Word formation and collocations

Use of English practice — the same task type as in your exam. Work alone first, then compare with a partner.

Part A — Word formation

Write the correct form of the word in CAPITALS in each gap.

#	Sentence	Word
1	One day, my stamp collection might be quite _____.	**VALUE**
2	Concert tickets are not very _____ for students.	**AFFORD**
3	In our village people still wear _____ clothes at weddings.	**TRADITION**
4	My uncle is a keen stamp _____.	**COLLECT**
5	The computer provides _____ for the whole family.	**ENTERTAIN**
6	Social networking sites can be seriously _____.	**ADDICT**
7	Fishing has not lost its _____ — it is as popular as ever.	**POPULAR**
8	The dancers moved _____ to the music.	**RHYTHM**
9	The gymnast landed _____ after the jump and didn't fall.	**PERFECT**
10	It was _____ quiet in the old video arcade — nobody was playing.	**WEIRD**

Part B — Collocations

Complete each phrase with ONE word from the box — each word is used exactly once. Then write two of the phrases in your own sentences.

Word box: afford, amount, appeal, balance, in, level, off, on, to, up

#	Phrase	#	Phrase
1	take ____ a new hobby	6	show ____ your new model
2	lose your ____ on the ice	7	rely ____ the local library
3	can't ____ to buy it	8	take your hobby to the next ____
4	prefer rock ____ pop	9	a huge ____ of information
5	be ____ demand	10	It doesn't ____ to me.

Part C — Speaking

In groups of three, answer with at least three sentences. Use the words from today's list — underline them in your notes.

1. Which of the hobbies and activities mentioned in the article do you think are the most / least interesting? Why?
2. Would you consider taking any of them up? Why? / Why not?
3. Which hobby would you find too time-consuming or too expensive? Why?
4. What is a traditional hobby in your family or in your mahalla?

Answer key (teacher's copy)

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Part A: 1. valuable; 2. affordable; 3. traditional; 4. collector; 5. entertainment; 6. addictive; 7. popularity; 8. rhythmically; 9. perfectly; 10. weirdly

Part B: 1. up; 2. balance; 3. afford; 4. to; 5. in; 6. off; 7. on; 8. level; 9. amount; 10. appeal