

ANSWER KEY

A. Which feeling is expressed by the following phrases? Answer in **one word**: (1 mark)
Pessimism/Despair

B. -Find in the text the paragraphs and the phrases illustrating: (2 marks)

Situations	Paragraphs	Phrases
Promiscuity	2- Par. 3 Par. 4	3-been housed <u>with my children in a single-room</u> for months / 4-the only communal space a shared kitchen <u>too small for six people</u>
Physical deterioration of housing	4- Par. 5	5-the shower leaked so badly that part of the living room ceiling caved in

C. Find in paragraph 3 two phrases referring to homelessness (2 marks)

Homelessness	6- I had to sleep in my car or
	7- (sleep) on a park bench

D. 8-“It” in “It took seven months” refers to: Waiting to be housed by the council (1 mark)

E. True or False. Justify your answers by quoting a specific phrase from the text (2 marks)

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 (6 marks)

F. Fill in the gaps with the appropriate form of the word in parentheses (2 marks)
(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. (2 marks)

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 18.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!

LANGUE VIVANTE I

H. Complete the following dialog meaningfully using the correct form of the words given in parentheses: (2 marks)

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)