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The Second Term English Language Test

Reading.

A. Comprehension.

Read the passage below then do the activities that follow.

A carbon footprint refers to the total amount of greenhouse gases (methane, carbon dioxide and nitrous oxide gases) that are generated by human actions. The products we use, what we eat, and how we travel are some ways we contribute to greenhouse emissions. **We** can all lower our individual carbon footprints by making a conscious decision to use eco-friendly or sustainable products.

Eco-friendly products refer to products that have less negative environmental impacts. **They** are made from all-natural or organic ingredients. Sustainable products also come in biodegradable, compostable, or recyclable packaging. They stand apart from their conventional counterparts by minimizing their negative impact on the planet throughout their lifecycle. From sourcing to production, packaging, and disposal, every stage is meticulously evaluated to reduce environmental burdens.

The benefits of switching to eco-friendly products extend beyond environmental conservation. Many boast superior health benefits, as they avoid harmful ingredients often found in conventional products. Furthermore, supporting eco-conscious businesses empowers responsible practices and encourages innovation in sustainable solutions.

Adapted from The Shroom Company
https://www.tubshroom.com/blogs/tips/sustainable-products

1. ***Say whether the following statements are 'true' or 'false'.***
   - **a.** Human actions contribute to greenhouse gases emissions. …….
   - **b.** None of the eco-friendly products' packaging can be recycled. …….
   - **c.** Using sustainable products endangers people's health. …….
2. ***Identify the paragraph in which the following idea is mentioned.***
   "Traditional products contain more harmful components than eco-friendly ones."
3. ***Answer the following questions according to the text.***
   - **a.** Is it possible to lessen our carbon footprints? Justify.
     ……
   - **b.** How are sustainable products different from conventional ones?
     ……
   - **c.** Mention some benefits of switching to eco-friendly products.
     ……
4. ***Who or what do the underlined words refer to in the text?***

a. We (§1) ⟶ …… **b.** They (§2) ⟶ ……

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B. Text Exploration.

1. ***Find words that are closest in meaning to the following.***

a. damaging (§1) = …….. **b.** preservation (§2) =…….

2. ***Complete the table as shown in the example.***

	Verb	Noun	Adjective
Example:	to protect	protection	protected
	……	……..	polluted
	to waste	……..	……...

3. ***Complete sentence 'b' so that it means the same as sentence 'a'.***

1) a. Many gases endanger the planet's atmosphere.

b. the planet's atmosphere……

2) a. Our environment has been damaged by man-made catastrophes.

b. Man-made catastrophes……

4. ***Fill in the blanks with words from the list given.***

resources – beneficial – wisely - protects

Sustainability improves the quality of our lives, ……..... our ecosystems, and conserves natural ……... for future generations. Sustainability is ……... for everyone and the environment. It also helps to use resources …….. without unnecessary use and without sacrificing our future.

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