

READING**(20 marks)**

Read the text carefully and then answer the questions that follow:

Text (A)

The bright colours of birds, the call of monkeys and the hum of insects are common sights and sounds in a tropical rainforest.

Rainforests grow near the Equator, where it is always warm and wet – the perfect habitat for plants and animals.

In Papua New Guinea, scientists have just discovered a new rainforest. It has existed for many thousands of years at the top of a mountain. It has always been very difficult to reach.

- 1- What are the common sights and sounds in the rainforests?
- 2- Where do the rainforests grow?
- 3- Why are the rainforests considered to be the perfect habitat for plants and animals?

Text (B)

The value of emeralds has been known for centuries and even in ancient times.

The Aztecs in Mexico and the Incas in Peru held them in high regard. However, the oldest emeralds were found in Egypt, near the Red Sea.

Many Egyptian pharaohs took emeralds from the mines there. The mines were actually known as 'Cleopatra's mines' because Cleopatra liked to wear the stones.

People say she wore jewellery made from emeralds and decorated many ornaments with the jewel.

- 1- Referring to the text. Mention two civilisations that held Emeralds in high
- 2- regards.
- 3- Where were the oldest Emeralds found?
- 4- The writer mentioned the name of the civilization lived in Egypt. What
- 5- was its name?
- 6- Why were the mines in Egypt called “Cleopatra’s mines”?
- 7- What does the underlined pronoun refer to?

VOCABULARY**(6 marks)****Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the box:****{ traded – ruby – millions – necklaces – pearl –special }**

- 1- _____ is a red precious stone that is sold for high prices.
- 2- Women like to wear jewellery such as _____ and bracelets
- 3- In the past, people _____ jewellery for food.
- 4- _____ of years ago, precious stones had been dug for.
- 5- _____ can be found in the shell of an oyster.
- 6- Cleopatra was known for her _____ interest in jewels.

STRUCTURE

(10 marks)

a) Choose the correct alternative from the given choices.**1- The little boy _____ already _____ his missing bag.**

- a) does/find b) has/found c) is/finding d) was/finding

2- Have you eaten your meal _____?

- a) since b) already c) yet d) for

3- I can't see him well, he _____ be Ali.

- a) must b) can't c) might d) should

b) Correct the verbs in brackets.**1- Sami could _____ in any minute. (arrive)****2- Have you ever _____ the Italian Pizza before. (try)****WRITING**

(4 marks)

Write a short description about a precious stone such as ruby, diamond or emeralds. (S.B page 21 might help you)

Best Wishes

Answers

READING

(20 marks)

Text (A)

- 1- The bright colours of birds, the call of monkeys and the hum of insects.
- 2- Rainforests grow near the Equator.
- 3- Because it is always warm and wet.

Text (B)

- 1- The Aztecs in Mexico and the Incas in Peru.
- 2- The oldest emeralds were found in Egypt, near the Red Sea.
- 3- Pharaohs.
- 4- Because Cleopatra liked to wear the stones.
- 5- She (L9) refers to **Cleopatra**.

VOCABULARY

(6 marks)

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| 1- ruby | 2- necklaces | 3- traded |
| 4- millions | 5- pearl | 6- special |

STRUCTURE

(10 marks)

- a) 1- b) has/found 2- c) yet 3- c) might
b) 1- arrive 2- tried

WRITING

(4 marks)

Student's own answer

