

Directions: In this section, there is a passage with ten blanks. You are required to select one word for each blank from a list of choices given in a word bank following the passage. Read the passage through carefully before making your choices. Each choice in the bank is identified by a letter. Please mark the corresponding letter for each item on **Answer Sheet 2** with a single line through the centre. You may not use any of the words in the bank more than once.

About 23% of the global population lives in absolute poverty. In developing countries there is a low life expectancy, a high infant 26 rate, high levels of unemployment and illiteracy, nutritional levels below acceptable standards and widespread disease with very little or poor quality medical assistance. Others live 27 wealthy and luxurious lives and so the wealth is distributed in a very 28 manner. These are the central problems to questions of charity though charity also includes many other areas such as assisting the elderly.

We all 29 when very rich people pledge to give away most of their billions, but they are usually left with millions to pass on, still much more than most people would expect to earn in their lifetime. Even comparatively 30 salaries in the west are very high when compared globally. Someone on £ 20,000 could easily afford to give away £ 2,000 per year and still have plenty to live on plus some luxuries.

Most people agree that giving to charity is morally 31 but charitable behaviour tends to be regarded as above and beyond the call of duty. Some argue, however, that charitable behaviour is morally required. This means that to fail to behave charitably would be wrong. The majority of arguments in this vein refer to giving aid to poorer nations but they may also refer to giving time within one's 32 community. Arguments tend to place different requirements on people in different income brackets and 33 entirely people who are merely making ends meet. Some argue that people should all contribute a certain percentage of their earnings. I will 34 together all those arguments that place a moral requirement on people to give to charity, despite the fact that there is wide disagreement as to the 35 of that moral requirement.

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| A) applaud | I) moderate |
| B) casualty | J) mortality |
| C) exclude | K) overt |
| D) extent | L) praiseworthy |
| E) group | M) probe |
| F) hierarchical | N) sceptically |
| G) immediate | O) unequal |
| H) incredibly | |