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ETAPA LOCALA  
CLASA A VII-A**

**VARIANTA 1**

**I**

**Read the text " Charlie Chaplin-the early years". Read the sentences and decide if the sentences are true or false. Write T or F on your answer sheet.**

One evening soon after Charlie's fifth birthday, his mother was singing in a music hall near an army camp in London. She had to take Charlie with her to the theatre as she could not find anyone to take care of him. Charlie was standing in the wings watching his mother singing an Irish song on stage when suddenly her voice cracked and went into a whisper. She tried to finish the song but the audience began to whistle loudly. Mrs.Chaplin could not continue any longer and walked off the stage crying.

The stage was now empty and the audience were getting more and more angry. The stage manager knew that he had to do something quickly. Somebody had to go on the stage and entertain the audience...but who? He looked down at Charlie and remembered that he had once seen the boy entertaining some of Mrs. Chaplin's friends at a party.The stage manager took Charlie's hand and let him onto the stage, where - after a few brief words of introduction - he left the little boy alone in front of the puzzled audience.

In the glare of the footlights and in front of hundreds of people, Charlie began to sing , accompanied by the orchestra. The audience found the spectacle of the little boy singing in the middle of the large stage wonderful. They liked it so much that half-way to the song they started throwing money onto the stage. Seeing a shower of money landing all around him, Charlie immediately stopped singing and announced that he would first pick up the money and then finish the song. The audience found this announcement very funny and threw more money onto the stage.

Charlie felt perfectly at home on stage.He did not feel shy at all and danced and sang some more songs for the audience. One of the songs he happened to choose was the Irish song his mother had tried so unsuccessfully to sing earlier that evening, As Charlie sang, in all innocence, his voice sounded like his mother's, cracking and going into a whisper. To his surprise, the audience found this extremely funny and there was tremendous laughter and more money-throwing. When his mother came on to carry her little son off the stage, there was thunderous applause. That night was Charlie's first appearance on the stage and his mother's last.

1. Charlie was watching his mother singing an Italian song.
2. When Charlie's mother couldn't continue singing the audience applauded loudly.
- 3.The stage manager suddenly realised that Charlie could entertain the public.
4. Charlie started to sing in front of a few people.
5. Charlie made the audience throw money onto the stage.
- 6.The audience threw more money when Charlie stopped singing to pick up the money.
7. Charlie was very nervous on stage.
8. He imitated his mother's voice cracking on purpose.
9. The audience were very amused by Charlie singing his mother's song.
10. Charlie's mother never appeared on stage again.

**(25 points)**

## II

Each of the following sentence/pair of sentences has a mistake. Write the correct sentences on your answer sheet.

1. She was walking home when she has found a kitten in the street.
2. At this time yesterday I listened to my favourite music on my car radio.
3. Jack`ll phone his mother when he will reach Paris.
4. There is not someone in the kitchen.
5. Tom is as much clever as David.
6. He told us do not touch the wire.
7. We spend a weekend in Prague next month; we've just bought our flight tickets.
- 8.They are working in this team for three months.
- 9 They asked us where was the museum.
- 10.This is the man who I bought the apples from him.

(25 points)

## III

Read the text below and decide which word/ group of words best fits each numbered space.

### Life on the farm

I was (1).....by my uncle and aunt and grew up on a small farm in the west of England. I think it was better(2).....living in a city, because every day I (3).....about in the open air.(4).....I went to school, I (5)..... play on the farm all day. (6).....my aunt and uncle worked with animals, and although they worked very (7)....., they always explained interesting things to me. They didn't have (8).....money, but they (9)..... well with everybody, and we didn't have(10).....of the problems of living in the city. I always felt happy on the farm.

1.	A lived up to	B taken after	C grown up	D brought up
2.	A as	B more	C than	D the
3.	A used to run	B was running	C have run	D run
4.	A By	B In time	C Since	D Until
5.	A should	B could	C was able to	D had to
6.	A Either	B Both	C Neither	D All
7.	A hardly	B harder	C hard	D hardest
8.	A much	B lots	C many	D too
9.	A getting along	B get along	C got along	D were getting along
10	A none	B any	C no	D some

(25points)

IV Write a story beginning with the following sentence: "It all began on Saturday morning when Mike heard the phone ringing." Give your story a title. Write between 120-150 words.

(25 points)

Notă: Toate subiectele sunt obligatorii. Timp de lucru: 2 ore.

