**Supply articles for the spaces marked:**

1. We are seldom sympathetic to \_\_\_\_\_ people with financial problems.

2. Immense skill is needed to use \_\_\_\_\_ surgical instrument.

3. If he’d had \_\_\_\_\_ good map, he wouldn’t have lost his way.

4. \_\_\_\_\_ Renaissance music is especially fascinating.

5a. \_\_\_\_\_ T/thought is conditioned by \_\_\_\_\_ language to such an extent that people are not even aware of \_\_\_\_\_ fact.

5b. \_\_\_\_\_ L/language allows \_\_\_\_\_ particular society to preserve its history and memory.

6a. \_\_\_\_\_ P/practical knowledge necessarily depends on \_\_\_\_\_ theoretical knowledge.

6b. \_\_\_\_\_ T/theoretical knowledge that we acquire at university can leave us ill-prepared for \_\_\_\_\_ real life.

6c. \_\_\_\_\_ clear understanding of exposure, combined with \_\_\_\_\_ good knowledge of how your own camera or light meter operates, will help you record \_\_\_\_\_ twilight scenes the way you want them recorded.

7a. \_\_\_\_\_ P/poetry of William Blake is readily accessible.

7b. It's unlikely to be \_\_\_\_\_ news to \_\_\_\_\_ general reader that Seamus Heaney was \_\_\_\_\_ distinguished translator of \_\_\_\_\_ medieval poetry.

8a. The economic dislocation and \_\_\_\_\_ violence that accompanied \_\_\_\_\_ Civil War affected migrant and minority groups in different ways.

8b. \_\_\_\_\_V/violence shown on \_\_\_\_\_ TV is often excessive.

9a. \_\_\_\_\_ A/approaches to literary analysis seem to vary from single author studies to broader considerations of methodologies like post-structuralism and intertextuality.

9b. Do \_\_\_\_\_ approaches mentioned above really exclude each other?

10. The time has long passed since \_\_\_\_\_ academic degree guaranteed \_\_\_\_\_ professional success.

**Insert necessary articles into the following passages:**

Pollution is form of environmental contamination resulting from human activity. Some common forms of pollution are wastes from burning of fossil fuels and sewage running into rivers. Even litter and excessive noise can be considered forms of pollution because of impact that they can have on environment.

In recent years, all British universities have adopted semester system. S/semester is period of time which lasts for half academic year. Semester 1, for example, starts in September and finishes in January. Previously academic year had been divided into three terms: autumn, winter and spring. Most courses consist of modules which last for one semester, and exams are held at end of each. Britain began using semesters to make it easier for international students to move from one country to another.

C/compact disc (CD) is optical storage device onto which information has been recorded digitally. In CD recording of sound, sound waves are converted into digital numbers and inscribed on disc. Digital data on disc is read by laser beam, thus eliminating any form of mechanical friction that could distort sound quality. CDs can also be used to store images as well as information. Nevertheless, as smaller and more capacious data storage devices were designed, popularity of CDs plummeted.

**I. If necessary, supply the punctuation in the following sentences.**

1. A subculture is still a culture it is governed by rules as strict as in any society.
2. The music they listened to hunting songs of exotic origin or guitar ballads was tuneful and harmonious.
3. As Mr Jones the owner has demonstrated such a project would benefit everybody.
4. She was willing to help anyone who asked for advice.
5. Some features of our country are especially striking for foreigners who pay attention to even the smallest details of our lives.
6. The traffic in London is terrible which makes buses there very unpunctual.
7. There are times in life when we are faced with two simple alternatives.
8. Everybody knows that such people exist, everybody also knows what they look like.
9. Rigorous academic standards are not always maintained this has not emerged as a major problem in Scotland yet but that is no reason to be complacent.
10. Mexico had a system of civilian control but lacked democratic forms of accountability.
11. It is not surprising that air pollution has become one of the greatest problems nowadays.
12. Brain surgeons in my country who have stressful highly responsible jobs should be paid more.
13. At an early age she decided she wanted to be only one thing in life an actress.
14. Africa is said to be the poorest continent while North America is said to be the most affluent.
15. People argue that because droughts and floods are inevitable when logging trees along a river in accordance with the needs of human civilization focus should be placed on preservation of forests and soil in their original conditions.
16. The number of places is very limited and this makes competition fierce.
17. There would be two examinations the entrance exam very difficult to make sure that the candidates who pass are really appropriate and the second one after five years.
18. Western European politics is more akin to American politics than it used to be.
19. Paper, silk and gunpowder were first manufactured in China where recorded history reaches back 5,000 years.
20. There were a number of factors that aggravated the situation.

**II. Punctuate the following texts:**

The London School of Business is offering three new courses this year economics with psychology introduction to management and e-commerce the first is taught by dr Jennifer Hillary and runs from October to January the second introduction to management class for finance students is offered in the second semester and is assessed by coursework only professor Wang’s course in e-commerce runs in both the autumn and the spring and is intended for more experienced students.

The University of Edinburgh unlike other Scottish universities is composed of colleges there are three of them Sciences and Engineering Humanities and Social Sciences and Medicine and Veterinary Medicine each college covers both undergraduate and graduate programmes of study although students are generally admitted to one college only they may have the opportunity to study subjects of another undergraduate programmes generally last three years or four for honours there is an extensive variety of postgraduate programmes of study including a 9 month diploma a 12 month masters and doctoral research programmes lasting at least 36 months.