What’s your idea of a good time? What about dancing in a rainy field with one hundred and fifty thousand other people while a famous rock band plays on a stage so far away that the performers look so tiny? It may sound strange but that is what many hundreds of thousands of young people in the United Kingdom (UK) do every summer: Why? It’s because summer is the time for outdoor music festivals.

Held on a farm, the Glastonbury Festival is the most popular and largest festival in U.k. It is best known for its contemporary music, but also features dance, comedy, theatre, circus, and many other arts. It began in 1970 and was attended by one thousand five hundred people, each paying an admission price of £1.

Since the Glastonbury Festival has gone from strength to strength in 2004 one hundred and fifty thousand fans attended, paying £112 for tickets to the three-day event. Tickets for the event sold out within three hours. Acts included experienced superstars such as Paul McCartney, Oasis, James Brown, as well as new talents like Joss Stone, Franz Ferdinand, and Black Eyed Peas.

Although many summer festivals are run on a profit-making basis, Glastonbury is a charity event, donating millions for local and international charities to draw attention to international poverty.

Profit-making (Adjective): [usually before noun] (of a company or a business) that makes or will make a profit/ money

Fan: [noun] a person who admires sb/sth or enjoys watching or listening to sb/sth very much: superstar fans
I. READING COMPREHENSION:

1. Read the text. Complete the table (2mks)

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2. Answer the following questions (2mks)

a. When did the festival begin?

b. What are the arts performed on the stages of the festival?

3. These statements are false. Correct them from the text (2mks)

a. The Glastonbury is a profit-making event.

b. The Glastonbury took a break in 2004. (There wasn't a festival in 2004)

c. The Glastonbury Festival lasts 5 days.

4. What do the underlined words refer to?

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II. LANGUAGE: (7mks)

1) Fill in the blanks with words from the box. Be careful, there is an extra word (3.5mks)

   bill - meal – wanted – expensive - dessert - ordered – menu – waiters

   The last time I went to a restaurant was about 2 months ago. My wife and I 1 --
   to celebrate our wedding anniversary with a good 2 -- so we went to an 3 -- Italian restaurant in downtown Lisbon. We both had pasta as a starter and for the main course my wife 4 -- a steak and I chose fish. For 5 -- we both ate chocolate cake topped with fresh cream. The food was delicious. The 6 -- were all really friendly and polite, and they played romantic music which was very relaxing. The 7 -- was various. It offered vegetarian dishes as well as meat dishes served with rice and a sauce.
2) Circle the correct alternative: (3.5mks)

Film maker George Richards has been\(^1\) \textit{interested} – interest – interesting in the cinema since he was a small child. He made his first \(^2\)\textit{screen} - film – \textit{script} when he \(^3\)\textit{is} – \textit{has been} – \textit{was} just twelve years old. He is now almost forty and he has made thirty films. George loves travelling. His work\(^4\) \textit{took} was taking - has taken him all over the world. He\(^5\) \textit{was} - \textit{has been} – \textit{is} to Africa, India, Australia, China, the USA and South America. Last year, he\(^6\) \textit{went} - \textit{stayed} - \textit{visited} Russia for the first time. George is married to the singer Kathy Burke. They have married \(^7\) \textit{for} - \textit{since} - \textit{before} ten years. They live with their two children on the Greek island of Kos. They bought a house on the island in 1987 and they have been there since then.

III. WRITING: (5mks)

A friend of yours has received some money and plans to use all of it either
- To go on a vocation
- To donate it to charity (helping the poor / the disabled...)

You friend has asked you for advice. Write a letter to your friend to explain which one you think he/she should choose. Use specific reasons and details to support your choice.

Remember to use linkers: besides / although / moreover / because / however, etc.

Express your opinion: From my point of view... / I personally believe... / In my opinion... / I think...

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