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A.READING COMPREHENSION

Read the text carefully and answer the question:

Text

The British Government decided to build an atomic power station in the village of Helmby, in the north of England. When it is finished, it will be the one of the largest one in Europe. Dave, a school teacher and Christine, a factory worker discussed this project. Ian Keys, a journalist, interviewed them in a local pub.

IAN: What do you think of the plan to build the atomic power station here?

CHRISTINE: Well...I think it is an excellent idea. I mean it has to be built somewhere. Everybody knows we need atomic power.

DAVE: I...I don't agree at all, it will ruin the village. And in my case, I don't think it's necessary. In fact, I think unnecessary and unsafe.

CHRISTINE: What do you mean it's unnecessary? Everybody knows we can't go on using oil much longer. In 20 or 30 years. ...Perhaps sooner ...there won't be any. And look at what it cost already.

DAVE: Well. ...First of all, that simply isn't true. I mean nobody knows how much oil is left. But even if it runs out in 20 or 30 years, there will be alternative sources of energy.

CHRISTINE: What do you mean? How do you think we are going to heat our homes and light them and run our factories when the oil runs out? What do you think we're going to use

then? Old socks? Because that will be the only ...What you call it...alternative source of energy there be!

DAVE: I'm sorry but that's nonsense. Just nonsense! Think of all that coal down there in the mines and you see, nowadays, we can get energy from the sun; in the few years we'll be able to use the wind. ...

QUESTIONS

I-Guessing words

1-Find in the following sentences a word having the same meaning as: "destroy"

"I...I don't agree at all. It will ruin the village. And in my case. I don't think it's necessary. In fact, I think it's unnecessary and unsafe."

2-Find in the following sentences a word or a group of word having the same meaning as: "solar energy"

"I'm sorry but that's nonsense. Just nonsense! Think of all coal down there in the mines and you see, nowadays, we can get energy from the sun ...and in the few years we'll be able to use the wind...."

II-Fill in the blanks with the appropriate linking words

I mean it has to be built somewhere.....Everybody knows we need atomic power. Everybody knows we can't go on using oil much longer.....In 20 or 30 years, perhaps sooner, there won't be any

III-According to what is said in the text, choose the best answer and re-write it. **Christine thinks:**

- a) There will be enough oil in the future
- b) There won't be enough oil in the future
- c) There will be more factories in the future
- d) There won't be many factories in the future

IV-Classify the following ideas according to the order they appear in the text:

- a) Telling opinion
- b) Disagreeing
- c) Asking opinion
- d) Going on disagreeing

V-Say if you agree or disagree with Dave who is not for building an atomic power station in the village.

I agree because:

- a).....
- b).....

I disagree because:

- a).....
- b).....

B-GRAMMAR IN USE

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate grammatical items so as to get the text restored.

Last week; I visited my friend James who lives in town. Early.....1.....The morning, I took my suitcase.....2.....went to the coach station. The coach had just arrived and we go on.....3.....Our journey lasted four hours. It.....4.....half past noon when we arrived. As soon as the coach stopped, my friend James came up to.....5.....and we greeted.....6.....; other. After I had paid.....7.....; fare we went.....8.....; his house.

1).....2).....3).....4).....

5).....6).....7).....8).....

C-INDIRECT TEST OF SPEAKING

1-Match the sentences in the column X with those in column Y

X	Y
1-What do you do?	A-Yes, I'm very fond of them
2-I think alcohol is bad for our health	B-I'm writing a letter
3-Could you tell me the way to the nearest bank, please?	C-You should stop smoking
4-Thank you	D-Wait a minute. I'm going to check if she's in
5-Do you like pears?	E-Thank you
6-I'd like to speak to Susan, please.	F-I'm a taxi-driver
7-I cough a lot	G-I agree with you
8-What are you doing?	H- I'm sorry, I'm a stranger here. Please, ask another person.
	I-You're welcome

1).....2).....3).....4).....

5).....6).....7).....8).....

2- Build up a dialogue from the following situation:

Bill meets his friend Jane who doesn't look very well. She tells him she's got a fever. Bill advises her to see a doctor. She accepts his advice and thanks him.

Bill:

Jane:

Bill:

Jane:

D- WRITTING COMPOSITION:

You study in town and live alone. You need some money to buy school things. Write a letter to your parents, asking them for some money.

Tell them about your studies, what school things you need (books, copy-books,) and how much money you need (in Ariary)

NB: copy the layout below, do not change anything.