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Listening comprehension: (8 marks)

1) Listen and circle the correct answer: (2 marks)

a) James Brown is the Godfather of:

- Pop music
- Jazz Music
- Soul music ✓

b) James Brown was born in:

- 1943
- 1933 ✓
- 1923

2) Listen and correct these FALSE statements with reference to the passage: (3 marks)

A) The boy's mother left the family when he was nine years old.

... The boy's mother left the family when he was seven years old.

B) James Brown`s fans are mainly black listeners.

... It helped him gain a huge number of white fans as well as black ones.

B) James Brown's father was wealthy.

... But this huge success was very different from the poverty of his early life.

3) What are the musical instruments that James Brown played? (1mark)

... He learned to play the guitar, piano and drums.

4) Circle the right function: (1mark)

"He became a famous and wealthy singer, songwriter and performer. But this huge success was very different from the poverty of his early life." expresses:

- a- Contrast
- b- Addition
- c- Consequence

5) Listen and complete the missing words: (1mark)

He loved it when the church's religious leader would sing this music and drop to his knees with emotional .. shouts and screams



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Language: (12 marks)

1) Fill in the gaps with words from the box. There are two extra words: (4,5 marks)

driver / solo / awards / in / musicians / enormous / second / quickly / amateur / dreams / on

Amy Jade Winehouse was an English singer and songwriter. She was born on September 14, 1983, in London, England. Her father was a cab driver, while mother Janis was employed as a pharmacist. In her early years, Winehouse was immersed in music; many of her uncles were professional musicians. At the age of 10, she founded an amateur rap group called Sweet 'n Sour. In 2003, She debuted her solo career with the album 'Frank'. Winehouse's second album "Back To Black" made her an acclaimed international singer. She won dozens of awards, including five at the 2008 Grammy's. Despite her musical success, Winehouse's health and personal life began to quickly deteriorate. Sadly, at the end of her life, Winehouse's enormous talent was overshadowed by her addiction to drugs and alcohol. The singer died tragically on July 23, 2011, at the age of 27 from accidental alcohol poisoning.

2) Circle the correct alternative: (4 marks)

I've always been a shy girl who found it difficult to make friends. One day my cousin (tell)... told me: "Why don't you try the internet? You have nothing to lose." I found the idea quite (interest)... interesting. So, the following day, I entered my details. A week later, I got an e-mail from a girl called Nathalie. We started (chat) chatting and sending messages to each other. Since then she (become)... has become my (good)... best friend. We also decided to meet. That was last December just before Christmas. She was (lovely) as lovely and friendly as I expected. She invited me to spend Christmas Holiday with her family and we enjoyed (us) ourselves enormously.

3) Put the words between parentheses in the right form or tense: (4 marks)

Career progression is a high priority for many professionals. Finding strategies to realise your (ambitious) ambition is key to achieving long term career success. Anna Barsby, former Chief Information Officer at Halfords, gives three tips for professionals wanting to propel (they) their careers: "You must identify your strengths and (weak) weaknesses and take steps to work on areas where you feel your skills could be stronger. By acknowledging the areas you may not be as good in, you can focus on developing them and (change) changing those traits in a positive way. Moreover, you have to be open to taking risks so that you can discover opportunities you wouldn't otherwise have been (awareness) aware of. Developing (confident) confidence in yourself and the work you produce is an important step to achieving career progression. This (not/mean) doesn't mean avoiding asking for help and guidance from your manager and colleagues. Make your (choose) choices and decisions confidently will help you to take more risks. It is a positive cycle."



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