



Subject: Grade 10 English: Home Language

Topic: English HL: Term 1 - Mini-Exam

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"The Murky Waters of Unethical Fishing: A Call to Save Our Oceans"

1. In the vast expanse of our oceans, a sinister shadow lurks beneath the shimmering surface – the unsettling reality of unethical fishing. As the demand for seafood skyrockets, a dark underbelly of overfishing, destructive techniques, and shady practices threaten the delicate balance of marine ecosystems. It's time to dive into the depths of this issue and shed light on the devastating consequences of our insatiable appetite for seafood.
2. Picture this: miles of driftnets indiscriminately sweeping through the ocean, ensnaring everything in their path. Unethical fishing methods like these not only lead to the capture of unintended species but also result in the decimation of crucial marine habitats. The toll on our underwater world is heart-wrenching, leaving behind a trail of devastation that extends far beyond the immediate catch.
3. The emotional weight of unethical fishing is not just felt by the marine life at the mercy of these practices but also by the communities that depend on sustainable fishing for their livelihoods. As ecosystems collapse and fish populations dwindle, the once vibrant tapestry of coastal life unravels, leaving many fishermen struggling to make ends meet. It's a stark reminder that the consequences of our actions ripple through the entire web of life.
4. Consumers, armed with knowledge, have the power to turn the tide. By making informed choices and supporting sustainably sourced seafood, we can send a powerful message to the fishing industry. Opting for certifications like MSC (Marine Stewardship Council) or supporting local fisheries that prioritize ethical practices can help create a demand for responsible fishing. This is not just a call to action; it's a plea to break free from the chains of indifference and take a stand for our oceans.
5. Imagine a world where the seafood on our plates tells a story of ethical practices, conservation, and a commitment to preserving the wonders of the deep. By educating ourselves and supporting initiatives that champion sustainable fishing, we can ensure that future generations inherit a thriving ocean, teeming with life. Let's not be passive observers to the demise of our oceans; let's be the guardians of the sea, working together to protect the fragile beauty that lies beneath the waves.
6. The time to act is now, for the sake of our oceans and all the creatures that call them home.

Question 1: Please Fill In The Blanks

4 marks

The **final sentence** of the article is an effective conclusion as it (1) the main point of the (2) .

Possible Answers: summarises | shows | article | paragraph

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Question 2: Please Fill In The Blanks

4 marks

What is a **synonym** for APATHY/ APATHETIC in:

paragraph 4: (1) .

paragraph 5: (2) .

Possible Answers: champion | powerful | passive | indifference

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Question 3: Please Fill In The Blanks

4 marks

According to the article, how do unethical fishing practices impact marine habitats?

Driftnets can (1) and (2) .

Answer in alphabetical order.

Possible Answers: pollute the environment | lead to the capture of unintended species | decimate crucial marine habitats | reduce tuna

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Question 4: Please Fill In The Blanks

4 marks

The article mentions (1) and (2) as "shady practices" in the article.

Answer in alphabetical order.

Possible Answers: sustainable fishing | bycatch | driftnets | MSC certificates

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Question 5: Please Fill In The Blanks

4 marks

Comment on the impact of the line: 'It's a stark reminder that the consequences of our actions ripple through the entire web of life.'

When asked to COMMENT, you need to provide an (1) or (2) .

Answer in alphabetical order.

Possible Answers: opinion | explanation | evaluation | answer

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This image refers to question: 6, 7



Question 6: True/False

2 marks

The **visual** of the pelican provides a VISUAL METAPHOR.

TRUE

FALSE

Question 7: Please Fill In The Blanks

4 marks

Consider the phrase '*Join the fight for a healthy ocean.*'

The words (1) and (2) are examples of **emotive language**.

Answer in alphabetical order.

Possible Answers: Join | the | fight | ocean

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This text refers to question: 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14

Beachgoing

1. Beachgoing is considered one of the most rejuvenating activities one can partake in. Upon stepping onto the sandy shore, the sensation of the warm sun on one's skin is truly remarkable. The rhythmic sound of the waves crashing against the shore is akin to a melodic symphony, offering a soothing and calming experience. Whether one takes pleasure in basking in the sun, constructing sandcastles, or indulging in a refreshing dip in the ocean, there are an activity suitable for every beach enthusiast. To boldly step onto the sandy shore is a remarkable experience.

2. The vibrant umbrellas and beach towels add a vivid burst of colour to the coastal panorama, creating a picturesque view. While strolling along the water's edge, one may discover shells of various shapes and sizes, collecting them has become a popular beach pastime. The beach serves as a gathering place for friends and family, fostering shared laughter, engaging in beach-volleyball, and relishing in delightful picnics. So, the next time you contemplate a leisurely pursuit, consider beachgoing, where the steady rhythm of the waves and the soothing warmth of the sand await your presence.

Question 8: True/False

2 marks

The HYPHEN in beach-volleyball forms a compound ADJECTIVE.

TRUE

FALSE

Question 9: True/False

2 marks

Refer to paragraph one.

There is an **error of concord**.

TRUE

FALSE

Question 10: True/False

2 marks

In paragraph 2, the incorrect comma can be replaced by a hyphen.

TRUE

FALSE

Question 11: True/False

2 marks

Refer to paragraph 1:

Beachgoing is considered one of the most rejuvenating activities one can partake in.

The sentence **ending** is incorrect.

☐ TRUE☐ FALSE**Question 12: True/False**

2 marks

The **split infinitive** in paragraph 1 is:

Upon stepping onto the sandy shore, the sensation of the warm sun **on one's skin** is truly remarkable.

☐ TRUE☐ FALSE**Question 13: True/False**

2 marks

Consider paragraph 2.

A single word that can **synonymously** replace the phrase "vivid burst of colour" is "flamboyance."

☐ TRUE☐ FALSE**Question 14: True/False**

2 marks

An ANTONYM for "picturesque" is BEAUTIFUL.

☐ TRUE☐ FALSE

This image refers to question: 15

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Question 15: Please Fill In The Blanks

4 marks

The sharks are (1) to eat the man. This is evident by their (2) .

Possible Answers: hesitant | eager | mouths wide open | intent stare

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