Part one: Reading and Grammar (Score: 11 pts)

Read the passage, and then answer the questions that follow.

Jack and Sally Brown wish they lived on a farm. If they had a farm, they could raise animals and produce their own food. It's hard work, but Mr. and Mrs. Brown would enjoy the peace and quiet of being in the country, and they could spend more time with their children. Linda could have her own horse, and Jimmy could go hunting and fishing with his father. On the other hand, if the Browns left Wickam City, Jimmy and Linda wouldn't be able to finish college and they would miss their friends. The Browns bought a farm several months ago, but it wasn't what they expected. Nowadays, it's hard to find a good piece of farmland at a reasonable price.

John and Sarah Smith have lived on a farm all their lives, and it hasn't been easy. In 1978, their house burned down. This year they have lost most of their corn and wheat crops due to bad weather. As if that wasn't bad enough, last month Nancy Paine crashed into their barn. Sarah Smith thinks it would be better if they moved to the city. John could get a job working in his brother's supermarket, and Sarah could open a bakery. She makes wonderful cakes and pies. If John and Sarah moved to the city, they would make new friends and go out more often. But they would probably miss their farm. After all, it's the only life they have ever known.

I- Mark each statement T (true) or F (false). (3 pts.)

1. Mr. and Mrs. Brown wish to live on a farm in order to avoid the crowded and noisy city.
2. Mr. and Mrs. Brown weren't able to buy a farm because they didn't have enough money.

3. One advantage of living in Wickam City is that the Browns have much time to spend with their children ____________.

4. Mr. and Mrs. Smith lost their corn and wheat crops because Nancy Paine crashed into their barn. ____________.

5. The Smith family wanted to move to the city because John would have his own supermarket and Sarah would have her own bakery. ____________.

6. Sarah is skillful in making cakes and pies. ____________.

II- Complete each sentence with a word from the text. (2.5 pts.)

1. The snowstorm destroyed most of the ____________ last year.

2. Factories located in areas suffering from continuous civil wars need a period of ____________ in order to flourish.

3. Last month, the participants in the conference on Global Warming ____________ an increase in the size of melting icebergs for the coming year.

4. The interpretations made on the causes of the summer fires of the Lebanese forests are not ____________ at all.

5. Though the plane ____________ violently on the runway, there were no serious injuries and victims.

III – Six of the following sentences contain errors. If the sentence contains an error, circle the error and correct it in the space provided. If the sentence is correct, write "correct" in the space provided: (5.5 pts.)

1. Either the physicians in this hospital or the chief administrator have to make a decision.
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2. Fred's apartment is almost filled. He has much furniture in it. ____________
3. I was late to my class because there was a few traffic on my way to the college.

4. Each kind of the bacterium has a specific treatment.

5. I got two presents in my birthday. One was from my parents and another was from my intimate friend.

6. Several of my friends are newspaper reporters.

7. A number of citizens have moved to the city due to economic reasons.

8. The Japanese has many private traditions.

9. A man would rather plays sports than go shopping with his friends.

10. There isn't a lot of jobs available in his major of study.

11. The economic situation here is worst than in your country.

Part Two: Writing (Score: 9 pts.)

I- Read the following sentences and rearrange them in the correct order to form a well-organized paragraph. Show the order by writing 1,2,3,... next to the sentences.

(3 pts)

_____ Second, you need to look at maps and books about those places.

_____ A trip to another country requires a certain amount of planning.

_____ In conclusion, a well-planned trip means a pleasant and enjoyable one.

_____ Then, you should find out what kind of documents you will need to enter the country.

_____ First, you must decide where you would like to go.

_____ Finally, you should make a packing list to make sure you bring everything necessary.

II- Write a paragraph about the following topic: (6 pts.)

Some people prefer to live on a farm, while others choose to live in a city. Where do you prefer to live? Why?

Good Luck