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Part1 Reading (15 pts) 2015/2016.

A/Comprehension (8pts)

Read the text carefully then do the activities.

A counterfeit drug or a counterfeit medicine is a medication which is produced and sold with the intent to deceptively represent its origin or effectiveness. The common street word for counterfeit drug is "bead bag". Such a product may not contain a sufficient amount of active ingredients or contains entirely incorrect ones.

People who apply a counterfeit medication may experience a number of dangerous consequence to their health, such as unexpected side effects, allergic reactions or a worsening of their condition. Many counterfeits contain inert substances which do not provide the patient any treatment benefits. On the contrary, they may be hazardous.

It is estimated that upward of 10% of drugs worldwide are counterfeit, and in some countries more than 50% of the drug supply is made up of counterfeit drugs. Furthermore, the World Heath Organization estimates that the annual earning of counterfeit drugs are over $32 billion.

There are several technologies to help combating this problem, such as radio frequency identification which uses electronic devices to identify pharmaceutical products. A new technique, Raman spectroscopy can be used to discover counterfeit drugs while they are still in their packaging.

According to the latest researches, India stands as the first country in fake drug manufacture. 75% of counterfeit medicines in the world have their origins in India, followed by 07 % from Egypt and 06 % from China. In the case if India, it is against the law to make drugs for domestic use, and it is not against the law to make them for export.

Adapted from: http://www.wikipedia-co.uk/

1. Choose the answer (a, b, c) that best completes the statement .

The aim of the text is: .....

a) to give opinion b) to discuss a point c) to inform

2. Are the following statements true or false?

a) Counterfeit medicines are effective.
b) Substances in fake drugs can be dangerous.
c) Half of the counterfeit drugs come from India.
d) In India it is legal to make drugs for domestic use.

3. In which paragraph are the methods of combating counterfeit drugs mentioned?

4. Answer the following questions according to the text.

a) How is counterfeit drug commonly called?
b) What are the effects of fake drugs on people who use them?
c) What technical methods are used to fight counterfeit medicine?
d) Does India export fake drugs?

5. Choose the suitable title for the text.

a) India and Counterfeit Drugs
b) Counterfeit Medicine
c) Medicine in the World

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B/TextExploration(8pts)

1.Match each word with its definition.

1. side-effects	a- tools or machines designed to perform a certain task.
2. earning	b- undesirable secondary consequences produced by something.
3. devices	c- money gained as a profit from employment or investment

2. Add the right prefix to each of the following words to get their opposites.

a) active b) legal c) honest d) agree

3. Give the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

a) Your medical condition (to improve) provided that you (not to take) fake drugs anymore.
b) It's high time our government (to stop) importing counterfeit medicine.

4. Underline the silent letters in the following words.

a) honest b) counterfeit c) harmful d) right

5. Fill in the blanks with 4 words from the list.

Bought – make - drugs- for – but - exported – Internet

Many counterfeit ..... sold in the Third World or on the ..... originate in India, However, The State Food And Drug Administration is not responsible ..... pharmaceutical Ingredients which are manufactured and ..... By chemical companies. It works at the domestic level.

Part2. Written Expression. (5pts)

Write a composition of about 80 words on one of the following topics.

Topic One.

A friend of yours uses counterfeit medication because it is cheaper. She / He also thinks that it has no serious effects.

Write a paragraph in which you try to convince her / him that she / he is wrong. (You can use information and statistics from the text to persuade her / him).

Topic Two.

An Indian pharmaceutical company wants to open business in Mascara. The company makes counterfeit medicine. Write a letter to the local authorities to protest against this practice. Mention the dangers and the consequences the company may cause.

-Respect the layout (form) of the letter .

Good Luck.

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