

[1] A selfie is a self-portrait photo taken with a digital camera or camera phone held in the hand or supported by a stick. Selfies are often posted on social networking services such as Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. The photo messaging application Snapchat is also largely used to send selfies. The term "selfie" was first used in January 2011 by Jennifer Lee, a lifestyle coach.

[2] Initially popular among young people, selfies have gained wider popularity over time. A survey conducted by Samsung found that they constitute 30% of the photos taken by people aged 18-24. In a society in which images have become a growing means of communication, it has become accepted, and almost expected, for people to post selfies.

[3] Many people send selfies to give a pleasing image of themselves and display their physical portraits. Some users of Snapchat choose to send intentionally unattractive selfies to their friends for comic purposes. For Patricia Wallace, author of *The Psychology of the Internet*, some people may just use **them** to share a funny or spontaneous moment with others.



[4] However, according to Zlatan Krizan, a professor of psychology at Iowa State University, people may engage in dangerous activities to take a selfie that attracts attention. In the USA, a 32-year-old woman from North Carolina was driving when her vehicle hit a tree and burst into flames moments after posting selfies online. Luckily, **the driver** was unharmed. A 21-year-old Spanish man died from electrocution after climbing on top of a train to take a selfie. In Russia, a teenager died while trying to take a selfie on a railway bridge.

[5] Anabel Quan-Haase, a professor at the University of Western Ontario, points out that "as a society, we have moved toward a new type of Net Visual Culture, where we are attracted by pictures of others and descriptions of events. We want to show people what our lives are like. Sometimes, this can be achieved only through taking risks". Given the number of selfie-related injuries and deaths occurring recently in different countries, it is a must for officials to launch campaigns to warn people of the dangers of taking selfies.

GRAMMAR

(15pts)

A.MATCH THE SENTENCE HALVES:

(2pts)

- A** 1. You can do it .
- 2.you `ve got to do it .
- 3.you don't have to do it .
- 4. you 're not allowed to do it .

- B** 1. If you don't want to
- 2. If you want to
- 3.because it's compulsory
- 4. Because it 's forbidden

B.REPLACE THE PHRASES IN BOLD WITH AN APPROPRIATE modal VERB

(2pts)

1. It **isn't necessary for us to** buy a ticket in advance.

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2. Is it **necessary for me to** fill in both forms?

.....

3 . At my school it is **compulsory to** wear a uniform

.....

4. It 's **not compulsory** to wear your seatbelt all the time when you are flying , But it is the best thing

C. CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER:

(3pts)

- 1. My last job was really easy. I **had to/didn't have to** work very hard.
- 2.My school was really liberal. We **could /couldn't** do what we wanted.
- 3.Vera's parents were very strict.she **was/wasn't** allowed to go out in the evening.
- 4.Women in the 19th century didn't have many rights. They **could /couldn't** vote.
- 5.When I was in the army I **had to/didn't have to** wear a uniform.
- 6.My last boss was a complete tyrant. I **had to /didn't have to** work ridiculous hours.

D. FILL IN THE BLANK WITH THE WORD FROM THE list:

(1.5PTS)

let down / get in / point out / see off / end up

- 1. Be sure that your parent neveryou.....
- 2. He didn't wait to..... for France when he got a visa.
- 3. Much of this meal will probably a s dog food.

E.MATCH THE ADVERBS(1 5)WITH THEIR OPPOSITES IN THE LIST: (2.5PTS)

Accidentally / furiously / carelessly / enthusiastically / gradually

1. He would **carefully** choose tea bowls and pots and so on.
2. **Suddenly, he** noticed that Rikyu's garden was full of these fantastic flowers.
3. He asked Rikyu to hold a tea ceremony, and Rikyu agreed **reluctantly**.
4. Rikyu **deliberately** cut down all the flowers!
5. Rikyu was just sitting there **calmly**, waiting to make tea for him.

F.PUT THE VERBS IN BRACKETS INTO THE CORRECT FUTURE TENSES

-will- future, going to-future, present progressive: (2PTS).

1. We (to have)dinner at a nice restaurant ,but we haven't booked a table yet
2. My ski instructor believes it (to snow)..... in the mountains tomorrow evening.
3. This time tomorrow we (to drive)to York.
4. The students (to write)their essays by the end of next week.

G. COMPLETE THE SENTENCES WITH THESE WORDS: (2pts)

Stretched - waterproof - stretched - layers - destruction

1. Something must be done to stop theof the ozone layer.
2. Take some.....clothing if you're going on a walking holiday in Scotland!
3. My tracksuit trousers seem to be too long for me. Do you think they've.....?
4. It's better to wear several..... Of clothing when you go Mountaineering.

COMPREHENSION:

(15POINTS)

A. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING CHART:

(3PTS)

<u>MAINIDEA</u>	<u>PARAGRAPHNUMBER</u>
a-REASONS FOR TAKING SELFIES
b-Difinition of a selfie
c- Examples of selfie accidents
d- Quan-Haase’s views on selfies 5

B. ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS:

(4PTS)

1. WHAT DID THE SURVEY CONDUCTED BY SUMSUNG SHOW)?

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2. NAME TWO PURPOSES FOR POSTING SELFIES:

a-

b-

3.HOW DID THE SPANISH MAN LOSE HIS WIFE?

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C. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES :

(3pts)

1. It was in 2011 THAT JENIFER LEE.....

2. Warning people of the dangers of taking selfies can limit.....

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3. In a society of a Net Visual Culture, people

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D. FIND IN THE TEXT WORDS WHICH MEAN ALMOST THE SAME AS: (3PTS)

1. trainer (paragraph1).....

2. electric shock (paragraph4).....

3. to start (paragraph5).....

E. WHAT DO THE UNDERLINED WORDS IN THE TEXTS REFER TO? : (2Pts)

1. them (paragraph3).....

2. the driver (paragraph4).....

