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BRAȘOV**

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Probă scrisă

CLASA a XII-a - SECȚIUNEA A

BAREM DE EVALUARE ȘI DE NOTARE

- Se punctează oricare alte modalități de rezolvare corectă a cerințelor.
- Nu se acordă puncte din oficiu.

I. Read the following text and fill in the blanks with ONE word only. (10 points)

10 x 1p = 10 points

1) most; 2) do/will; 3) as; 4) Had; 5) what; 6) were; 7) is; 8) there; 9) that; 10) over.

II. Choose the best option A, B, C or D. (10 points)

10 x 1p = 10 points

1- C, 2- D, 3- A, 4- C, 5- A, 6- A, 7- B, 8- C, 9- B, 10- A

III. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given. (10 points) 5 x 2p = 10 points

1. playing it by **EAR**
2. may / might **WELL** have been lying
3. only I had **SEEN** through
4. came to **TERMS** with
5. was **BENT** on not

IV. Translate into English.

10 points

grammar structures

4 points

vocabulary

4 points

fluency

2 points

SUGGESTED ANSWER

I must confess from the outset that I am one of those people who talk to themselves while walking in the street. This would mean, in fact, that I shelter/carry at least one more person within myself. And the problem is not whether this is good or bad, but whether this is good or bad manners to talk to yourself/oneself. This comes top of the list in a series of indecent/ improper acts, together with sneezing and yawning, otherwise perfectly normal gestures. It truly is indecent/ improper to do it when there is somebody else around, somebody real, but think what would have become of Robinson Crusoe if he had observed social conventions! Or, you have to admit that, in the middle of a large city such as ours, you cannot but be alone. In this case, how can you/ one possibly live without bearing some thought or person permanently in mind for company/to keep you/ one company?

When I moved to this street, I thought for a while that it was exactly as it looked: lonely/ deserted and quiet. Until one day when, raising my eyes towards the balcony above, I caught the eye of my neighbor who had had nothing to do in/ for the last thirty years, she was always there, even when you couldn't see/ notice her. When I saw her that day, I got confused/flustered, I didn't know what to do with my hands and finally I heard myself saying "good morning!". And that is how we became friends.