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#### **SLUTTEKSAMEN (KONTE)**

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#### **2010N PRACTICAL ENGLISH**

29.05.2015

Skriftlig eksamen

Tid: 2.5 timer

Målform: Engelsk

Sidetal: 2 + forside

Hjelpemiddel: Ingen

Merknader: Svar på alle spørsmålene.

Vedlegg: Ingen

Denne eksamen teller 100% av den endelige karakteren i kurs 2010N.

Eksamensresultata blir offentliggjort på nettet via Studentweb

# 25% 1. Answer <u>only two</u> of the following questions. Each answer should be approximately 60-80 words long (5-8 sentences). Write in clear, grammatically correct sentences.

- a. What are some results of being brainwashed of thinking of language as written language?
- b. In what ways is spoken language different from written language?
- c. What are the challenges of giving an accurate estimate of English vocabulary?

#### 30% 2. Rewrite the following sentences to improve them stylistically.

- a. There was hope that Nicole, although she had not received any information, would hear about her scholarship in a few days.
- b. A young musician must practice long hours, give up pleasures, and one has to be able to take criticism.
- c. The timid soul was afraid of dogs and cats terrified him.
- d. Elaine was an industrious employee who was soon to be promoted to a position in management and who was studying accounting at a local college.
- e. Tragedy is when a person of high standing falls to a low estate.
- f. The school janitor read every book on the list except Oliver Twist, which pleased the instructor immensely.
- g. Soft contact lenses are quite popular. They require more care than hard contact lenses do. The lenses must be washed daily and cleaned with a special solution once a month.
- h. Use pine first to start a fire since it ignites easily and because it will then make the oak burn.

## 15% 3. Correct <u>errors in agreement</u> in the following sentences. If a sentence contains no error, label it (C). Rewrite the corrected sentences in full.

- a. There is many Americans who never bother to vote.
- b. In the early days of the American West, almost every man could ride their horse well.
- c. The convocation speaker, as well as his wife and children, was welcomed heartily by the audience.
- d. The committee came in the room and took its seats.
- e. This tribal custom is enforced by strict taboos, the violation of which bring immediate death.
- f. Did the dignitary hand the certificate to yourself or to your partner?

### 15% 4. Make each of the following sentences complete and clear by inserting <u>just</u> one word. Rewrite the corrected sentences in full.

- a. His dog and favorite hunting companion were waiting for him at the back door just before sunrise.
- b. It seemed to me at this point a change came over me.
- c. Sri Lanka, formerly Ceylon, has and continues to be the world's chief supplier of natural cinnamon.
- d. The weather reporter predicted rain and that it would not last all day.
- e. The tenant in the apartment was both interested and suspicious of his neighbor.
- f. Forgetting a school assignment is worse than any mistake in school.

### 15% 5. Correct the faulty modifiers in the following sentences. If a sentence contains no error, label it (C). Rewrite the corrected sentences in full.

- a. Performing aerobic exercises regularly contributes to good health.
- b. Using the office's newest typewriter, the letter was typed by the secretary.
- c. Some infants have by the time they say their first words already cut several teeth.
- d. The review did not even include a brief summary of the novel's plot.
- e. Pedestrians stepped in the cement walking across the new sidewalk.
- f. It would be wise for the student to clearly define his reasons for entering college.