



- * Pay attention to the title to understand the main theme of an article.
- * Read the topic sentence (the first or last sentence) of each paragraph to find out its main idea.

Mandy is reading an article about an exciting job. Read it carefully, choose the best answers for Questions 1-5 and complete Question 6. (12 marks @ 2 marks)

Life as a Wedding Planner



Have you ever attended a wedding? Most of these sweet, beautiful weddings are organised by wedding planners.

Michelle Kawazuru is a well-known Japanese wedding planner. She has organised more than three hundred weddings since she started her career. 'I've worked in London for a year but I'm now based in New York. My job is to arrange weddings for couples. I need to meet with each couple and listen to their ideas. Then I plan every single detail of their wedding according to their needs and budget. I also need to offer them creative ideas for their wedding. I sometimes need to comfort the couples as they may feel stressed days before the wedding day,' said Michelle.

'To become a wedding planner, you have to be hard-working. It is not a must to attend a fashion school, but you need to have a good sense of fashion. **It** can help you produce better ideas. Therefore, it is necessary for you to keep up with the latest trend. Good communication skills are also important as wedding planners need to communicate with different people, such as the florists, photographers and food caterers. Most importantly, you need to have a backup plan for everything. You'll never know when things would go wrong. It's always good to think of more options. Although it is tough, I love taking on challenges. My **favourite part** of the job is seeing the couple exchange vows in the ceremony,' said Michelle.

Being a wedding planner is a terrific job. However, most wedding planners have to work on weekday evenings and throughout the weekends. 'I work day and night and seldom see my family. Sometimes, I feel like the office is my home.' said Michelle, with a sad smile on her face.

Listening

Reading

Writing



1. Where does Michelle Kawazuru come from?
 A. America B. Japan C. Hong Kong D. England

2. Paragraph 2 mainly talks about _____.
 A. a famous wedding planner B. how to plan a wedding
 C. what a wedding planner does D. how to become a wedding planner

3. In paragraph 3, what does '**It**' refer to?
 A. Having backup plans
 B. Attending a fashion school
 C. Having good communication skills
 D. Having a good fashion sense

4. In paragraph 3, what is Michelle's '**favourite part**' of her job?
 A. Attending a wedding ceremony
 B. Watching the couple exchange vows
 C. Taking on challenges
 D. Thinking of more options

vow (n.): a serious promise

5. To become a wedding planner, you do **NOT** need to _____.
 A. have good communication skills
 B. be familiar with the latest trends
 C. study fashion at school
 D. draw up backup plans for things

6. Mandy is writing an e-mail to her friend, Nancy. Read the article and help Mandy complete the e-mail by using only **ONE** word for each blank. Make sure your answers are grammatically correct.

Hi Nancy,
 I just read an article about being a wedding planner. I think I can do this job in the future because I'm (i) _____. I can always think of new ideas. Also, I'm good at talking to others. I know how to (ii) _____ with them well...