**Unit 21 Human Biology**

**Lesson 1 Language Learning**

**I. Match the words with their definitions:**

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| K | Enhance | A. to break or act against something, especially something that should be treated with respect |
| J | Supreme | B. to disagree with something, especially by saying that the opposite is true |
| I | Abuse | C. to disagree with something such as a plan or idea and try to prevent it from happening or succeeding |
| H | Tolerate | D. causing disagreement or discussion |
| F | Fundamental | E. that must be done; required by the rules, etc |
| G | Lame | F. relating to the most basic and important parts of something  |
| E | Compulsory | G. (especially of an excuse or argument) weak and unconvincing  |
| D | controversial | H. to be able to accept something unpleasant or difficult, even though you do not like it  |
| C | Oppose | I. to use or treat someone or something wrongly or badly  |
| B | Contradict | J. having the highest rank, level or importance |
| A | violate | K. to improve the quality, amount or strength of something |

**II. Fill in blanks.**

Seek; contradict; oppose; supreme; enhance; violate;

in vain; at all costs; at random;

1. She was awarded a medal for showing **supreme** bravery.
2. The **supreme** purpose of history is to create a better world.
3. The government has done little to **enhance** its reputation.
4. Good lighting will **enhance** any room.
5. Local schools are **seeking** **to** reduce the dropout rate.
6. When you have trouble with your study, don’t hesitate to **seek** help from your teachers.
7. The proposed new examination system has been **opposed** by teachers.
8. The witness statements **contradict** each other and the facts remain unclear.
9. The stamp collector decided to get that precious stamp **at all cost**.
10. I tried to persuade him, but **in vain**.
11. The magician asked me to choose one **at random** from these cards.
12. The doctor has been accused of **violating** professional ethics.

**III. Spelling**

1. Those clothes do nothing to **enhance** her appearance.
2. For me, dieting requires a **supreme** effort of will.
3. Education is **compulsory** for children in most countries.
4. It’s a highly **controversial** plan to flood the valley in order to build a dam.
5. Williams **abused** his position as Mayor to give jobs to his friends.

**IV. Translate the sentences.**

1. 奥林匹克精神已经被为获得成功而**不惜一切代价的**欲望**亵渎**了。 Violate/ at all costs

The Olympic spirit has been violated by the desire to succeed at all costs.

1. 我们一直在设法提高生产率。seek

we are always seeking to improve productivity.

1. 许多工人都说他们无法**忍受**长时间的工作。tolerate

Many workers said that they couldn’t tolerate the long hours.

1. 当地政客**滥用特权**致富。 Local politicians abused their privileges to make themselves rich.