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 Winter/Spring Term Writing Test in English Class ..... Level .....  
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**Exercise 1: Write an email to your new keypal and present yourself (40 words). ( / 5p).**

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**Exercise 2: Fill in the sentences with the correct form of the word given. ( / 5p)**

- 1) Mary looks very fit because she \_\_\_\_\_ (take) a lot of exercise these days.
- 2) Mary \_\_\_\_\_ (not know) how to swim.
- 3) What \_\_\_\_\_ (this word - mean)?
- 4) There are some things you \_\_\_\_\_ (not need) to know.
- 5) Mr and Mrs Smith \_\_\_\_\_ (not fly) to Mexico tomorrow.

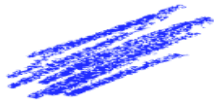
**Exercise 3: Complete with a suitable word from the box. There are two extra words. ( / 6p)**

character - behind - blurb - talented - borrow - taste - cover - ordinary

- 1) Dorothy and I have the same \_\_\_\_\_ in music.
- 2) Read the \_\_\_\_\_ to see what the book is about.
- 3) Can you see the title of the book on the \_\_\_\_\_?
- 4) He is an \_\_\_\_\_ thirteen-year-old boy.
- 5) Don't let yourself fall \_\_\_\_\_ with your school work.
- 6) I usually \_\_\_\_\_ books from the library, because I like reading.

**Exercise 5: Read the text below and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for items 1-4. ( / 4p)**

The cardinal is a beautiful bird found in North America. It is an active, medium-sized bird that is often found in backyards, parks, and even cities. The male is bright red with a black mask and small crest. The



female is light brown with red feathers on her crest and wings. Both the male and female have thick bills for cracking seeds! Cardinals are members of the finch family. Males and females mate for life and often stay in the same area year-round.

Did you know that the cardinal is the official bird of seven different states? Two professional sports teams are called the "cardinals," and several college sports teams are called the "cardinals."

1. How does the passage tell you that cardinals eat seeds?

- A. By describing their colors
- B. By describing where they live
- C. By describing the size of their bills
- D. By describing their feathers

2. Which adjective is NOT used by the author in describing the cardinal?

- A. bright
- B. beautiful
- C. active
- D. happy

3. Which is not true?

- A. Male and female cardinals look the same
- B. Cardinals mate for life
- C. Cardinals can be found in backyards
- D. Some college sports teams are named "cardinals."

4. How are male and female cardinals alike?

- A. They are both bright red.
- B. They are both light brown
- C. They have thick bills
- D. They are both large-sized birds

**Relax and... enjoy your test**