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Option A

LADY GAGA

- Lady Gaga came to prominence following the release of her debut studio album *The Fame* and sold over 15 million copies worldwide. The album earned her six Grammy nominations and two wins as well as a slew of other awards.
- She is also the only artist in the digital era to top the 5 million sales mark with her first two hits. Gaga broke the record when her single 'Poker Face' reached 5 million in sales after her debut single 'Just Dance' accomplished the same feat the year before. She is also a staple in the social networking world. She's one of the biggest living people on 10 Facebook with over 33 million 'likes' and is #1 on Twitter with over 9.5 million followers.

Gaga is well-recognized for her outré sense of style as a recording artist, in fashion, in performance and in her music videos. Her contributions to the music industry have garnered her numerous 15 achievements including the Grammy Awards, two Guinness World Records and the estimated sale of 15 million albums and 51 million singles worldwide. *Billboard* named her both the '2010 Artist of the Year' and the top selling artist of 2010. Gaga has been included in *Time*'s annual list of the most influential people in the world as well as Forbes' list of the 'The World's Most Powerful Celebrities' in the world.

QUESTIONS

[1] Answer the following question according to the text and $\underline{\text{using your}}$ $\underline{\text{own words}}$ (10 to 20 words) (2 points).

Why is Lady Gaga well known?

- [2] ARE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS TRUE OR FALSE? INDICATE THE LINE(S) IN THE TEXT AND COPY THE FIRST 2 WORDS AND THE LAST TWO WORDS SUPPORTING YOUR CHOICE (1.5 POINTS AS A WHOLE: 0.5 EACH).
 - 2.1. Lady Gaga headed sales records in the digital era with her first two singles.
 - 2.2. Her single 'Just Dance' reached five million dollars in sales.
 - 2.3. Lady Gaga is said to be one of the most influential people worldwide.

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[3] CHOOSE a, b OR c. ONLY ONE CHOICE IS CORRECT ACCORDING TO THE TEXT (0.5 POINTS).

Lady Gaga became important...

- a) after her first studio album was published.
- b) because she sold many music copies.
- c) for her concerts.
- [4] VOCABULARY (2 POINTS AS A WHOLE: 0.4EACH).
 - Find one word in the text for each of the following meanings:
 - a) the choices of someone as a candidate for receiving an award
 - **b)** artistic presentation
 - Find synonyms in the text for each of the words below:
 - c) launch
 - d) supporters
 - e) approximated
- [5] COMPLETE TASKS a AND b ACCORDING TO THE INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN (1 POINT AS A WHOLE: 0.5 EACH).
 - **5.1.** Write a question for which the underlined words are the answer: <u>Her</u> contributions to the music industry have garnered her numerous achievements.
 - **5.2 Put into the passive:** *Billboard* named her both the '2010 Artist of the Year' and the top selling artist of 2010.
- [6] WRITE ABOUT THE FOLLOWING TOPIC USING BETWEEN 100-120 WORDS (3 POINTS).

Do you like going to live concerts? Why?

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Option B

CROCODILE TEARS

To shed crocodile tears is to put on an insincere act of being sad. The expression is very old in the English language, dating back to the sixteenth century. An account of the life of Edmund Grindal, Archbishop of Canterbury, quotes him as describing somebody's tears as "crocodile tears". It stems from the ancient belief that crocodiles, in order to attract their prey, would weep. The unsuspecting prey would come close, only to be caught and rapidly devoured, again with a show of tears.

The crocodile's habit of weeping has been recorded in travel narratives since 1400. But can a crocodile really weep? The experts say 10 yes; they have tear glands just like most other animals. And zoologists have recorded alligators, close relatives of crocodiles, shedding tears while they're eating. This may be significant; the shedding of tears surely doesn't happen for emotional motives but because of the way crocodiles and alligators eat. When eating their prey, they often blow out air, and 15 their tear glands empty at the same time.

In any case, the idea of their tears being false has frequently been used in literature, cementing this idiom in the language and, consequently, crocodiles' reputation as hypocrites.

QUESTIONS

[1] Answer the following question according to the text and $\underline{\text{using your}}$ own words (10 to 20 words) (2 points).

Why do you think Edmund Grindal described somebody's tears as 'crocodile tears'?

- [2] ARE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS TRUE OR FALSE? INDICATE THE LINE(S) IN THE TEXT AND COPY THE FIRST 2 WORDS AND THE LAST TWO WORDS SUPPORTING YOUR CHOICE (1.5 POINTS AS A WHOLE: 0.5 EACH).
 - 2.1. 'Crocodile tears' is not a recent idiom in English.
 - 2.2. For centuries people have believed that crocodiles use tears as a trick for hunting.
 - 2.3. Alligators have nothing to do at all with crocodiles.

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- [3] CHOOSE a, b OR c. ONLY ONE CHOICE IS CORRECT ACCORDING TO THE TEXT (0.5 POINTS).
 - a) Crocodiles can weep.
 - b) Crocodiles get very emotional when eating.
 - c) The crocodile's habit of weeping has been recorded in historic naval fiction.
- [4] VOCABULARY (2 POINTS AS A WHOLE: 0.4EACH).
 - Find one word in the text for each of the following meanings:
 - a) experts in the scientific study of animals
 - b) establishing something firmly; strengthening
 - Find synonyms in the text for each of the words below:
 - c) unhappy
 - **d**) reasons
 - e) therefore
- [5] COMPLETE TASKS a AND b ACCORDING TO THE INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN (1 POINT AS A WHOLE: 0.5 EACH).
 - **5.1.** Complete: If a zebra comes near a crocodile-infested river...
 - **5.2. Transform into reported speech:** 'These men's tears are nothing but crocodiles tears.' **Begin with**: The Archbishop wrote that ...
- [6] WRITE ABOUT THE FOLLOWING TOPIC USING BETWEEN 100-120 WORDS (3 POINTS).

Write about behaviour or behaviours you would describe as hypocritical.