1. **Lexis in Context**

* Provide the meaning of the underlined/italicised lexical items and say what context clue is used in each sentence. Then use each word in a sentence of your own. (**04** **pts.**)

1. When Dad lost his job, he *regressed* to his earlier habit of smoking.
2. Mei Lin was *euphoric* when the college that was her first choice accepted her.
3. By court order, the abusive parents had to *relinquish* their children, who were placed in a foster home.
4. "I don't expect you to be *infallible*," our boss said, "but I do expect you not to make the same errors over and over."
5. **Polysemy**

* Supply the equivalent meaning for the word “school” in the following examples. (**02pts.)**

1. I had to stand up in front of the whole **school**.
2. Can we meet after **school** today?
3. The waters were so clear we could observe a **school** of fish swimming along.
4. He has **schooled** himself to remain calm under pressure.
5. **Connotation**

* Consider the following groups of words then tell which is connotative (positive/negative) and which is denotative (neutral). **(2pts.)**

1. tenacious, stubborn, steadfast
2. thin, slim, skinny
3. group, Clique, club

**Answer sheet**

1. **A. Lexis in Context (04pts.)**

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| **Lexis** | **Meaning** | **Context clue** |
| regressed |  |  |
| euphoric |  |  |
| relinquish |  |  |
| infallible |  |  |

1. **Sentences:**
2. Regressed
3. Euphoric
4. Relinquish
5. Infallible
6. **Polysemy (02pts.)**
7. School: ………………………………
8. School: ………………………………
9. School: ………………………………
10. School: ……………………………….
11. **Connotation (02pts.)**

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| **words** | **Positive** | **Neutral** | **Negative** |
| 1. tenacious, stubborn, steadfast |  |  |  |
| 1. thin, slim, skinny |  |  |  |
| 1. group, Clique, club |  |  |  |