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I. Comprehension:

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The week of the cruise arrived, and Scott continued to mumble his complaints as he and his family left their house to head south. Scott's dad told him that he would only make the vacation worse for himself if he didn't change his attitude and open his mind to a new experience. Scott still couldn't stop thinking about all the snow he was leaving behind.

When they arrived at the port to board the ship, Scott had a hard time admitting that he was actually impressed with the size of the ship. He had seen the brochures but seeing the ship in person was a whole different animal. Then he remembered that the brochure said something about a surfing pool. Maybe surfing would be somewhat like snowboarding. After all, it involved riding a board.

Scott climbed aboard the ship with his parents, and then they walked around to check everything out. He couldn't believe how extravagant the accommodation was. The dining room looked like a royal hall; the game room had all his favorite games and then some; the ship's deck had several different swimming pools for different purposes. Then Scott saw the surfing pool. It was incredible. It wasn't a big pool, but it had big waves, and the girl who was demonstrating how to ride the waves made it look like a ton of fun.

Scott asked his parents if he could go put his swim shorts on so that he could try surfing. They said, "Of course." They wanted to put their swimsuits on as well, and much to Scott's surprise, they wanted to try surfing too. When Scott and his parents had their swimsuits on, they headed back to the surfing pool. There was a line, but it wasn't too long. Scott's dad went first and only lasted about five seconds before he wiped out. Then it was his mom's turn. She actually made it longer than his dad did. When it was Scott's turn, he was excited and **anxious**. He hopped on the board and took a stance like

his snowboarding stance. Then the waves started. It felt like snowboarding but different at the same time. On his first ride, Scott rode for almost 30 seconds before wiping out. He was hooked though.

A lot of the passengers tried surfing the first day of the cruise, but only eight people or so really took to it, so for the remainder of the cruise the lines weren't very long, and Scott got to know the regulars quite well.

By the time the weeklong cruise was over, Scott had new friends he planned to keep in touch with, a new hobby, and great memories. He apologized to his parents for the initial moaning and groaning and told them it was his best vacation ever.

A. Read the text above and choose the best answer. (2 points, 1 point each)

1. The word "tradition" in "Family time was important to them, and it was **tradition** that they spend winter break together." (Paragraph 1) is closest in meaning to _____

    a. Straying

    b. Difference

    c. Customs

    d. Change

2. The word "anxious" in "When it was Scott's turn, he was excited and **anxious**." (Paragraph 5) is closest in meaning to _____

    a. Happy

    b. Angry

    c. Unsatisfied

    d. Nervous

B. Answer the following questions in complete sentences. (12 points, 3 points each)

3. Who is/are the main character(s) in this story?

4. Based on the context, what type of climate is considered tropical?

5. Why do you think Scott was surprised that his parents wanted to try surfing?

6. Why would Scott have wanted to apologize to his parents?

C. State the definition of Imagery. (1 point)

II. Grammar:

A. Fill in the blanks with a, an, the, or ---- . (5 points, 1 point each)

1. Jake took out _____ bottle of beer from _____ fridge.
2. Emma looked at _____ letter she received from _____ company she wanted to join.
3. The plane was climbing up through _____ sky.

B. Fill in the blanks with **much**, **many**, and **a lot of**. (5 points, 1 point each)

1. John hasn't _____ money.
2. There is _____ gold in the bag.
3. I haven't seen _____ birds in the sky!
4. There aren't _____ cars in the street.
5. Are there _____ apples on the tree?

C. Put the verb into the present simple. Be careful about the spelling! (5 points, 1 point each)

1. She _____ (play) tennis every Sunday.
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The main character in this story is Scott.

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Based on the context of the story, the tropical climate is warm.

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Scott was surprised that his parents wanted to try surfing because it wasn't an activity he thought they would be interested in.

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He wants to apologize because he was rude about not wanting to go on a vacation they had spent time, effort, and money on booking for the family.

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