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3	B. Read the given passa	age carefully before you attempt any q	uestion.
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<u>Passage</u>

Just as most of us were finally beginning to grasp the Y2K problem, the confusion that may follow a computer's failure to read zero-zero as the year 2000. Along comes September 9th, 1999.

Some older computers, we were told, might read 9-9-99 as a kind of shorthand used to mark the end of a program and shut something down! Like the northwest electric grid of the Bonneville Power Administration.

That got everyone's attention focused on the last big nationwide power company readiness drill for the year two thousand.

Here in Washington State, and practically everywhere else in the United States and Canada, September 9th arrived without a hitch.

At least not a computer hitch. But there was a telephone call that threatened BPA's power grid, one of the biggest in the country. The call came from someone who persuaded someone else to throw some switches. However, an alert operator rerouted power and quickly fixed the problem.

Judi Johnson is a Bonneville Power Administrator; "There are people who would like Y2K to be a real event."

After a tour of BPA's control center, energy secretary Bill Richardson declared it and the nation almost ready for New Year's Day, 2000. He says, "I can report today that Bonneville is Y2K ready, and I have had reports from power companies all over the country that they have all passed with flying colors."

The secretary acknowledged that 9-9-99 was never a serious concern but a way to focus on 1-1-2000.

In the end, the energy secretary said, it was not so much a test of Y2K readiness, as it was a show of confidence in the nation's electric companies even though, he acknowledged, one percent is still not Y2K compliant.

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Question Marks	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Question	11	12									

Marks		
Question No: 1 (N	Marks: 1) - Please choose one	
Choose the best opt	tion.	
The K in Y2K mea	ans	
►	kilogram	
►	100	
►	Kilometer	
•	1000	
Question No: 2 (I	Marks: 1) - Please choose one	_
It was feared that co	omputers on September 9, 1999 would	
•	start a irus spreading	
	shut dawn all programs	
F	shut down all programs	
►	send wrong messages to power companies	
►	process faster than usual	
Question No: 3 (1	Marks: 1) - Please choose one	
On September 9	, 1999 at Bonneille Power Administration	
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	a person broke in and set some switches	
•	the computer shut down but was fixed	
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►	a telephone call threatened to shut down power	
►	nothing happened all day	
Question No: 4 ((Marks: 1) - Please choose one	
The secretary	of energy thinks	
►	almost all power companies in the world are ready for Y2K	
►	there needs to be a lot of work done before Y2K	
►	he had bad reports from power companies about September 9, 1999	
►	almost all power companies in the US are ready for Y2K	
Question No: 5 ((Marks: 1) - Please choose one	
As January 1, ready.	2000 gets closer, of the nations electric power companies are	
►	99 percent	
►	100 percent	
►	1 percent	
►	50 percent	
Question No: 6 ((Marks: 3)	
How September 9.	, 1999 was was seen by most experts?	

What did alert operator do on September 9, 1999?

Question No: 8 (Marks: 10)

Write a précis of the gien passage.

Question No: 9 (Marks: 4)

Describe what you think is going to happen on January 1, 2000?

Question No: 10 (Marks: 4)

What are you doing to get ready for January 1, 2000?

Question No: 11 (Marks: 5)

Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions of time.

"Till" and "before" are examples of preposition of time. Others include "from", "during", "after", "for", "by", "at", "on", "in", and "since".

1. I got in touch with them_____ Eid.

2. He will have to wait he gets his passport before tracking to Indonesia.

3. Bats sleep _____ the day and only come out _____ night.

4. They will be away ______ the middle of February to the end of March.

5. The concert should end _____ midnight.

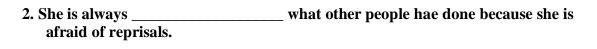
Question No: 12 (Marks: 6)

Fill in the blanks with suitable idioms from the gien options. You may need to change the tense of the erbs accordingly.

Like a fish out of water dress up to the nines A icious circle

take the rap for (something)

for the camp fire. 1. There is no need to



3. The middle-aged woman felt _______ at her daughter's party.