

## English Language Contest: Regional Stage. 25 January 2023

### Answer Key

#### I

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|----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. b (lest)                | 11. a (hadn't you)            | 21. d (silver)               |
| 2. b (do they)             | 12. d (than)                  | 22. d (pedestrian)           |
| 3. c (her being taken on)  | 13. b (did we find ourselves) | 23. a (effect, not 'affect') |
| 4. a (Unfit as I am)       | 14. a (would)                 | 24. a (magistrate)           |
| 5. a (to)                  | 15. b (But for)               | 25. d (fringe)               |
| 6. c (—)                   | 16. d (retract)               | 26. c (crude)                |
| 7. c (a hair's breadth)    | 17. a (invigilator)           | 27. a (burning)              |
| 8. d (refrain from adding) | 18. d (innocuous)             | 28. b (wheeze)               |
| 9. d (what)                | 19. a (heavy)                 | 29. c (squander)             |
| 10. d (might)              | 20. b (contagious)            | 30. d (remuneration)         |

#### II

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|----------------------------|------------------|------------|
| 1. in                      | 6. for / towards | 11. down   |
| 2. up                      | 7. into          | 12. about  |
| 3. at (not 'on' or 'upon') | 8. through       | 13. by     |
| 4. off                     | 9. up            | 14. behind |
| 5. to                      | 10. over         | 15. out    |

#### III

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|-----------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. generosity                     | 7. illegible        | 14. favourable / favorable |
| 2. unpredictable                  | 8. significance     | 15. illiterate             |
| 3. endangered                     | 9. edible / eatable | 16. unavoidably            |
| 4. volunteers                     | 10. collision       | 17. proof (not 'proofs')   |
| 5. undoubtedly /<br>doubtless(ly) | 11. eloquently      | 18. simplifying            |
| 6. alike                          | 12. disrespect      | 19. hypocritically         |
|                                   | 13. tendency        | 20. enlarge                |

#### IV

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| 1. b (shifts)      | 6. a (spanned)      | 11. a (account)  |
| 2. d (squinted)    | 7. d (illuminating) | 12. a (default)  |
| 3. a (evidently)   | 8. b (tantalising)  | 13. d (flopping) |
| 4. c (nocturnal)   | 9. c (quirk)        | 14. c (rousing)  |
| 5. c (an imposing) | 10. c (conceivable) | 15. b (tend)     |