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Skriftlig eksamen

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Sidetal: 1 + forside

Hjelpemiddel: Ingen

Merknader: Svar på **alle** spørsmålene.

Vedlegg: Ingen

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20% A. On the basis of Watkins' *Practical English Handbook*, answer the following question. The answer should be approximately 70 words long (6-8 sentences). Write clear and complete sentences.

“Hiding under the floorboards, I have finally found you.” This sentence has a so-called dangling participle. Please explain what we mean when we say that a participle, clause, or modifier is dangling and why these can cause confusion.

50% B. The following passages contain various grammatical, lexical, and stylistic pitfalls/mistakes made by non-native writers (22 in total). Rewrite the entire passage after making the necessary changes. You do not need to identify the errors.

“Pushing their horses and going without sleep for three nights in a row, the town of Deraa fell to T. E. Lawrence and the Sherifial Army. As he met with regular British soldiers at Deraa, T. E. Lawrence felt utterly alien to them. They showed such subservience as he never saw among the Arab irregulars he had been fighting with for the past years. The book, *Seven Pillars of Wisdom*, give us a description of these:

‘These others were really soldiers. A novelty after two years of irregularity. And it comes upon me freshly how the secret of uniform was to make a crowd solid, dignified, impersonal to give them the singleness and tautness of an upstanding man. This death’s livery which walled its bearers from ordinary life and that marked them as soldiers, were sign that they had sold their wills and bodies to the State, it was a sign that you have contracted yourself into a service not less abject just because its beginning was voluntary. Some of them had obeyed the instinct of lawlessness; some was hungry; others thirsted for glamour, for the supposed colour of a military life: but, of them all, those received only satisfaction who had sought to degrade themselves, for to the peace-eye they were below humanity.

Convicts has violence put upon them. Slaves might be free, if they can, in intention. But the soldier assign his owner the twenty-four hours’ use of his body, and sole conduct of his mind and passions. A convict have licence to hate the rule which confines him, and all humanity outside, if he is greedy in hate: but the sulking soldier was a bad soldier; indeed, no soldier. His affections must be hired pieces on the chess-board of the king.’”

30% C. The following seven sentences contain certain incomplete or misplaced elements. Rewrite the sentences in full after making the necessary corrections.

1. Cats eat more cheese than mice.
2. The editors say that the headlines have been written and the type set.
3. Shoppers standing in the checkout line are sometimes both curious and disapproving of the tabloids on the display racks.
4. Some players are as talented if not more talented than those who are drafted by professional teams.
5. They spent the evening eating and staring into each other’s eyes.
6. Star Wars is more popular than any movie ever filmed.