

## MODULE F – TEST THREE

### PART I: ACCESS TO INFORMATION FROM WRITTEN TEXTS (60 points)

Read the reviews below and answer questions 1–3.

#### THIS YEAR'S "COOLEST" GADGETS – THE BEST AND THE WORST!

*You've all seen ads for new machines and devices which are described as the coolest, most useful, most brilliantly designed gadgets on the market – but somehow, when you actually take the plunge and buy one of these products, it rarely lives up to your expectations. We chose ten items that sounded absolutely spectacular, and asked our staff to take them home for a trial run. Their ratings and comments are provided below for your benefit.*



- 1. Light-Up Glasses** — Late at night, when you're searching for something in your bag or trying to read a sign on a poorly-lit street, a portable light would be immensely useful. That's the concept behind these spectacles, which shine a ten-watt light when you put them on. Reviews were mixed: while some of our testers enjoyed this product so much they bought a pair for themselves, others felt blinded by the bright light next to their eyes.

*Manufacturer:* Brightness Corp.     *Price:* \$38     *Ranking:* ★★★☆☆

- 2. The RZ All-In-One Oven / Grill / Microwave** — We couldn't resist this appliance, which was advertised as a money and space saving device that could function successfully as either an oven, grill, or microwave. After cooking (and ruining) a few dinners, however, our staffers were less than enthusiastic. "It didn't do anything well," reported one annoyed tester. "When I used it as an oven, the top of my cake burnt, while the inside stayed raw. When I grilled some steaks, they came out as tough as leather. Moreover, heating up food took approximately three times as long as in a regular microwave!" In short, if you decide to use this oven, you" soon be faced with only two options: eating out or starving.

*Manufacturer:* RZ Electronics     *Price:* \$375     *Ranking:* ☆☆☆☆☆



**3. Read Without Hands** — At first glance, this product seemed to be aimed at the lazy, but after taking a closer look, we realized that this wasn't the case. The device, so we were told, would allow us to turn the pages of books and newspapers without lifting a finger, perfect for people who are paralyzed or who have broken an arm, not to mention those of us who like to read while eating. Our employees loved this handy little gadget, which turned page after page as fast as they could say "Next" or "Back." The only complaint we received was that it was unable to distinguish between commands and the same words used in a different context, such as "Come back" or "next week." Despite that weakness, this is still one of the best inventions we've come across in a long time.

*Manufacturer:* BizzBuzz

*Price:* \$79.99

*Ranking:* ★★★★★

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**QUESTIONS** (60 points)

Answer questions 1-3 in English as instructed, according to the reviews.

**1. COMPLETE THE SENTENCES.**

What are the TWO main topics dealt with in the introduction to the reviews?

i) How \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

ii) How \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

(2x10=20 points)

**2. a) Which one of the reviews is written in a somewhat sarcastic tone?**

ANSWER: \_\_\_\_\_

(4 points)

b) Copy ONE phrase or sentence from the text which supports your answer.

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**SEE THE REST OF THE QUESTIONS FOR THIS PASSAGE IN THE A.E.L. BAGRUT PRACTICE BOOK FOR THE 5-POINT BAGRUT!**

**PART II: WRITTEN PRESENTATION** (40 points)

Write 120–140 words in English on the following topic.

WRITE IN INK (NOT IN PENCIL). PAY CAREFUL ATTENTION TO HANDWRITING. MAKE SURE YOU WRITE LEGIBLY AND TO THE POINT.

4. You are very disappointed with a new gadget you have bought.

Write the company which manufactures it a formal letter of complaint.

You may relate to the reviews on pages 14–15. However, DO NOT COPY sentences from the reviews.

**NOTE: Do not give your own name in the letter. Use an imaginary name.**