before they became interpreters.  
a) had taught; b) have taught; c) have teaching; d) had being taught
- The salary of a bus driver is ----- than that of a teacher.  
a) much more high; b) much higher; c) highest; d) highly
- The captain, as well as the passengers, ----- frightened.  
a) are been; b) were; c) was; d) had
- Professional people expect you to call them when it is necessary ----- an appointment.  
a) canceling; b) canceled; c) to cancel; d) cancel

### B. Turn the following sentences into passive (4pts)

- Translators have translated that book into many languages.
- When did someone invent the radio?
- Someone stole my purse.
- The teacher is going to explain the lesson.

## II. Reading(5pts)

Read the text and answer the questions below.

### The causes of floods

Floods are only second to fire as the most common of all natural disasters. They occur almost everywhere in the world, resulting in widespread damage and even death. Consequently, scientists have long tried to perfect their ability to predict floods. So far, the best that scientists can do is to recognize the potential for flooding in certain conditions. There are a number of conditions, from deep snow on the ground to human error, that cause flooding.

When deep snow melts it creates a larger amount of water. Although deep snow alone rarely causes floods, when it occurs together with heavy rain and sudden warmer weather it can lead to serious flooding. If there is a fast snow melt on top of frozen or very wet ground, flooding is more likely to occur than when the ground is not frozen. Frozen ground or ground that is very wet and already saturated with water cannot absorb the additional water created by the

melting snow. Melting snow also contributes to high water levels in rivers and streams. Whenever rivers are already at their full capacity of water, heavy rains will result in the rivers overflowing and flooding the surrounding land.

Although scientists cannot always predict exactly when floods will occur, they do know a great deal about when floods are likely, or probably, going to occur. Deep snow, ice-covered rivers, and weak dams are all strong conditions for potential flooding. Hopefully, this knowledge of why floods happen can help us reduce the damage they cause.

### Questions

- 1) What is the first most common of all natural disasters?
- 2) What are the causes of flooding?
- 3) How can heavy rains contribute to flood?
- 4) What are other conditions for floods to occur?

### III. Writing (5pts)

Write a passage of two paragraphs (200 – 250 words) to answer this question:

Describe some environmental problems you notice in your area, and suggest some solutions to face the situation.