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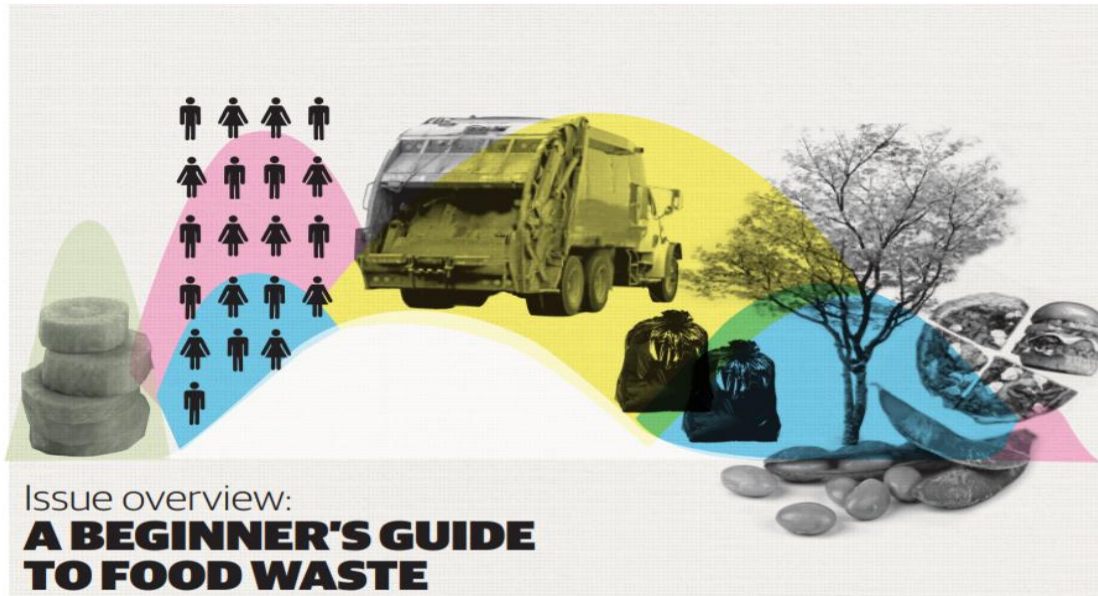
GRADUATE IN SECONDARY EDUCATION

OPEN TEST

COMMUNICATION SKILLS: ENGLISH

SURNAMES AND NAME: _____

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Not eating every scrap on your plate is one thing... and dumping your dinner straight from the saucepan into the bin is quite another.

Do you think you never waste food like that? Think again. Recent research shows we needlessly throw away loads of perfectly good food (4.2m tonnes in the UK in 2012)

Why do we waste so much food?

Partly perhaps, it's because we live in a culture where there has always been more than enough. Our grandparents would never throw out scraps

from the Sunday roast. They would mix up the last bits of meat with some salad cream and yesterday's vegetables and use it as a sandwich filling. They lived through a war when food was rationed.

Until recently, food has also been cheap. When something is cheap it's psychologically easier to discard it than when it costs a lot.

Another reason might be that not as many people know how to cook from scratch as they used to. Now that many more people have busy jobs that pay the mortgage, there's far less time for anyone to be cooking in

the kitchen.

Frankly, it can feel easier to call out for a pizza than start dreaming up a tasty dinner from a pile of ingredients when you're tired, hungry and just want something on your plate.

It might feel like a lot of effort to change how we view and treat food. But most people love eating, and inventing new recipes can be a lot of fun.

Fortunately, the result is likely to be yummy far more often than it's horrid; and if it turns out badly, just remember that every great chef makes mistakes!

It is worth making the effort not to waste food. If we're going to protect the planet, respect other humans who don't have enough, save some money and nourish ourselves properly, we have to stop wasting food when we could be eating it.

1. Reading Comprehension (2 points)

1. - Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE according to the text? (2 points)

- 1. – Our great-grandparents do not mind throwing out food on Sunday:
- 2. – When something is expensive, we usually discard it easily:
- 3. – Nowadays, people have less time to cook:
- 4. – Inventing new recipes can be very enjoyable:

2. - Answer the following questions using information from the text and your own words, in full sentences. (2 points)

1. – How many million tonnes of perfect food was wasted in 2012 in the UK?
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2. – Why is it important to stop wasting food? (Give at least two reasons)
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3. - Vocabulary. Find words in the text meaning the following: (1 point)

- 1000 kilograms
- restricted
- occupied
- delicious



4. Read the text and choose the correct answer. (2 points)

The Story of McDonald's



There are many quick-service restaurant chains in the world, but probably the most famous is McDonald's. McDonald's (1) more than 34,000 restaurants around the world in 119 countries, and they serve about 68 million customers every day.

The story of McDonald's began (2) 1940 when two brothers, Richard and Maurice ('Mac') McDonald opened a new restaurant called 'McDonald's Famous Barbeque'. It (3) a successful business, but the brothers wanted to (4) more food and make more money, so in 1948 they made some changes. For example, they (5) a new way to (6) and serve food (7) – and McDonald's became one of the first fast food restaurants in the world. (8), they made the menu more simple: hamburgers, cheeseburgers, sodas, and milkshakes. There were no longer any waiters or (9) to serve food, so customers food by themselves at a counter. In 1954, (10) called Ray Kroc joined the company and later bought it for 2.7 million dollars.

Underline the correct answer:

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| (1) | have | has | is having | is has |
| (2) | on | at | for | in |
| (3) | was | were | is | are |
| (4) | sells | sold | selling | sell |
| (5) | tryed | try | tried | trying |
| (6) | cooked | cook | cooks | cooking |
| (7) | more fast | faster | fasts | more faster |
| (8) | Addition | In addition | Additional | In additional |
| (9) | waitreses | waitersses | waitresses | waiterss |
| (10) | a man | the man | man | men |

