**ERASMUS EXAM SAMPLE QUESTIONS**

**SECTION I– LISTENING COMPREHENSION**

**Listen to a podcast about dyslexia (4.18 mins). Choose the correct option while listening. You have 60 seconds to look through the questions before the listening starts.**

1) What is the professor's department or subject area?

a. business

b. learning disabilities

c. medicine

d. psychology

2) People with dyslexia often have problems with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

a. understanding speech

b. sticking with things

c. making decisions

d. recognizing words

**SECTION II-READING COMPREHENSION**

**WORKAHOLISM**

**P1** By definition, a workaholic is a person who suffers from workaholism, coined from "work" + "aholic", meaning addicted to something. Workaholics work a lot of the time, for very long hours, and have difficulty not working. It is a kind of obsessive compulsive disorder. Workaholism is a progressive disease, and the most socially accepted addiction in modern society. Our society is pushing us more and more towards workaholism and at the same time asking us not to be addicted to drugs!

**P2** In very rare cases workaholism goes hand in hand with alcoholism and drug abuse. If you believe that workaholism is associated with other types of addiction, you are mostly incorrect since, interestingly, it is associated with people who practice sports, hobbies, fitness, housework or volunteering.

**P3** I need to point out that the term workaholic is very often used inaccurately, to describe an energetic person who devotes a lot of time to work. Simply, it's not true. If that person has good relations with his family, co- workers and friends, taking pleasure on a regular basis, knows how to rest well, and refuses to work on weekends from home or at work, it would be wrong to say that this person is a workaholic. Rather that person could be considered a hardworking person. In our everyday life, it is not so easy to recognize and understand a workaholic person. To recognize someone who is a workaholic is not so easy because of many misconceptions about workaholism. It may take a long time to understand that.

1. The author’s primary purpose is to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. teach readers how we can help workaholic people
3. persuade people not to work over-time and protect their rights
4. inform readers about the philosophy of workaholism
5. give a broad definition of workaholism and workaholic people
6. Based on the information given in paragraph 2 and 3, which one of the following is more likely to be considered a workaholic?
7. an alcoholic who devotes a lot of time to work
8. a person who has hobbies but works to death
9. a drug addict who doesn’t like his job but works
10. a person who works part time and is ambitious

**SECTION III – LANGUAGE IN USE**

**Read the following texts and choose the correct answer for each question.**

**PART A: STRUCTURE**

Meteorologists are able to predict the changes in weather patterns \_\_\_\_\_\_(18) using several different tools. They use these tools to measure atmospheric conditions \_\_\_\_\_(19) in the past and they apply this information \_\_\_\_\_\_(20) create educated guesses about the future weather.

18) a) by b) on c) for d) in

19) a) that were occurred b) being occurred c) that occurred d) where occurred

20) a) in order to b) for c) so that d) since

**PART B: VOCABULARY**

There is a lot to talk about the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Most of this talk makes it sound like it is \_\_\_\_\_(28) but this is really not the case. There are only two things that you have to worry about, one is your diet and the other is exercise. The main reason why exercise will help you to live a healthy lifestyle is that your body needs exercise to \_\_\_\_\_(29) strong.

28) a) complex b) confused c) coherent d) contrary

29) a) expand b) remain c) promote d) devote

**SECTION IV: WRITING**

**Choose ONE of the topics below and write an essay of about 300-350 words. Give specific reasons and examples.**

What are the causes of overpopulation in big cities and how does this affect city residents in return?