

KEY

a) 5 pts;

Wrong explanation -1pt, Wrong spelling of two to four words -0.5pt, Mostly wrong spelling -1pt

- 1. chronic (adj.) an illness that continues for a long time, that always comes back, persistent
- 2 invariably (adv.) always or almost always, most definitely, inevitably, unfailingly,
- 3. harmful (adj.) having a bad effect on something or on someone's health
- 4. restrict (v.) prevent, doesn't allow, keep within particular limits
- 5. outnumber (v.) there are more women, for every 4 women there is one man

b) 5 pts; each answer - 0.5

- 1. ageing process
- 2. chronic diseases [genetic disease]
- 3. environmental factors
- 4. genetic condition
- 5. genetic factors [chronic factors]
- 6. impossible achievement
- 7. long life
- 8. old age
- 9. scientific studies
- 10. surprising result

c) 5 pts; possible answers

- 1. ageing process
- 2. scientific studies
- 3. surprising result / impossible achievement
- 4. long life / old age
- 5. impossible achievement

d) 10 pts;

Partial answers -1pt;

Serious grammar mistakes – no auxiliary, wrong past participle -1pt;

Consistently wrong spelling within the exercise -2 pt

Wrong spelling of more than 3 words within 1 answer -0.5

5th question: all five listed = 2pts, 3 or 4 listed = 1.5pt, 2 listed 1pt, only one = 0.5pt

- 1. The term refers to healthy people over 80 who have no chronic diseases and have never taken medication for them.
- 2. They doubt that diet and lifestyle are the keys to old age. They think that genes are more responsible for old age.

- 3. Laron syndrome is a genetic condition which restricts the individual's growth but it also seems to protect them against both cancer and diabetes. It shows that there is a genetic reason for old age.
- 4. It showed unexpected old age patterns. There were genetic factors which seemed to benefit the men more than the women.
- 5. Dieting, avoiding alcohol and cigarettes, environmental factors, genes and luck which is beyond our control.

Other logical, correct and complete answers are accepted.

II 10 pts

- 1. will have cut down
- 2. am not used to driving / am getting used to
- 3. turned out to be
- 4. the day and at
- 5. older you get, the worse
- 6. John nor I passed / of us passed
- 7. wish I had gone to/had visited
- 8. I had been sitting / I had been
- 9. still has not finished
- 10. do not need to buy/need not buy/ do not need

III 5 pts

1. first 2. third 3. half 4. three 5. one

IV 10 pts;

Significantly fewer or more than 50 words -3 pts, Serious grammar mistakes: no sequence of tenses, wrong usage of if-clauses, N-V agreement.. -1pt Consistently wrong spelling throughout the paragraph -2 pt Occasionally wrong spelling, 3-4 words, -0.5

Total 50 pts

^{*}All logical, correctly written answers are accepted.