

English Language Contest: Regional Stage. 22 January 2025

Answer Key

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| 1. a (on) | 11. b (means) | 21. b (another) |
| 2. c (of) | 12. b (hadn't you) | 22. d (three-year-old) |
| 3. c (borne) | 13. c (when) | 23. a (The Hague) |
| 4. b (which is in the country,) | 14. c (a nice green Italian) | 24. c (laudable) |
| 5. c (so far) | 15. c (control) | 25. b (Notwithstanding) |
| 6. a (—) | 16. d (despite) | 26. a (an impecunious) |
| 7. c (chances) | 17. a (to lie) | 27. b (rein) |
| 8. b (silkiest) | 18. b (theses) | 28. d (hapless) |
| 9. b (too polite a person) | 19. b (soliciting) | 29. a (who like) |
| 10. d (could) | 20. b (ought) | 30. b (lain) |

II

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| 1. up | 6. to | 11. at |
| 2. into | 7. off | 12. from |
| 3. down | 8. away / on | 13. in |
| 4. in | 9. under | 14. for |
| 5. with | 10. on / about | 15. to |

III

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| 1. inaccessible / accessless | 8. flexibility | 15. longevity |
| 2. disapprovingly | 9. provocative / provoking | 16. soften |
| 3. destruction | 10. edition | 17. selflessly / unselfishly |
| 4. wisdom | 11. withdraw | 18. immaterial |
| 5. unspeakably (not
'speechlessly') | 12. unavoidable | 19. surmount |
| 6. familiarise (-ize) | 13. competitiveness (not
'competition') | 20. width |
| 7. irreplaceable | 14. idealistic | |

IV

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| 1. b (change) | 6. c (ashes) | 11. b (resilience) |
| 2. b (vanished) | 7. a (overthrew) | 12. c (get) |
| 3. c (reached) | 8. a (stately) | 13. d (see) |
| 4. a (disappeared) | 9. a (spilled) | 14. b (date) |
| 5. b (debated) | 10. b (inferior) | 15. c (gripping) |