ENTRANCE EXAM 2022 (60 mns)

Purpose: shows the candidate can deal with different types of sentences, his intelligible use of English and his ability to translate some English phrases.

1. Read the text below carefully and answer the questions

The ant and the grasshopper were best friends with very different personalities. The grasshopper would spend his days sleeping or playing his guitar while the ant would collect food and build his ant hill.

Every now and then, the grasshopper would tell the ant to take a break. However, the ant would refuse and continue to complete his work.

Soon winter came making the days and nights cold. One day the colony of ants was busy trying to dry some grains of corn. The grasshopper who was extremely weak and hungry came up to the ants and asked "Can you please give me a piece of corn?" the ant replied "We worked hard for this corn all summer while you relaxed, why should we give it to you?"

The grasshopper was so busy singing and sleeping that he didn't have enough food to last winter. The grasshopper realized his mistake.

Question 1: What is different between the ant and the grasshopper?

Question 2: What did the grasshopper usually do in summer while his friend was working?

Question 3: Why did the grasshopper feel hurry?

Question 4: What did he do then?

Question 5: Choose the title for the text.

2. Give the correct form of the verbs in brackets

- a. What you (tell) him yesterday?
- b. He just (drink) a glass of beer. Beer is very refreshing.
- c. My father (give away) me his collection of stamps last month.
- d. My uncle (work) in the garden last Monday while It (rain).
- e. By this time next year, Thomas (finish) his study in London.

3. Rewrite these sentences using the correct verbs and joining words

My family has just moved to a new house. My brother (be) tall (so / that) he must (be) careful. Doorways are often low (and / but) he usually (beat / knock) his head against them. His head always (hurt / pain). He has never (meet / recognize) a tall architect.

4. Translate into Vietnamese

We slowly began to understand that if you teach a child to respect a small plant, to admire a rabbit (*con thỏ*), or to be touched by his little brother, the child will harbor (nuôi duỡng) peace and respect for God's Creation later on.

(cf. https://www.vaticannews.va/en/church/news/2022-05/laudato-si-week-story-ecuador-marrriage-faith-family.html)