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Varianta 2**

Question I (50 points)

**Write a 250-word narrative essay which should begin with the following words:
*Mark could never imagine that this telephone call would change his life forever.***

Question II (25 points)

You have moved to another town for two months. Write a letter to your English-speaking friend telling him/her about your new town, house, friends and how you are getting accustomed to living in a new place. Write an informal letter of 120-150 words.

Question III.

A. Put each verb in brackets into a suitable past verb form. (10 points)

Never in my life had I imagined that something like that would happen. I 1)
(walk) down the street one day together with my best friend, talking about the day we met. It was
my first day at school when I 2) (walk) into a classroom of strangers. Everybody 3)
..... (stare) at me and I 4) (feel) like crying. Everybody 5)
..... (tell) me before that there was nothing I should be afraid of. However, there
was one boy who 6)(smile) at me. As there was nobody next to him, I asked him
if that seat 7) (be) vacant. It took him some time to answer. I 8)
(imagine) all possible scenarios for a couple of minutes when, all of a sudden, he replied: "Yes".
I couldn't have been happier. I expected the first day of school to be tough but I 9)
(never/ imagine) anything like what I 10) (go) through for the past few hours.

B. Complete the text with the correct form of the word given in capitals. (5 points)

According to believers in the Chinese science of feng shui, houses and other buildings should be arranged in a certain way. Some of the basic (1. RECOMMEND) of feng shui experts are as follows: it is considered (2. LUCK) if a stove can be seen from the front door as stoves are (3. CLOSE) associated with death; similarly, a staircase pointing towards the front door can bring (4. FORTUNE) because it means money will (5. CONSTANT) flow out through the door.

C. Rephrase each sentence so that the meaning stays the same, using the word in capitals. You must use between 2 and 5 words including the word given. (10 points)

1. It was so hot that she fainted.

IF

She _____ it hadn't been so hot.

2. They're identical twins, so they look exactly the same.

TELL

You can't _____ they're identical twins.

3. I don't normally dress up when I go out for the evening.

USED

I'm _____ when I go out for the evening.

4. . She is very proud of her husband's achievements.

PRIDE

She _____ her husband's achievements.

5. Les enjoys tennis very much despite not having enough time to play. **KEEN**

Les _____ he doesn't have enough time to play.

TOTAL: 100 PUNCTE

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VARIANTA 2

Question I. Marking scheme for narrative essay

Question II. Marking scheme for informal letter

Question III.

A. 1. was walking; 2. walked; 3. was staring; 4. felt; 5. had told; 6. was smiling; 7. was; 8. had been imagining; 9. had never imagined; 10. had been going

B. 1. recommendations; 2. unlucky; 3. closely; 4. misfortune; 5. constantly

C. 1. wouldn't have fainted if
2. tell them apart because
3. not used to dressing up
4. takes pride in
5. is keen on tennis although

