**SISU- TCOS**

**ACADEMIC ENGLISH; PRACTICE MIDTERM PAPER**

**DATE: 18-01-2016 NAME: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**DURATION: 90 Minutes CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**PART ONE SHORT LECTURE LISTENING EXERCISE**

**Instructions:***In this section you will listen to a short academic lecture about emperor Qin Shi Huang.*

1. **Multiple Choice:** (5 points, 1 point each)

**Instructions:***Read each of the below and choose the best answer that describes the points of the lecture.*

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

1. **Lecture outline:** (5 points)

 **Instructions:***On your answer sheet please write on the lines provided an organized outline with title, main talking points and supporting details of the lecture you hear.*

**PART TWO VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR**

1. **Parts of speech:** (20 points, 1 point each)

**Instructions:***Read each of the below and choose the best part of speech to complete the sentence.*

1) An aeroplane is able to fly at an extremely high altitude far up into the \_\_\_

A) hemisphere

B) hemicircle

C) hemiplegia

D) hemicylindrical

2) The \_\_\_ of marriage is vigorously and strongly defended by the church.

A) sanctity

B) nativity

C) naivety

D) evilness

3) If I am lost and perplexed as to the most wise course of action in my life, I might consult

or talk with a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A) sophist

B) optometrist

C) surgeon

D) misogynist

4) The criminal is likely to be severely punished due to his recent bloody and horrific\_\_\_\_\_.

A) homicide

B) hominoid

C) homie

D) Hamilton

5) Given that ‘mis’ is a negative prefix select the correct word that most clearly and

accurately completes this sentence:

I have developed an exceedingly \_\_\_\_ perspective towards all the humans around me

especially the men who behave in a misogynistic and hateful way.

A) misanthropic

B) misguided

C) misplaced

D) mis-spoken

6) In the extensive read and preparation for writing my argumentative paper about the

meaning of life, faith and god I am likely to make summarizations in the \_\_\_\_ at the end of

my paper:

A) bibliography

B) autobiography

D) spectrograph

C) autograph

7) I would much prefer to adapt a color scheme that in this room that is \_\_\_\_\_ rather than so

bright, loud and obnoxious because single colors are easier on the eyes.

A) monochromatic

B) mononuclear

C) unicellular

D) monocracy

8) As you apply layers of cosmetics and makeup, you will hide any blemishes, pimples or

marks that are visible on the outer surface of your \_\_\_\_\_\_

A) digital

B) dermis

C) demarcation

D) demonic

9) An education that is well rounded and activates many brain regions and types of

intelligences is able to \_\_\_\_\_ the disparate voices of the arts, sciences and literature.

A) integrate

B) prognosticate

C) communicate

D) reprobate

10) Rather than being the loudmouth life of the party who speaks constantly and is described

by others as \_\_\_\_\_\_, Dwight is an exceedingly reserved and quiet man .

A) loquacious

B) lugubrious

C) legitimate

D) laughable

11) His quickness to pull his gun out of his holder and put bullets into others at even the

slightest bit of provocation makes him among the most \_\_\_\_\_ men I have ever met.

A) blatant

B) banter

C) bombastic

D) bellicose

12) I am a very friendly man and like to \_\_\_\_ back and forth with my good friends about the

birds and the bees.

A) banter

B) bombastic

C) bellicose

D) balderdash

13) I must maintain my reverence and respect for all that is \_\_\_\_ about this holy place of

worship when I visit it otherwise I will be considered rude and disrespectful.

A) sacrosanct

B) secretion

C) secretarial

D) skeptical

**PART THREE CRITICAL THINKING EXERCISES**

1. **Justification of thought:** (10 points, 2 point each)

**Instructions:** *In this section you will read about people’s strongly held opinions, contentions of beliefs as well as the supporting information, point of view, assumptions and implications. .*

 **II. Evaluation of premises:** (10 points, 2 point each)

**PART THREE APA CITATION STYLE**

**I. Formatting errors:** (10 points, 2 point each)

**Instructions:** *Each of the following APA reference page entries has an error. Circle and label the error on your answer sheet noting mistakes with spacing, punctuation, capitalization, etc.*

**II. Reference entry writing:** (10 points, 5 point each)

**Instructions:** *Read the abstracts and article information briefly for each of the two scholarly article excerpts and write the necessary information in APA format.*

**PART FOUR ESSAY (30 points)**

**Instructions:**

*Choose one of the below topics and compose a well structured essay of at least 200 words. You will be graded by the following criteria: relevance, comprehensiveness, development and coherence of ideas, cohesion, use of an appropriate layout, register, accuracy and range of vocabulary and grammatical structures, spelling.*

***Option (A) :*** *..*

***Option (B):*** *..*

***Option (C):*** *..*