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Level: B2

Company: ACCENTURE TECH020

Vocabulary (10pts total)

Complete this job advertisement for an assistant press officer by writing the correct of the following verbs in each gap. (1 pt each)

launch; receive; take; attend; make; put out; give; post; send out; publish



We are seeking a motivated, independent press relations officer to assist our busy team. Candidates should have at least 10 years' experience in the field, preferably with a multinational corporation. The job will involve **1)** .RECEIVING.....ok... and **2)** ...TAKING.....x making calls from member of the press; **3)** ...PUTTING OUT.....ok..... press releases; **4)** ..ATTENDING....ok..... public meetings with the Chairman and, where necessary, **5)** ..GIVES..x taking the minutes; coaching the Chairman before he **6)** .LAUNCH. X .gives..... presentations or speeches; helping to **7)**MAKE. x publish/produce the company's annual report; **8)**POSTING...ok..... news about the company's activities on our website; liaising with the marketing department about the

9) ...PUBLISH.x **launching.....** of advertising campaigns; keeping department heads informed of new developments by 10) ..SENDING OUT.....**ok.....** memos to all concerned.

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Grammar (20pts total)

Complete this email by writing each verb in brackets in the correct tense (2 points each)

Dear Ms Spackman

I am writing you to ask a couple of questions about your recently launched call for tender. Actually, this is the second time that we 1) .. HAVE SUBMITTED.....**ok.....** (submit) a bid to your company and I hope that this time we 2)WILL BE...**ok...** (be) successful.

My questions are as follows:

The technical specifications are exactly the same as the last time we 3)TENDERED.....**OK.....**(tender) for this contract two years ago. Is this intentional?

You ask for three references. How recent must these be? We 4) ...DID...**OK.....** (do) a job of comparable size six years ago but since then, we 5) ...HAVEN'T DONE...**OK.....** (not/do) anything on the same scale.

For the time being we 6) ...ARE CONTINUING...**OK.....** (continue) to work on our offer, but I hope to receive your answers before long.

Yours sincerely

Danny Robinson

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Make each adjective into a noun to complete each statement. (2 points each)

- a) At Google the emphasis is onINFORMALITY.....**OK**..... **INFORMAL**
- b) The most important thing for employees is to have.....CONSISTENCY.....**OK**.....; not constant change. **CONSISTENT**
- c) In advertising, the main thing is to bring out employees' natural ...CREATIVITY...**OK**..... **CREATIVITY**
- d)RECOGNITION.....**OK**..... can be financial or simply a few words of praise. **RECOGNISED**.



Reading (15pts total)

Read the text and decide if the following statements are true (T) or false(F) (1 point each)

My father and mother should have stayed in New York where they met and married and where I was born. Instead, they returned to Ireland when I was four, my brother. Malachy, three, the twins, Oliver and Eugene, barely one, and my sister, Margaret, dead and gone.

When I look back on my childhood, I wonder how I survived at all. It was, of course, a miserable childhood: the happy childhood is hardly worth your while. Worse than the ordinary miserable childhood is the miserable Irish childhood. And worse yet, is the miserable Irish Catholic childhood.

People everywhere brag and whimper about the woes of their early years, but nothing can compare with the Irish version: the poverty; the shiftless loquacious alcoholic father; the pious defeated mother moaning by the fire; pompous priests; bullying schoolmaster, the English and the terrible things they did to us for eight hundred long years.

My father, Malachy McCourt, was born on a farm in Toome, County Antrim. Like his father before, he grew up wild, in trouble with the English, or the Irish, or both. He fought with the old IRA and for some desperate act he would up a fugitive with a price on his head.

When I was a child I would look at my father, the thinning hair, the collapsing teeth, and wonder why no one would give money for a head like that. When I was thirteen my father's mother told me a secret: as a wee lad your poor father was dropped on his head. It was an accident, he was never the same after, and you must remember that people dropped on their heads can be a bit peculiar.

- a. Frank (the author) grew up in New York. FALSE OK
- b. His parents grew up in New York. FALSE OK
- c. He went to Ireland with his five brother and sisters. FALSE OK
- d. He came from a poor family. TRUE OK
- e. He did not like his teachers at school. TRUE OK

- f. Ireland was the best county to grow up in. FALSE OK
- g. His father was never in trouble. FALSE OK
- h. His father was not an attractive man. TRUE OK
- i. His paternal grandmother died before h was born. FALSE OK
- j. His father's accident affected his life. TRUE OK

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Paraphrase explaining the following sentences: (2.50 points each one)

1. When I look back on my childhood, I wonder how I survived at all.
(second paragraph)

.....He said that he had a miserable childhood 1Looking back at his early years, it's hard to understand how I did come/managed.

2. Like his father before, he grew up to be in trouble with the English, or the Irish, or both. (fifth paragraph)

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Listening (15pts total)

Listen to the radio discussion with Janet Wood, an organisation consultant and decide if these sentences are true (T) or false (F). Correct the incorrect sentences. (2 pts each)

1 Organisations with tall structures can change and innovate fast. _F_ OK

Generally it change low innovation.

2 Bob and Genevieve Gore started their company in the 1960s _F__OK

BILL and Genevieve Gore started their company in 1950s.

3 Employees voted to decide who should be the CEO of Gore. __T__OK

4 "Holacracy" is a system without traditional managers. _TRUE__OK

5 All the functions at Zappos are now done by teams. _TRUE__ OK

Now choose the correct option. (2,5 each)

1 Janet Wood seems

- ✓ A critical of hierarchies. TRUE
- B positive about hierarchies. FALSE
- C sceptical about flat structures. TRUE

2 Which statements about W.L. Gore is true?

- A Employees work in teams of 30. FALSE
- ✓ B Staff are called associates. TRUE
- C Nobody in the company has a job title. TRUE

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Writing (20pts total)

Write a paragraph of about 130 words. Choose one among the following topics:

A situation where you helped someone unexpectedly

A surprising event during a meeting

An experience with teamwork that was successful or stressful

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Speaking (20pts total)

Student should talk about

First Impressions at work

Common Problems on Projects

New ideas in business

Picture anecdote

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