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# Practice Test Eight

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PAPER 3 USE OF ENGLISH

Time: 2 hours

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**Section A**

1. Fill each of the numbered blanks in the following passage. Use only *one* word in each space.

In holiday resorts all (1) ..... the Mediterranean outdoor restaurants and cafés (2) ..... "English Breakfast" every morning, and (3) ..... in the early afternoon they are still filled with people tucking into plates (4) ..... with eggs, bacon, tomatoes and sausages. Those with stamina follow this with toast and jam washed (5) ..... with tea and orange juice. But do the English eat (6) ..... this everyday?

Certainly a full breakfast used to be (7) ..... for those who (8) ..... manual jobs if they could afford it. The tradition has (9) ..... with the increase in sedentary jobs and the rising (10) ..... of ingredients; it seems that the English breakfast no (11) ..... suits the English. These (12) ..... have been compounded by the (13) ..... of doctors and nutritionists. The high fat and salt (14) ..... of bacon and sausages and the (15) ..... of cholesterol in eggs means that we are not (16) ..... to eat them often.

The opposite of the "English Breakfast", the cup of black coffee and a cigarette is also (17) ..... recommended. We need, it seems, a nutritious meal to start the day (18) ..... . The British now (19) ..... to eat cereal, toast and orange juice very much like people in other countries. The great English breakfast is now (20) ..... to high days and holidays.

2. Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means *exactly the same* as the sentence printed before it.

Example: Her parents believe nothing she tells them.  
Answer: Whatever *she tells them, her parents don't believe her.*

- a. There is nothing he can do but wait.  
Beyond .....
- b. She acted brilliantly in her last film.  
She gave .....
- c. Mr Jones never takes his children anywhere.  
Mr Jones' children .....
- d. I can't think why you said that.  
I have .....
- e. He showed me exactly what to do.  
He gave me .....
- f. Would it be possible for you to finish this now?  
Is there .....
- g. I would never sign such a complicated contract.  
Under no circumstances .....
- h. The library closes early today.  
It's .....