A. Which feeling is expressed by the following phrases? Answer in one word: **Pessimism/Despair**

B. Find in the text the paragraphs and the phrases illustrating:

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<td>3-been housed with my children in a single-room for months /</td>
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<td>4-the only communal space a shared kitchen too small for six people</td>
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<td>4- Par. 5</td>
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C. Find in paragraph 3 two phrases referring to homelessness

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<td>7- (sleep) on a park bench</td>
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D. “It” in “It took seven months” refers to: Waiting to be housed by the council

E. True or False. Justify your answers by quoting a specific phrase from the text

9- Few working couples can afford decent housing in big cities: **True**
Justification: Many working ..., couples are ineligible for what little social housing there is left and, especially in our big cities, they are unable to afford ever-increasing rental costs

10- Renters are well treated by property owners and housing agents: **False**
Justification: Letting agents and landlords are constant reminders that we tenants are guests, possibly unwelcome ones

II. **LINGUISTIC AND COMMUNICATIVE COMPETENCE**

F. Fill in the gaps with the appropriate form of the word in parentheses

(desperate) 11 / (actually) 12. / (comfortable) 13./ (prefer) 14.

G. Wagane and Mossane are having a serious discussion. Wagane is Mossane’s lodger. He decided to raise the rental fees without any prior notice to her. Complete their argument meaningfully.

Wagane: Hi Madam, I hope you are alright.
Mossane: It could be better, thanks.
Wagane: You received the notification about the increase in rental fees, 15. didn’t you?
Mossane: I was not aware 16. Of that How come that you decided alone without 17. Asking / telling me?
Wagane: Anyway, my nephew told me that you received the letter. I wish you had a more positive attitude to information.
Mossane: If I had received the so called letter, I (19) I would not have reacted this way. Anyway I’m not ready to pay a single penny more!
H. Complete the following dialog meaningfully using the correct form of the words given in parentheses:

A: This apartment building is (20) unaffordable! It’s more than my monthly salary!

B: If I (21) were you, I’d try something (22) cheaper.

A: I guess you’re right! On the other hand the housing industry shouldn’t (23) be deregulated/unregulated because low-income workers need protection.

III. WRITING

N.B.: Consider the letter format

Understanding (1 mark)
Originality of ideas (1 mark)
Coherence (1 mark)
Relevance (1 mark)
Consistency (1 mark)
Accuracy (1 mark)