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ENGLISH LANGUAGE EXAMINATIONS

MAY 2024

FIRST STEP

PRE-A1

A1

A2

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INSTRUCTIONS

- Do not open this booklet until the exam starts.
- The order of the exam papers is:

PART **A**  **LISTENING**

PART **B**  **READING & USAGE**

PART **C**  **WRITING**

- Time allowed for all three parts: **90 minutes**



PART A  **LISTENING**

POINTS: 25

TIME: APPROXIMATELY 20 MINUTES

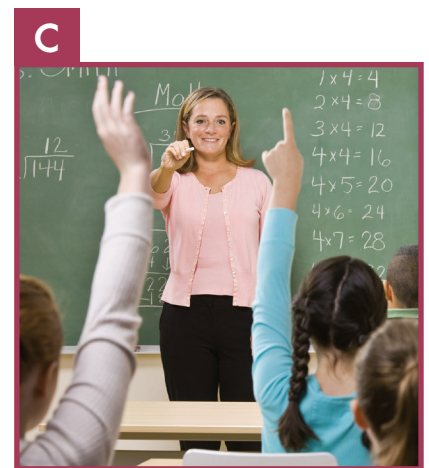
GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- As you listen to the recording, mark your answers in this booklet.
- Answer all the questions. Give only one answer for each question.
- After the end of the recording, you will have 3 minutes to transfer your answers onto your Answer Sheet. Mark them in 2H or HB pencil.

EXERCISE 1
Numbers: 1 - 8

Jobs!

EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Write the letter of a picture, A to F, in each of the spaces, 1 to 8. You will use some letters more than once.



1. | 2. | 3. | 4. | 5. | 6. | 7. | 8.

EXERCISE 2

Numbers: 9 - 15

Summer holiday in Greece

EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Choose the correct word, phrase or photo to complete each statement, 9 to 15. Circle its letter, A, B or C.

9. Dad says the island ____ .
A. has an airport
B. is in the north of Greece
C. isn't very beautiful
10. When they leave home, they will first go to ____ .
A. Grandma's house
B. Manchester Airport
C. Kavala
11. They will be on the aeroplane for about ____ .
A. one and a half hours
B. two hours
C. four hours

12. From Kavala Airport, they will travel by ____ .



13. On Thasos, they will stay in a ____ .



14. On their holiday, they will have a ____ .



15. Next week, Lizzie will buy ____ .



PART B  **READING & USAGE****POINTS: 50****TIME: 40 MINUTES ARE ADVISED****GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

- You are advised to spend about 40 minutes on this part of the test.
- You may mark your answers on this booklet while you are working on them.
- Answer all the questions. Give only one answer for each question.

EXERCISE 1
Numbers: 16 - 25**Looking after a pet****EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS:** Read the text. Then do the exercises on page 5.

Mr Brown lives near me. Last month, he asked me to look after his dog, Sparky, while he was away for two days. I was really happy because I like dogs a lot but I don't have one.

In the morning, I went to Mr Brown's house to give Sparky his breakfast in his yellow bowl. He eats dry dog food for breakfast, but his favourite food is chicken. He gets that in the evening. I gave him fresh water to drink. After that, Sparky and I went for a walk. He loves walking and meeting other dogs! We walked to the park and played catch with a ball. Sparky is very good at catching balls. After I had my lunch at noon, I visited Sparky again. I gave him a dog biscuit and we played in Mr Brown's garden. Sparky likes to run and jump. He is very funny. Around 6 o'clock, I gave Sparky his dinner. Then, I stayed with him for an hour. We sat together, and I brushed his fur. He looks so clean and happy after brushing. I put him in his bed and went back home to sleep.

When Mr Brown came back, Sparky was happy to see him! I hope I can look after Sparky again. Looking after Sparky was a lot of work, but helping Mr Brown made me feel really good.

Jamie Fisher, Class 7



EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Choose the correct word or phrase, A, B or C, to complete each statement, 16 to 21.

- 16. Jamie doesn't have a dog but he ____ .
A. likes them **B.** is going to get one **C.** had one in the past
- 17. Mr Brown went away and Jamie looked after Sparky at ____ house.
A. Jamie's **B.** Mr Brown's **C.** another friend's
- 18. Jamie says that at the park, Sparky ____ .
A. caught a ball **B.** played with other dogs **C.** walked a lot
- 19. When Sparky plays in the garden, ____ .
A. Jamie gets tired **B.** Jamie starts to worry **C.** it makes Jamie laugh
- 20. While he was looking after Sparky, Jamie slept ____ .
A. in his own bed **B.** at Mr Brown's house **C.** in a hotel
- 21. Jamie says he wants to ____ in the future.
A. feel better **B.** find a job **C.** look after Sparky

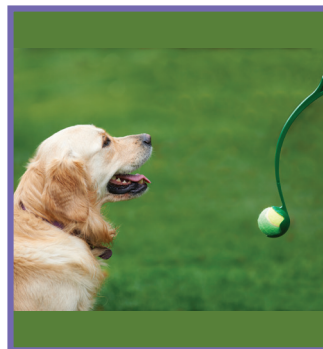
EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Match a time of day from the box, A to E, with each picture, 22 to 25. You will use only four of the letters.



22. ____



23. ____



24. ____



25. ____

- A.** at breakfast time
- B.** in the afternoon
- C.** at midnight
- D.** after breakfast
- E.** in the evening

EXERCISE 2
Numbers: 26 - 30

Be in a film!

EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Choose the correct word to fill each gap. Mark its letter, A to F, on your Answer Sheet. you will use only five of the letters.

Do you want to be in a film? We are going to [26] ___ a film in your town! We need young people to help. We already have the [27] ___, but we need other people around them. This helps the film to seem [28] ___! Tell us why you want to be in our film and [29] ___ us a photo of yourself. You need to be [30] ___ in the second week of August. We can't wait to hear from you!



- A. feel
- B. send
- C. free
- D. actors
- E. make
- F. real

EXERCISE 3
Numbers: 31 - 35

Have my seat!

EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Choose the correct word or phrase to fill each gap. Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.

Yesterday, something nice happened. I was on the bus going home from school. The bus was very full and I saw a woman who was [31] ___ some heavy shopping bags. She also had a little child with her. The woman looked very tired and there were [32] ___ seats.

I [33] ___ down, but when I saw the woman, I stood up. I said to her, "Please have my seat." The woman was very happy. She said, "Thank you" with a big smile. She sat down with her child.

I felt really good for helping. It's nice [34] ___ others. The woman looked much [35] ___. It made my day better too. I think it's important to be kind and help people when we can.



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|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| 31. A. carried | B. carry | C. carrying |
| 32. A. any | B. none | C. no |
| 33. A. was sitting | B. sitting | C. am sitting |
| 34. A. helped | B. help | C. to help |
| 35. A. happy | B. happier | C. happiest |



EXERCISE 4

Numbers: 36 - 40

Shopping

EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Here are some pictures of people shopping. Choose a picture to match each statement. Mark its letter, A to D, on your Answer Sheet. You will use one letter more than once.



36. ___ Let's go and see if they have anything sweet and tasty today!
37. ___ I think these are too big. Do you have a pair in a smaller size?
38. ___ I love this colour and I hope I can find a skirt to go with it.
39. ___ Let me look at my list – meat, cheese, fruit. Yes, I've got everything.
40. ___ Can I have three cakes and a doughnut, please?

EXERCISE 5

Numbers: 41 - 45

Strawberry ice-cream

EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Read the text. Then say if each statement is true or not. Mark A for True and B for False on your Answer Sheet.

Making strawberry ice-cream is fun and easy! You need milk, sugar, and some strawberries. You also need some ice and salt, and two plastic bags, one big and one small.

Cut the strawberries into small pieces.

Put one cup of milk, one spoon of sugar and the strawberries in the small bag. Next, fill the big bag with ice and put a lot of salt in. Put the small bag inside the big bag. Now, close the big bag.

Move the big bag with your hands quickly. The bag gets cold, so gloves are a good idea. The salt makes the ice very cold, and the milk becomes ice-cream! After five minutes, stop moving the bag and open it. Your ice-cream is inside the small bag!

41. ___ In the small bag, you put only milk and sugar.
42. ___ You need to put salt on the strawberries.
43. ___ The small bag goes inside the big bag.
44. ___ Gloves help you hold the cold bag.
45. ___ You move the big bag quickly for five minutes.



PART C WRITING

POINTS: 25

TIME: 30 MINUTES ARE ADVISED

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- You are advised to spend about 30 minutes on this part of the test.
- You may use a blank sheet of paper as a draft.
- Write your task in the space provided on the back of your Answer Sheet in pencil or pen.

You have **ONE** writing task to do.

Choice of **Topic A** OR **Topic B**.

Write your task in about 60-80 words on your Answer Sheet.

CHOICE OF
TOPIC A

You are looking after a cat

INSTRUCTIONS:

Your grandparents are on holiday. You are looking after their cat at your house.

Write an **email** to a friend and tell him/her about it.

In about 60-80 words, answer the following:

- Are you enjoying looking after the cat? Why / Why not?
- What things do you do with the cat?
- Where does the cat sleep?
- What are you going to do later today?

Begin like this: Dear...

Look at the pictures to get some ideas or use any ideas of your own.



friendly / funny / give food / brush fur



sleep in bed / play with toy / have fun

CHOICE OF
TOPIC B**You went to the town centre****INSTRUCTIONS:**

Last weekend, you went to the town centre. Write an **email** to a friend and tell him/her about it.

In about 60-80 words, answer the following:

- Who did you go with?
- What did you do?
- Did you/they buy anything? What?
- Did you enjoy it? Why? / Why not?

Begin like this: Dear...

Look at the pictures to get some ideas or use any ideas of your own.



go for a walk / look at shops /
have lunch / café



go shopping / clothes shop /
cost / have fun