

INSTITUT METANOIA

6TH FORMS (ALL)

ENGLISH EXERCICES

SELECTED FROM STATE EXAMS

Instructions :

1. Read the text twice or thrice before answering ;
2. Choose from 1 to 5. In case there is no answer choose 6.
3. Never choose two answers for one question. Choose 6 if it is the case.

5 Science and technology have changed the world. We enjoy their many benefits such as better health, new forms of entertainment, speedy means of communication, a wide variety of goods and services ; in short: a high standard of living. But those advantages have to be paid by a strict daily routine.

10 Everybody seems to be tied to the clock ; people clock in and out. Workers on the assembly line are chained to the steady rhythm of the conveyer-belt. They fix six screws a minute or drive eight nails into a board, have a fifteen seconds' rest, and go on with another set of screw or nails, and this for hours on end, today, tomorrow, six days a week. Slaughterers kill an ox every minute or so. Office workers may take 15 it a bit easier, but, apparently, they have got their own daily routine. You see them rise early to catch the daily bus, hurry into their offices, file papers or do some similar work for eight hours a day in order to catch the bus home to supper, television, and bed. 20 Executives and officials work against the clock. In fact, most of us have to work according to schedule and this puts an undue strain upon our lives.

25 In former times, a shoemaker made but a few pairs of shoes a day. He made every bit of each shoe himself and rejoiced in the finished product which was entirely of his own making. Today, you perform a limited number of simple tasks and you repeat them over and over again. You cannot rejoice in putting together hundreds of radio sets because your share 30 in each set is limited to six screws or nuts ; it's no pleasure to drive thousands of nails into board, or kill oxen for hours on end.

35 You might imagine that life would become somewhat more interesting if you left the manual level to enter the vast crowds of office workers, but you'd soon find out that the office chains you to its own dreadful routine of an endless series of uniform simple tasks.

40 You might climb up the social ladder, if you are able to, and conclude that higher responsibilities imply a large number of highly repetitive tasks and even more stress.

1. The advantages of science and technology :
 1. Castnothing
 2. Are inexpensive
 3. Have to bepaid for
 4. Cannot bepaid for
 5. Making social progress

2. In this modern world :
 1. Time does not matter at all
 2. Everybody is tied to the clock
 3. Nobody works according to schedule
 4. Few people bother about time
 5. No answer

3. Modern workers have adaily routine whichis
 1. Rather dull
 2. Very exciting
 3. Advantageous
 4. Unbearable
 5. Dangerous

4. Constant hurry and repetitive tasks :
 1. Are a source of pleasure
 2. Cause undue strain
 3. Don't affect any body's health
 4. Improve our health
 5. Prove our health

5. Workers on an assembly line :
 1. Can't finish as many articles a day as an old-time shoemaker
 2. Don't enjoy their work as much as an old-time shoemaker.
 3. Don't make as much money as an old-time shoemaker
 4. Don't envy the work of an old-time shoemaker
 5. Enjoy their work every day.

6. Office workers :
 1. Don't perform repetitive tasks
 2. Perform the same tasks over and over again
 3. Have a highly enjoy able routine
 4. Are not tied to any routine
 5. Routine is a good technology

7. Higher responsibilities :
 1. Are not necessarily less repetitive and stress full
 2. Do not imply repetitive tasks, but are still very stressful.
 3. Put an undue stress upon us and are there forunbearable.
 4. Are not unpleasant, although repetitive
 5. No responsibility.

8. "Entertainment" in the first paragraph means :
 1. Public performance
 2. Health performance
 3. Science performance
 4. Economic performance
 5. Political performance

9. The title which suits best the text is:
 1. Work of science
 2. Work of technology
 3. Public health
 4. The tyranny of work
 5. Science and technology

10. I came here.....Sunday and manday.
An appropriate preposition for the here above is :
 1. In
 2. On
 3. Between
 4. At
 5. For

11. Although he is poor, he is honest. Although expresses :

