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# Entry TEST

NAME: ..... DATE: .....

CLASS: ..... MARK: 80

(Time: 45 minutes)

Choose the correct item.

- 1 Stop ..... time playing computer games and do your homework!  
A losing B missing C wasting
- 2 Jenny isn't here, she ..... at her friend's house tonight.  
A stays B is staying C will stay
- 3 When we were in Rome, we went on a guided ..... of the city.  
A tour B excursion C expedition
- 4 Since Brian has always been interested in the stars and planets, it's no wonder he chose to study .....  
A Astronomy B Engineering C Chemistry
- 5 Be careful! You ..... into that car!  
A will crash B are crashing C are going to crash
- 6 Can you please get ready? There's ..... time before our guests arrive.  
A a lot of B very little C few
- 7 Little David has ..... much taller since the last time I saw him.  
A developed B increased C grown
- 8 This school ..... in the 1960s.  
A was built B built C had built
- 9 ..... I use your phone, please?  
A Should B Must C May
- 10 When we don't water flowers they .....  
A will die B die C are dying
- 11 Paul ..... going to bed late, so he always feels sleepy at around 11:00 pm.  
A didn't use to B isn't used to C doesn't get used to
- 12 John usually has ..... eggs and some orange juice for breakfast.  
A scrambled B roast C grilled
- 13 Susan's father works as an air traffic ..... at the airport.  
A programmer B warden C controller
- 14 Mark really needs to speak to you. He ..... you every five minutes for the last two hours!  
A 's been calling B 's calling C was calling
- 15 If you buy more than three books at this shop, they ..... you a better price.  
A are giving B would give C will give
- 16 The chicken is OK, but the rice is a little .....  
A raw B overcooked C rare
- 17 James had to ..... schools because his family went to live in a different part of town.  
A leave B move C change
- 18 After the huge earthquake, the small village was left ..... ruins.  
A on B in C by
- 19 Jenna grew tired of her long hair, so she decided ..... short.  
A to be cut B to have it cut C it was cut
- 20 Liz informed us that she ..... tickets to the show yet.  
A hadn't found B didn't find C hadn't been found
- 21 You don't need a ..... to get on the Internet.  
A data B software C password

- 22 Maths ..... my favourite subject when I was at school.  
A has been B were C was
- 23 Can you repeat what you said ....., please?  
A clearer B most clearly  
C more clearly
- 24 Kenneth ..... his hometown since he came to live in the city.  
A hasn't visited  
B hasn't been visiting  
C wasn't visiting
- 25 Are you sure this is ..... leather? It doesn't look like it.  
A original B genuine C realistic
- 26 I usually like eating out, but tonight I'd like ..... at home.  
A eating B I eat C to eat
- 27 Frank ..... for six hours without a break, so he decided to stop somewhere to rest.  
A had been driving B drove  
C was driving
- 28 Stephen is very ..... because he does weightlifting five times a week.  
A plump B overweight C muscular
- 29 You ..... get a taxi to the airport. I'll give you a lift if you want.  
A mustn't B don't have to  
C can't
- 30 Paul wanted to buy that DVD player, so he asked the salesman how much .....  
A did it cost B it cost C it costs
- 31 What would you do if you ..... someone famous?  
A had met B met C would meet
- 32 James spends a lot of time on his computer ..... with his online friends.  
A chatting B telling C texting
- 33 Why go shopping in the city centre when I can find everything I need at my ..... market?  
A native B foreign C local
- 34 The famous tennis player has announced that he will not be taking part in any more .....  
A half-times B championships  
C tournaments
- 35 Cynthia pays 30 euros ..... hour for guitar lessons.  
A a B an C the
- 36 ..... Ted? Let me introduce you to him.  
A Have you met  
B Have you been meeting  
C Do you meet
- 37 Since you lost Lilly's CD, ..... you could do is apologise to her.  
A the least B little C the less
- 38 When Nick's computer broke down it ..... to a technician.  
A had it taken B was taken C had taken
- 39 George ..... abroad before, so he was very excited about his trip to Spain.  
A had never travelled  
B was never travelling  
C had never been travelling
- 40 I asked Joe about the broken window, but he just ..... his shoulders and said nothing.  
A clenched B shrugged C tapped
- 41 The hotel was nearly buried in snow when a(n) ..... hit the small skiing resort.  
A tornado B flood C avalanche
- 42 I'll send you the email as soon as I'm able to ..... to the Internet.  
A connect B download C install
- 43 If Alex hadn't left home so late he ..... his flight.  
A didn't miss  
B wouldn't have missed  
C wouldn't miss



- 44 Lisa asked her brother ..... her computer without asking her first.  
A don't use B not to use C to not use
- 45 Are you sure you feel ..... to come on the picnic with us?  
A enough well B too well C well enough
- 46 I think your ..... shirt will go perfectly with your new jeans.  
A striped cotton blue  
B cotton blue striped  
C blue striped cotton
- 47 It's not worth ..... so much money on a pair of shoes that you'll only wear once or twice.  
A spending B you spend C spend
- 48 The show ..... at 8:00, so we have plenty of time to get to the theatre.  
A has started B is starting C starts
- 49 Lilly ..... have taken up squash; she hates indoor sports.  
A mustn't B can't C shouldn't
- 50 Did Chris himself tell you that he got a pay rise, or did you hear it on the .....?  
A media B grapevine C headlines
- 51 Can you please stop playing that terrible song over and over again? It's ..... me crazy!  
A taking B flying C driving
- 52 ..... you hurry up and get ready, we'll be really late.  
A If B When C Unless
- 53 Badminton is a fun sport, and you don't really need any ..... equipment for it.  
A technical B opposing C physical
- 54 Marshall ..... be less selfish and start caring about other people besides himself.  
A should B needs C ought
- 55 The ..... has decided to make some last-minute changes to tomorrow's front page.  
A producer B editor C director
- 56 Please hurry, sir, all the other passengers have already ..... the plane.  
A caught B boarded C taken
- 57 Robin ..... Karen that she couldn't go to her birthday party.  
A told to B said C told
- 58 Are you sure I still have your book? I remember ..... it to you two weeks ago.  
A returning B to return C return
- 59 They have decided to rebuild the old town library which ..... during the earthquake.  
A drowned B collapsed C cracked
- 60 Do you like the salad? It's made ..... fresh vegetables from our garden.  
A by B of C with
- 61 Although Nathan has a very ..... nose, he's actually quite handsome.  
A bushy B curly C crooked
- 62 Emma has a tough deadline to meet, so she's been working ..... for the last few days.  
A full-time B overtime C part time
- 63 They ..... town for a week, but they haven't visited us yet.  
A have been in B have gone to  
C have been to
- 64 Can you ..... some cheese for the spaghetti, please?  
A pickle B peel C grate
- 65 You need to be less ..... and realise that there is a positive side to everything.  
A insincere B optimistic C pessimistic
- 66 I ..... that you can be so insensitive at a time like this!  
A don't believe  
B 'm not believing  
C wasn't believing
- 67 The ..... we leave, the less traffic we'll find in the streets.  
A early B earlier C earliest



- 68 Helen usually has a small ..... of chocolate after lunch.  
A bar      B loaf      C slice
- 69 I haven't really decided yet, but I think I ..... a party for my birthday.  
A 'm going to have      B 'm having  
C 'll have
- 70 The ..... at the supermarket gave me the wrong change; I gave her a €10 note, but she thought I gave her a €5 one.  
A operator    B cashier    C teller
- 71 Lilly thinks that baggy trousers look ..... ridiculous, so she never wears them.  
A too      B much      C enough
- 72 Don't worry; everyone came in late today, so we're all in the same .....  
A boat      B track      C ship
- 73 What Sonya ..... hate most when she was a nurse were the night shifts.  
A was used to    B got used to    C used to
- 74 David ..... the bank, but he won't be long. Would you like to wait for him?  
A has gone to      B has been in  
C has been to
- 75 Celia ..... about her little brother; it's so annoying to hear the same things every day!  
A had always complained  
B is always complaining  
C will always complain
- 76 Jeremy ..... at the gym every day.  
A works out    B goes      C practises
- 77 Of course you can trust Pete! He's one of the most ..... people I know.  
A patient    B sociable    C reliable
- 78 Stewart wants to get a ..... as an accountant.  
A work      B career      C job
- 79 We were surprised ..... that George was moving to a new school.  
A to hearing    B to hear      C hearing
- 80 Harry's much better at tennis than me; I can never ..... him.  
A win      B beat      C gain

# TEST 1 (Module 1)

NAME: ..... DATE: .....

CLASS: ..... MARK:  $\frac{\quad}{100}$

(Time: 45 minutes)

## Vocabulary

A Fill in the missing word. There are three words you do not need to use.

- march • raised • strong • life • display • make • feel • transformed • return
- bright • street • spare • contest

- Over the years, this organisation has ..... a lot of money for different local charities.
- If you see a spider, ..... sure you don't kill it; I've heard it's bad luck.
- The night sky burst with colour when the magnificent fireworks ..... began.
- Henry really enjoyed the opportunity to experience ..... as a knight at England's Medieval Festival last month.
- Throwing Mum and Dad a surprise party for their anniversary this year is really a ..... idea!
- We always sing Christmas carols during the holidays, as it is a ..... tradition in my family.
- Why don't you take part in the cooking .....? I'm sure you'll be the winner!
- It's amazing how the town residents have ..... the local square into an open-air theatre for next week's music festival.
- Take a ..... change of warm clothes with you on your camping trip; I've heard it gets quite cold in the mountains at night.
- The children were thrilled to see Disney floats at this year's colourful ..... parade.

(Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10 \times 2}$  20)

B Underline the correct item.

- Annabel always makes a wish before she **blows out/lets off** the candles on her birthday cake.
- Bob and Sue always **exchange/receive** gifts with each other on Christmas Eve.
- Many people in the US **dress up/decorate** their Christmas trees with popcorn.
- The Nice Carnival is a winter event which **invites/attracts** millions of festival-goers to France each year.
- The Tulip Festival takes place every May and is one of Holland's most popular **monthly/annual** events.
- Please **remind/remember** me to call Linda tonight. I forgot to tell her about the costume party on Saturday.
- Are Rosie and Sue **winning/entering** the school's singing competition this year?
- Everyone at the party **made/took** a toast to Lisa and wished her a Happy Birthday.
- In many countries around the world, people **throw/pull** streamers and dance in the streets to celebrate New Year's Eve.
- Don't expect the children to wait **patiently/slowly** for the treasure hunt to begin; they're too excited!

(Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10 \times 1}$  10)

## Grammar

## C Choose the correct answer.

- 21 Georgia ..... many fancy dress costumes. Why don't you borrow one from her for tonight's party?  
A is having B has C has had
- 22 ..... stunning costumes they're wearing!  
A What B How C What a
- 23 That dress ..... great on Maria; pink is really her colour.  
A is looking B has been looking  
C looks
- 24 The children ..... in the garden all morning; that's why their clothes are dirty.  
A have played B have been playing  
C play
- 25 The Prague Spring International Music Festival ..... in the middle of May and lasts for about two weeks.  
A starts B is starting  
C has started
- 26 Has Mark found time to buy a costume for the Halloween party .....?  
A just B now C yet
- 27 Kate has not walked under a ladder ..... she heard it was bad luck.  
A for B since C ago
- 28 Why ..... this cheese? Is there something wrong with it?  
A you are smelling  
B do you smell  
C are you smelling
- 29 My brother ..... plays April Fool's jokes on people because he doesn't want to embarrass them.  
A usually B sometimes C never
- 30 Janet ..... about taking part in the Mardi Gras parade next week.  
A think B is thinking C thinks

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{20}$   
10x2 )

D Fill in: *when, who, which, where, whose.*

- 31 John, ..... brother is a clown, is throwing a costume party next week.
- 32 December 25th, ..... Christmas takes place, is also my parents' anniversary.
- 33 Perugia, ..... the Eurochocolate Festival is held every year, is a city in central Italy.
- 34 Lyn is the girl..... is having the party on Friday.
- 35 The costume..... George has chosen for the fancy dress party is very funny.

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10}$   
5x2 )

## Everyday English

E Choose the correct response.

- |    |  |       |   |                                    |
|----|--|-------|---|------------------------------------|
| 36 | I'm a bit anxious about something.         | ..... | A | It's alright. It's quite harmless. |
| 37 | I found 20 pounds in the street!           | ..... | B | That's a load of rubbish!          |
| 38 | Oh, no! There's a huge spider in the bath! | ..... | C | What's the matter?                 |
| 39 | I didn't do well in the competition.       | ..... | D | Lucky you!                         |
| 40 | It's bad luck to break a mirror.           | ..... | E | Better luck next time.             |

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 2}$  )  
10

## Reading

F Read the text and mark the sentences *T* (True), *F* (False) or *Ns* (Not stated).

### *Hanami*: A Flowering Celebration!

The beginning of spring (March-April) is a very special time in Japan, because this is when Japan's famous cherry trees come into flower. The Japanese celebrate this happy time with festivals and flower-viewing parties.

At the end of winter, everyone's excitement starts to grow. The whole country wants to know the exact day when the cherry flowers ('*sakura*') will appear. Starting in February, weathermen try to guess when this day will be.

When the first flowers open on the trees, national joy breaks out! There are rides and games for children in the street, music and dance performances, tea ceremonies, flower displays, and much more. But the most special thing that people do at this time is have 'hanami' parties. *Hanami* means flower watching. In *hanami* parties, families and friends take a picnic and go and sit under a cherry tree to look at and admire the flowers. *Hanami* parties take place during the daytime and also at night, because when it is dark, lights light up the cherry trees.

*Hanami* is very important to the Japanese. Cherry blossoms appear on trees for only one week before they fall to the ground and die, and for the Japanese this symbolises the short nature of childhood and life. So *hanami* is a time when Japanese people like to think about how important life is.



- |    |  |       |
|----|--|-------|
| 41 | Spring is the Japanese people's favourite time of year.          | ..... |
| 42 | It is not easy to know the day the cherry flowers will open.     | ..... |
| 43 | <i>Hanami</i> takes place a week after the cherry trees blossom. | ..... |
| 44 | The cherry flowers do not stay on the trees for very long.       | ..... |
| 45 | When the cherry flowers appear, people hope for long lives.      | ..... |

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 3}$  )  
15



## Listening

G Listen to some people talking on a radio programme about special occasions and match the speakers (1-5) to the statements (A-E).

- |   |              |       |
|---|--------------|-------|
| A This event lasts for seven days.            | 46 Speaker 1 | ..... |
| B This event signals the end of childhood.    | 47 Speaker 2 | ..... |
| C We look very colourful during this event.   | 48 Speaker 3 | ..... |
| D This event goes back to medieval times.     | 49 Speaker 4 | ..... |
| E We become very wet during this celebration. | 50 Speaker 5 | ..... |

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 3}$  15 )

NAME: ..... DATE: .....

CLASS: ..... MARK:  $\frac{\quad}{100}$

(Time: 45 minutes)

## Vocabulary

A Complete the sentences using the appropriate verb from the list below in the correct form.

- do • make • hang out • keep • dust • take • mop

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <p>1 The only thing left to do is ..... the furniture, and then the house will be ready for tonight's party.</p> <p>2 You can't ..... the washing now. It's raining and all the clothes will get wet.</p> <p>3 Timmy likes helping around the house, but he hates having to ..... the rubbish out every night.</p> | <p>4 Take off your shoes before going into the kitchen; Mum has just ..... the floor.</p> <p>5 I don't know how Samantha manages to ..... the ironing so fast; it takes me an hour just to iron two shirts!</p> <p>6 Messy people find it difficult to ..... their rooms tidy.</p> <p>7 Pamela always ..... her bed as soon as she gets up in the morning.</p> |
|--|--|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{7 \times 3}$  )  
21

B Underline the correct item.

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <p>8 Jenny would like a house with a <b>crowded/ spacious</b> study where she can put her big desk and her two big bookcases.</p> <p>9 Dan's muscles <b>relaxed/went</b> soft after his accident, as he was unable to exercise for months.</p> <p>10 Of all the <b>housework/household</b> chores, doing the dishes is the one Jenny hates most.</p> <p>11 David was tired of the noise and pollution of the big city, so he decided to move to a small, <b>isolated/industrial</b> town in the countryside.</p> <p>12 Mrs Finch is very <b>arrogant/nosy</b>; she always peeps at us from behind the curtains to see what we're doing in the garden.</p> | <p>13 Astronauts who work on the International Space Station use a(n) <b>airless/vacuum</b> hose to wash with.</p> <p>14 Ian isn't a very <b>sociable/silly</b> person, as he's not very comfortable with meeting new people.</p> <p>15 Peter and Frank play football at their local football <b>hall/pitch</b> every day.</p> <p>16 Deforestation and the effects of tourism on natural habitats are two of the reasons why many plant and animal species are in danger of becoming <b>extinct/destroyed</b>.</p> <p>17 Objects in space float because of the <b>lack/zero</b> of gravity.</p> <p>18 The astronauts who work on the International Space Station <b>make/do</b> a lot of experiments.</p> |
|---|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{11 \times 1}$  )  
11

## Grammar

C Complete the sentences using the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <p>19 Do you mind ..... (get) off the phone? I need to make a call.</p> <p>20 Sam avoids ..... (shop) at the corner shop because it's a bit expensive.</p> <p>21 George has offered ..... (take) the dog for a walk while I'm busy with the chores.</p> <p>22 They are tired of ..... (live) in the dirty, noisy city, so they've decided to move to the countryside.</p> <p>23 Danny wants ..... (become) an astronaut when he grows up.</p> <p>24 I don't remember ..... (turn) off the lights upstairs. Can you please check?</p> | <p>25 Mark's parents never let him ..... (stay) out late on weeknights.</p> <p>26 John has been working all morning, but he's stopped ..... (have) some lunch.</p> <p>27 Why don't we leave a bit later tomorrow? I can't stand ..... (wake) up early!</p> <p>28 Sarah made her sister ..... (promise) never to take her things again.</p> <p>29 You must ..... (tidy) up your own room. I'm not your slave, you know!</p> |
|--|--|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{11 \times 2}$  )  
22

D Use *too* or *enough* and the words in brackets to complete the sentences.

e.g. Bryan is *too selfish* (selfish) to care about anyone else's problems but his own.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <p>30 The park is ..... (close) to walk to from here.</p> <p>31 Tom is ..... (forgetful) to remember that he has an appointment with the dentist; you'd better remind him.</p> <p>32 One thing that I don't like about this area is that it's ..... (noisy).</p> <p>33 James doesn't like the cottage his parents want to rent for the summer because he doesn't find it ..... (modern).</p> | <p>34 Did you get ..... (sleep) last night? You seem tired.</p> <p>35 Christine is ..... (busy) to babysit for Timmy tonight; she has a lot of homework for tomorrow.</p> <p>36 Our living room isn't ..... (big) for this sofa; we need to get a smaller one.</p> |
|--|--|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{7 \times 2}$  )  
14

## Everyday English

E Complete the exchanges using the phrases below. There is one extra phrase.

- I hope not. • What have I done now? • Sorry! I didn't realise it annoyed you.
- Don't worry about it. • You drive me crazy. • That's not very nice.

37 A: I'm so sorry I broke your CD player.  
B: .....

38 A: I promise that I will never leave the kitchen in such a mess again.  
B: .....

39 A: Mark! Stop playing the music so loudly!  
B: .....

40 A: Peter never tidies his room. He always expects me to do it.  
B: .....

41 A: Joe, come here right now!  
B: .....

## Reading

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10}$  )  
5x2

F Read the text and match the headings (A-F) to the paragraphs (42-46). There is one heading you do not need to use.

- A A CREATIVE USE OF SPACE
- B NOT FOR MESSY PEOPLE
- C TOO MANY CHORES

- D THE ANSWER TO A PROBLEM
- E PERFECT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
- F TINY HOUSES

## Micro HOMES

### ROOM FOR JUST ONE!

42 .....

How would you feel about living in a house that was only 2.6m long by 2.6m wide by 2.6m high? Well, in Europe some people are doing just that. Micro compact ('m-ch') homes are very small homes that are no bigger than the size of a small room!

43 .....

So how do you fit not just a sleeping and living area, but also a study and bathing area into a space that is only 2.6m<sup>3</sup>? Well, in m-ch homes, each area has more than one uses, because you can change the place of the seats, beds and kitchen appliances. So, the dining area (which is also the study area) becomes a sleeping space by sliding the dining table into a wall. And the entrance way doubles as a bathroom - the front door becomes the shower door!

44 .....

The company that makes these tiny homes says that they designed them to solve the difficulty many Europeans have in getting their own home. Too many people cannot afford accommodation in Europe and these low-cost homes are perfect for someone who wants a place where they can live for a short time.

45 .....

The first people to try living in m-ch homes were university students. Students love them because although small, they are very modern with flatscreen TVs and comfortable furniture.

46 .....

So what's 'micro living' like? Well, you have to be a very neat, tidy and organised person, because in order to do one thing, you have to first finish another and put everything away. Also, the lack of space means you can't have many personal items. But if you want a cheap, cosy, modern space that you can call your own, a micro home may be for you!

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10}$  )  
5x2



## Listening

G You will hear an interview between Adam Wilkins, a science teacher and The Science Hour programme host, Jeremy Jenkins. Listen and mark statements 47-50 as *True*, *False*, or *Not stated*.

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|---|---|
| <p>47 The world's population increases by half a billion every year.<br/>A True      B False      C Not stated</p> <p>48 People destroy forests to build factories.<br/>A True      B False      C Not stated</p> | <p>49 Many people do not realise the size of the damage we cause to the environment.<br/>A True      B False      C Not stated</p> <p>50 Water pollution is one of the biggest threats to habitats.<br/>A True      B False      C Not stated</p> |
|---|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{4 \times 3}$  )  
12

NAME: ..... DATE: .....

CLASS: ..... MARK:  $\frac{\quad}{100}$

(Time: 45 minutes)

## Vocabulary

A Choose the correct word to fill in the gaps.

e.g.

**sharp      humped**

- a) The Colossal Squid differs from other types of squids in that it has *sharp* hooks on its tentacles.  
 b) Most descriptions of lake monsters are about creatures with long necks and *humped* backs.

1                      **sightings      sights**

- a) Old castles are very popular ..... in Britain.  
 b) Two fishermen reported ..... of a strange ten-legged creature in the lake yesterday.

2                      **survived      existed**

- a) Although many people say they have seen Bigfoot, there are no fossil remains that prove the creature ever .....  
 b) Can you imagine what would happen if a dinosaur somehow ..... and was still alive today?

3                      **glaring      staring**

- a) Rosie couldn't stop ..... at the beautiful rainbow, as it was the first time she had ever seen one.  
 b) Why are you ..... at Stewart so angrily? Has he done something wrong?

4                      **extinct      mythical**

- a) People thought the Coelacanth was a(n) ..... species of fish, until a fisherman caught one in 1938.  
 b) Annie loves story books about dragons, giants and other ..... creatures.

5                      **spotted      glanced**

- a) When Richard and Ian heard the angry shouts they ..... around the room to see where they were coming from.  
 b) Has the research team ..... anything unusual in the area?

6                      **horrifying      violent**

- a) Last night I dreamt that a ..... whirlpool was pulling me to the bottom of the ocean.  
 b) Andrew's nightmare was absolutely .....; he dreamt that a three-headed monster was approaching him, but he couldn't move.

7                      **reflection      shadow**

- a) The moon was so bright that James could see his ..... in the lake.  
 b) When David saw the ..... of a strange animal in the bushes, he started shaking like a leaf.

8                      **imagination      illusion**

- a) Jonathan's vivid ..... is what makes him able to write spine-chilling ghost stories.  
 b) Did the magician really make the man disappear or was it just an optical .....

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{8 \times 2}$  )  
 16

**B Fill in the missing word. There are three words you do not need to use.**

- similar • giant • lurks • glimpse • dull • appears • alike • mind • corridor • human  
• fantasy • brain • impact

- 9 These two paintings look so much ..... that you have to look really closely to see the few differences they have.
- 10 This couldn't be a(n) ..... print; it's far too wide and half a metre long!
- 11 Eric has a brilliant .....; he's sure to become a famous scientist one day.
- 12 The strange creature disappeared before we managed to catch a ..... of it.
- 13 According to Norwegian legend, the Kraken was a(n) ..... monster that lived in the sea.
- 14 When Natasha is stressed out, she always dreams that a snake-headed monster ..... suddenly and starts chasing her.
- 15 Cubism and Surrealism are two styles of painting that have had a great ..... on modern art.
- 16 Garry really lives in a(n) ..... world! He believes that he will be the one who will take pictures of Bigfoot first!
- 17 I don't like this painting. I think the ..... brown and grey colours the artist has used give it a sad feeling.
- 18 The old castle had a dark, mysterious ..... leading to the dungeons below.

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10 \times 2}$  )  
20

## Grammar

**C Put the verbs into the correct past tense.**

- 19 Benjamin ..... (gasp) in horror when he saw the ghostly figure.
- 20 Claire ..... (drive) along a country road when a huge creature came out of nowhere and fell onto her car.
- 21 While Lisa ..... (read) a book, her brother was listening to music.
- 22 It was the first time that Elizabeth ..... (ever/see) pictures of Bigfoot.
- 23 Sandra ..... (paint) for three years before she sold her first painting.
- 24 Alex didn't go to the photographic exhibition because he ..... (not/finish) his homework.
- 25 The research team ..... (find) an unusual fossil and took it back to the lab to examine it.

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{7 \times 2}$  )  
14

**D Rewrite the sentences using the words in brackets.**

e.g. James believed in ghosts when he was a child. (used to)

*James used to believe in ghosts when he was a child.*

26 When I was still at school, I read a new ghost story every week. (would)

.....  
 .....

27 In the past, my sister made fun of Surrealist paintings, but now she loves them. (used to)

.....  
 .....

28 Eleanor's parents never bought her books about monsters when she was a child. (used to)

.....  
 .....

29 Sally visited her grandparents quite often when she still lived in London. (would)

.....  
 .....

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{4}$  )  
 4x1

**E Underline the correct item.**

30 Our house can't/may be haunted; we've lived here for years and we've never seen or heard anything unusual going on.

31 The style of that painting must/may be Cubism, because the artist has used square and rectangular shapes.

32 It can't/may be a coincidence, but isn't it strange that I was thinking about John at the exact moment he called me?

33 Susan may/must be at the photographic exhibition, but I'm not sure.

34 The magician's assistant hasn't truly disappeared; our eyes may/must be playing tricks on us!

35 You may not/can't have seen a ghost. They're not real!

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{6}$  )  
 6x1

**Everyday English**

**F Choose the correct response.**

36 A: Last night I dreamt that a huge spider was chasing me.

- B: a That's a thought!  
 b What do you think this means?

37 A: I woke up at 2:00 am and couldn't get back to sleep.

- B: a Poor you!  
 b That's a relief!

38 A: Your dream might mean that you'll meet someone new.

- B: a That's horrible!  
 b You can't be serious!

39 A: Do you have any idea what dreaming about wild animals means?

- B: a I can't say for sure.  
 b That can't be right.

40 A: Don't worry, your dream probably means that you're stressed.

- B: a Is everything alright?  
 b Do you really think so?

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10}$  )  
 5x2



## Reading

G Read the text and match the phrases (A-F) to the gaps (41-45). There is one extra phrase.

## Nature's joke? - the strange and wonderful

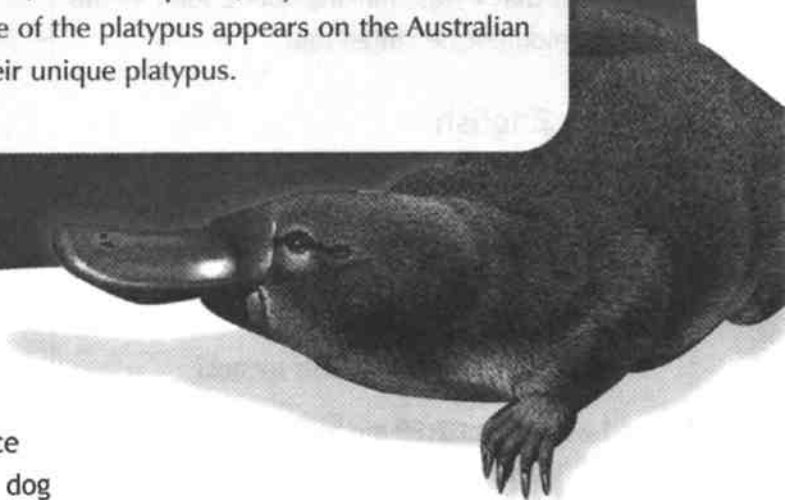
## PLATYPUS

The platypus is a strange little creature found only in Australia. When the first platypus was sent to Europe in the 19th century, the scientists who examined it just could not believe their eyes. They believed the platypus was a joke, **41)** ..... . They thought some fun-loving Australian had put the feet and nose of a duck onto the body of a rat, **42)** .....

But platypuses are real, **43)** ..... . Platypuses have a nose like a duck, webbed feet like a duck, soft brown fur on their body and a long, flat tail like a beaver. As if that weren't strange enough, even though they are mammals (which means they feed their babies milk), platypuses don't give birth to live babies **44)** .....! No wonder scientists couldn't decide for a very long time if platypuses were birds, reptiles or mammals.

But the platypus has even more wonderful characteristics. Platypuses find their food in rivers by using electric fields. And, if they are in danger, male platypuses have sharp hooks on their feet **45)** ..... . It's no surprise then, that this special, shy little animal is one of Australia's most famous creatures. A picture of the platypus appears on the Australian 20 cent coin. Australians are very proud of their unique platypus.

- A but instead lay eggs just like birds
- B because of its extremely strange appearance
- C that produce poison strong enough to kill a dog
- D just to play a trick on them
- E and there is no other creature like them on Earth
- F which makes them part-reptile, part-mammal, part-bird



( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 3}$  )  
15

## Listening

**H** Listen to some people talking on a radio programme about dreams and match the speakers (1-5) to the statements (A-E).

- |   |                     |       |
|---|---------------------|-------|
| <b>A</b> The speaker's dream felt very real.                          | <b>46</b> Speaker 1 | ..... |
| <b>B</b> The speaker believes that dreams have a special meaning.     | <b>47</b> Speaker 2 | ..... |
| <b>C</b> The speaker is describing a dream that he/she has often.     | <b>48</b> Speaker 3 | ..... |
| <b>D</b> The speaker is describing a nightmare he/she had as a child. | <b>49</b> Speaker 4 | ..... |
| <b>E</b> The speaker's dream came true.                               | <b>50</b> Speaker 5 | ..... |

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 3}$  )  
15

NAME: ..... DATE: .....

CLASS: ..... MARK:  $\frac{\quad}{100}$

(Time: 45 minutes)

## Vocabulary

### A Fill in the correct phrase.

- figurative speech • artificial brain • phone line • email account • broadband connection
- emotional response

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <p>1 You can't expect a robot to show a(n) .....! They have no feelings!</p> <p>2 Why don't you get a(n) .....? You'll be able to get on the Internet much faster than you do now.</p> <p>3 I can't send or receive anything over the Internet until I've set up my .....</p> | <p>4 George didn't have an Internet connection, so he checked his ..... to see if it was working.</p> <p>5 Do you believe robots will ever be able to understand idioms or other parts of .....</p> <p>6 Scientists are working on creating a(n) ..... which will make robots think on their own.</p> |
|---|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{6 \times 2}$  )  
12

### B Fill in the correct word. There are three words you do not need to use.

- caters • exists • discover • divided • invented • overcome • subscription • modem
- perform • deletes • become • server • build

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <p>7 Some experts believe that robots with human intelligence will someday ..... a reality.</p> <p>8 Did you know that there are robots which can ..... tasks such as serving tea and vacuuming the carpets?</p> <p>9 John cancelled his monthly ..... to his Internet Service Provider because it was too expensive.</p> <p>10 Experts are ..... as to whether robots will ever take the place of human teachers in the classroom.</p> <p>11 Ben never goes anywhere without his laptop, as it ..... for all his business needs.</p> | <p>12 I don't think that a machine that can think on its own .....</p> <p>13 Timothy can't connect to the Internet because his computer doesn't have a(n) .....</p> <p>14 One of the problems robotics experts have to ..... when creating a household robot is getting it to understand and respond to everyday language.</p> <p>15 Ben used recycled materials to ..... his robot for the science exhibition.</p> <p>16 Andy has ..... a new gadget again; he really loves making things.</p> |
|---|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10 \times 2}$  )  
20

## Grammar

## C Underline the correct verb form.

- 17 The lecture **will have started/starts** at 6 pm so we have plenty of time to get there.
- 18 **Are you showing/Will you show** me how to get free music downloads from the Internet?
- 19 Mark is really good with computers; I'm sure he is **passing/will pass** the IT test tomorrow.
- 20 This time next week, we'll **have attended/'ll be attending** the technology exhibition in Boston.
- 21 The printer is making funny noises; it is **going to break/will break** down again.
- 22 By the end of the year, Eric **will be working/will have been working** on his new computer gadget for almost seven months.
- 23 Mr Higgins is **giving/gives** a demonstration of the new robot tomorrow evening.
- 24 By this time next month, we **will have completed/will be completing** our computer training course.
- 25 I **am installing/will install** the anti-virus software on your computer as soon as I get home tonight, I promise.
- 26 **Do you buy/Are you buying** Peter a new games console for his birthday?

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10}$  )  
10x1

## D Choose the correct answer.

- 27 I will call you when I ..... in London.  
A will arrive    B arrive    C am arriving
- 28 Bob rebooted his computer ..... the screen would stop freezing.  
A in order    B in case    C so that
- 29 The scanner isn't working. When ..... someone to fix it?  
A do you call    B will you call  
C have you called
- 30 Richard is ..... hooked on the Internet that he even does all his shopping online.  
A very    B such    C so
- 31 Christine saved her work on a disc ..... she would have an extra copy if something went wrong with her computer and she lost it.  
A so that    B so as    C in order
- 32 The robots of the future will have ..... amazing abilities that they will be able to do almost anything.  
A such an    B so    C such
- 33 Anne called Frank ..... ask him about her computer problem.  
A so that    B so as    C to
- 34 I will not download the file ..... I've installed anti-virus software.  
A by the time    B until    C while
- 35 Daniel bought a used computer ..... spend all of his savings.  
A in case not    B so as not to  
C in order not

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{18}$  )  
9x2

## Everyday English

E Choose the right response.

- |  |       |   |
|--|-------|---|
| 36 Can you give me a hand with the printer?                                    | ..... | A Have you tried running a search?            |
| 37 Would you agree that many teenagers spend too much time on their computers? | ..... | B I've already tried that and it didn't work. |
| 38 Let me take a look at that computer problem for you.                        | ..... | C That's really kind of you.                  |
| 39 I've lost some files.   | ..... | D Um ... in a way, yes.                       |
| 40 I suggest that you reboot the system.                                       | ..... | E Sure, what's the problem?                   |

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10}$   
5x2 )

## Reading

F Read the text and match the headings (A-F) to the paragraphs (41-45). There is one extra heading you do not need to use.

- |                        |                     |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| A NOT LOOKING YOUR AGE | D NUMBERS DON'T LIE |
| B A DIFFICULT DECISION | E THE NEGATIVE SIDE |
| C AN ANCIENT DESIRE    | F DON'T QUESTION IT |

## Would you want to live...FOREVER?

41 .....

For thousands of years human beings have dreamt of cheating death and the aging process. In their fantasy world, they live forever and remain young and beautiful in old age. Well, it may sound incredible, but there are some scientists who believe that mankind will soon have the technology to make this dream come true!

42 .....

Sounds like science fiction? Maybe. But remember that technology gives us the ability to do things today that people living only a few decades ago would have considered magic. Therefore, there is no reason why we shouldn't believe that experts will make all this possible.

43 .....

Some scientists believe that medical technology is moving so fast that by the end of this century, advanced anti-aging technologies will be available, and it will let people live for hundreds or maybe even thousands of years if they want to. Of course, few people would want to live

to 1000 if they had to spend hundreds of years looking and feeling like a 90-year-old. But some researchers think medicine will be able to keep people looking and feeling as beautiful and fit at 500 years old as they were at the age of 25!

44 .....

Naturally, the possibility of living so long raises many problems. If people don't die, how will the Earth cope when it gets so overcrowded? Many people believe that scientists should not develop anti-aging technology, and that they should let nature take its course, as it has been doing for millions of years.

45 .....

Of course, most scientists believe that humans will never possess such technology. But if living to 1000 becomes possible, do you think it would be a dream ... or a nightmare? And, if you had the choice, would you choose to live forever?

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{15}$   
5x3 )



## Listening

G Listen to some people talking about mobile phones and match the speakers (1-5) to the statements (A-E).

A I only make short phone calls on my mobile.

B I feel that I need my phone too much.

C I spend a lot of money on my mobile phone.

D I don't like the way people phrase text messages.

E Mobile phones are good for reasons of safety.

46 Speaker 1 .....

47 Speaker 2 .....

48 Speaker 3 .....

49 Speaker 4 .....

50 Speaker 5 .....

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 3}$  15 )

NAME: ..... DATE: .....

CLASS: ..... MARK:  $\frac{\quad}{100}$ 

(Time: 45 minutes)

**Vocabulary and Grammar****A Choose the correct item.**

- When Jane was a child, she ..... a lot of books about sea monsters.  
A was having  
B would have  
C used to have
- Can you be a little more careful, please? You ..... coffee on my keyboard.  
A spill      B will be spilling  
C are going to spill
- There have been many reported ..... of Bigfoot all over the world.  
A sights      B sightings      C illusions
- Mark, ..... cousin works on the ISS, wants to become an astronaut too someday.  
A who      B whose      C which
- Experts say machines that will do most chores around the house will soon ..... part of our everyday reality.  
A become      B overcome      C exist
- In the film, a horrifying sea monster creates a ..... whirlpool and pulls three large ships to the bottom of the sea.  
A sharp      B rustling      C violent
- Henry believes that scientists will someday build robots that will be ..... to think on their own.  
A too clever      B enough clever  
C clever enough
- Ever since I changed my ..... to broadband, I can get on the Net much faster.  
A subscription      B connection      C account
- Maria ..... handicrafts for three years before she decided to open up her own pottery shop.  
A was making      B had been making  
C had made
- The atmosphere at the carnival was fantastic; people were throwing ..... and dancing in the streets all night.  
A crackers      B streamers      C fireworks
- Emma is on holiday, so I ..... after her cat until she returns.  
A 'm looking      B look      C 've looked
- ..... creatures such as giants, dragons and sea monsters often appear in Northern European folklore.  
A Optical      B Mythical      C Extinct
- You'd better save your documents ..... the computer crashes.  
A in order that      B in case  
C so that
- Tom finally managed ..... his computer when he had understood the cause of the problem.  
A to fix      B fixing      C to fixing
- We can't log on to the Internet because there is a problem with our phone .....  
A server      B line      C drive

- 16 David ..... of dressing up as a pirate for the Halloween party on Saturday.  
A thinks      B is going to think  
C is thinking
- 17 I'll help you with your homework as soon as I ..... the phone.  
A will get off      B get off  
C am getting off
- 18 Could you take a look at Anne's computer? She ..... to fix it all morning and it still doesn't work.  
A tries      B has tried  
C has been trying
- 19 It ..... have been John who answered the phone last night; I know there was no one else home.  
A must      B can      C may
- 20 Cake sales are a great way to ..... money for charities, as they are inexpensive and easy to organise.  
A win      B raise      C attract
- 21 Susan ..... skydiving before, and she was very excited about her first dive.  
A had never tried  
B has never tried  
C had never been trying
- 22 One of the most exciting events in Berlin's Carnival of Cultures is its colourful, four-day street .....  
A contest      B march      C parade
- 23 This time next month, the astronauts ..... the Earth.  
A will be orbiting      B are orbiting  
C will have orbited
- 24 After doing her chores, Mary went on ..... some phone calls.  
A make      B making      C to make
- 25 Peter and Bob enjoy playing football at their local ..... every Saturday.  
A porch      B pitch      C place
- 26 You can't make George ..... his secret if he doesn't want to.  
A tell      B to tell      C telling
- 27 Jane isn't very .....; she avoids meeting new people or being in public places.  
A silly      B helpful      C sociable
- 28 The robot exhibition was ..... interesting that we're planning to visit it again next week.  
A so      B such an      C such
- 29 Scientists at NASA spent over ten years designing a special pen which can write in ..... gravity.  
A spacious      B zero      C vacuum
- 30 Has Tim ..... living on his own yet?  
A used to      B been used to  
C got used to

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{30 \times 2}$  )  
60

## Reading

B Read the text and match the headings (A-F) to the paragraphs (31-35). There is one heading you do not need to use.

- A DIFFERENT EXPLANATIONS  
 B THE SEARCH CONTINUES  
 C ENVIRONMENTAL DISASTER

- D EYEWITNESS REPORTS  
 E STRANGE SIGHTINGS  
 F LACK OF EVIDENCE

## The Tunguska Explosion

31 .....

A little over 100 years ago, on the morning of 30th June 1908, there was a huge explosion in the sky above the Tunguska River in Siberia. It was as if a giant bomb had gone off over the area. In fact, the explosion was so powerful that it killed 80 million trees, destroying a natural area of over 13,000 square kilometres in size.

32 .....

People who saw the explosion back then all gave similar descriptions of the event: an extremely bright light, as if the sky were on fire, followed by a deafening crashing sound and strong wind. This wind was so strong that it brought down buildings, uprooted trees and knocked people to the ground. Everyone spoke of a giant fireball splitting the sky in two. In fact, the effects of the explosion were so powerful, that they spread as far as Central Asia and Northern Europe.

33 .....

There are many ideas about what happened. These ideas range from the extremely unlikely (a UFO exploded) to the unlikely (a black hole passed through the Earth). But there is one idea that many scientists think may be right. This is that a meteorite (which is a rock from outer space) about 35 metres in length and weighing millions of kilos, entered the Earth's atmosphere that day and exploded.

34 .....

Still, not all scientists think that this explanation can be correct. They pay attention to the fact that no one has ever found a piece of rock from a meteorite on the ground in Tunguska. They also wonder why trees in the area now grow extremely quickly. Not only this, but whatever it was that exploded over Tunguska left no mark behind.

35 .....

In truth, Tunguska remains as much a mystery today as it was 100 years ago. Nevertheless, scientists intend to carry on examining the Tunguska forest and the surrounding area in the hope that one day they will discover the answer to this fascinating mystery.

( Marks:      )  
 5x4 20

## Listening

C You will hear two friends talking. Listen and mark statements 36-40 *True, False or Not stated.*

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <p>36 Anna's mother is celebrating her birthday this Saturday.<br/>A True      B False      C Not stated</p> <p>37 Anna hasn't decided what she wants to buy her mother.<br/>A True      B False      C Not stated</p> <p>38 Sam is playing hockey later today.<br/>A True      B False      C Not stated</p> | <p>39 Sam gave his mother an expensive birthday present last year.<br/>A True      B False      C Not stated</p> <p>40 Sam is going to make a video for his mother's next birthday.<br/>A True      B False      C Not stated</p> |
|---|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{20}$  )  
5x4



NAME: ..... DATE: .....

CLASS: ..... MARK:  $\frac{\quad}{100}$

(Time: 45 minutes)

## Vocabulary

**A Fill in the missing word. There are three words you do not need to use.**

- designing • artistic • still • portray • starring • stunts • remain • private • set
- miniature • plots • spray

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <p>1 No one knows the author's name, as he chooses to ..... anonymous.</p> <p>2 Jonathan absolutely loves adventure films which are ..... in medieval times.</p> <p>3 The children had to sit perfectly ..... while the photographer was taking their picture.</p> <p>4 Some Hollywood actors like to perform their own ....., no matter how dangerous these are.</p> | <p>5 The artist's ..... sculptures are so small that they fit on the top of a pinhead.</p> <p>6 Most of his paintings ..... scenes from the town where he grew up.</p> <p>7 You can't draw graffiti on that man's house, it's ..... property!</p> <p>8 Children often express their ..... creativity through finger painting and drawing.</p> <p>9 Ian loves crime novels because they always have interesting and mysterious .....</p> |
|---|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{9 \times 2}$  18 )

**B Fill in the correct phrase.**

- action-packed • special effects • box office • all-star • potter's wheel • model making

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <p>10 Rick loves ..... films, as they are full of excitement and adventure scenes.</p> <p>11 <i>Shakespeare in Love</i> is a great romantic comedy with an amazing ..... cast including Joseph Fiennes, Gwyneth Paltrow and Geoffrey Rush.</p> <p>12 Steve made a fantastic replica of an ancient ship in ..... class.</p> | <p>13 The ..... in <i>Harry Potter</i> were brilliant; it really looked like the characters could do magic!</p> <p>14 The ..... success <i>Mama Mia</i> made over 69 million pounds in the UK alone.</p> <p>15 Claire made a beautiful clay vase on the ..... we gave her for her birthday.</p> |
|--|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{6 \times 2}$  12 )

## Grammar

C Complete the sentences using the correct form of the words in brackets.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <p>16 John is by far the ..... (talented) pupil in the art class.</p> <p>17 Which of Beethoven's compositions do you think is the ..... (famous) ?</p> <p>18 Sue has been practicing a lot, so her artwork is getting ..... (good) and ..... (good) all the time.</p> <p>19 That's the ..... (bad) film I've ever seen; the characters were shallow and the ending was dull and predictable.</p> | <p>20 Nick sculpts much ..... (accurately) than I do because he pays attention to every little detail.</p> <p>21 The ..... (much) Anne practiced, the ..... (easy) it became for her to paint portraits.</p> <p>22 The author's book is quite good, but it's not as ..... (interesting) as his last novel.</p> <p>23 Willard Wigan's sculptures are the ..... (tiny) works of art in the world.</p> |
|--|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{8 \times 2}$  16 )

D Underline the correct item.

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| <p>24 We left in the middle of the film because it was <u>extremely/completely</u> slow-paced.</p> <p>25 Tim <u>would sooner/would prefer</u> see a science fiction film than a comedy.</p> <p>26 The theatre was <u>totally/fairly</u> empty, as they had cancelled Monday night's performance.</p> <p>27 Sarah is <u>slightly/totally</u> nervous about singing in front of a live audience tomorrow night.</p> <p>28 We <u>would prefer/would rather</u> go to a classical music concert than go to a rock concert.</p> <p>29 The Sydney Opera House is a <u>very/completely</u> famous theatre in Australia.</p> | <p>30 It's <u>fairly/completely</u> impossible to find tickets to the ballet.</p> <p>31 Jane <u>would rather/would prefer</u> to take pottery classes than learn how to sculpt.</p> <p>32 It was <u>absolutely/rather</u> late, so Annabel put her paintbrushes away and decided to stop painting for the day.</p> <p>33 Olga <u>prefers/would rather</u> going to the cinema on a weekday, when it's not so crowded.</p> |
|--|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10 \times 1}$  10 )

## Everyday English

E Complete the dialogue using the phrases below.

- What do you think of Mozart? • Sure, count me in! • I absolutely love it!
- What sort of music do you like? • I can't make it, I'm afraid.

Chris: Hey, Pete. We're all going to a jazz concert tonight. Do you want to come with us?

Pete: 34) ..... And to be honest, I'm not too keen on jazz.

Chris: I didn't know that. 35) .....

Pete: Actually, I'm really into classical music.

Chris: I like that too. 36) .....

Pete: My favourite!

Chris: Well, that's great, because I have tickets to *The Magic Flute*. Do you like it?

Pete: 37) .....

Chris: So, do you fancy coming to that?

Pete: 38) .....

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 3}$  15 )

## Reading

F Read the text and answer the questions that follow.

## WEEKEND ARTS REVIEW: FILMS

A

### The Class

*The Class* is about a young teacher who works at a school in a poor area of Paris and his difficult students. The story was originally a book written by François Bégaudeau. The film tells the sad story of how a teacher tries to teach his class of teenage students but fails, because the students don't respect education or teachers, and because they have no desire to learn. Everyone who stars in the film (including Bégaudeau, who plays himself) is a non-professional. People expect *The Class* to be boring because the teacher-student theme has appeared in films many times before, but it isn't. It is an absolutely brilliant film and no one should miss it.

B

### Slumdog Millionaire

Director Danny Boyle's *Slumdog Millionaire* is the story of Jamal, a poor boy in India, who goes on the TV show 'Who wants to be a millionaire?'. The story was originally a prize-winning novel by Indian author Vikas Swarup. Jamal wins the TV show. But before he does, they take him to a police station because the police think that he is cheating. While the police ask Jamal questions, we see events from Jamal's life which explain why he knows the answers. At one point, the creators of *Slumdog Millionaire* had decided not to show it in film theatres, and just make it into a DVD. Luckily they changed their minds, because this film is now an international hit!

C

### American Teen

*American Teen* is a documentary film by director Nanette Burstein. Burnstein filmed the lives of five teenagers, who go to a school in Indiana, USA. She followed the students filming their everyday lives for a year, because she wanted to show what it is like to be a teenager in America today.

*American Teen* is an enjoyable documentary, but sometimes it doesn't feel true to life. In fact, some film critics think that Burstein gave the teens lines to learn. But in interviews, the teenagers have always said that the film is 100% real-life and no one is acting.

Whether real-life or not, *American Teen* is an entertaining look at young people today.

Which film (A, B, or C) ...

- 39 is extremely popular all over the world? .....
- 40 is about someone trying but not succeeding? .....
- 41 does not seem realistic to some people? .....
- 42 was first a very successful book? .....
- 43 is about daily life experiences? .....
- 44 is interesting even though the plot is not original? .....
- 45 was not going to play in cinemas at first? .....

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{14}$  )  
7x2

## Listening

G Listen to some people talking about music on a radio programme and match the speakers (1-5) to the statements (A-E).

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|---|--|----|-----------|-------|
| A | The speaker enjoys going to concerts.                                    | 46 | Speaker 1 | ..... |
| B | The speaker is not sure he/she is talented enough.                       | 47 | Speaker 2 | ..... |
| C | The speaker only likes listening to a particular type of music.          | 48 | Speaker 3 | ..... |
| D | The speaker's family inspired him/her to become a professional musician. | 49 | Speaker 4 | ..... |
| E | The speaker feels nervous about performing in public.                    | 50 | Speaker 5 | ..... |

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 3}$  )  
15

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| NAME: .....  | DATE: .....                                    |
| CLASS: ..... | MARK: <u>    </u><br>100<br>(Time: 45 minutes) |

## Vocabulary

### A Circle the correct answer.

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|---|--|
| <p>1 The postal ..... delivered the parcels yesterday morning.<br/>A officer      B worker      C attendant</p> <p>2 Mr Anderson is giving a presentation on green transport at the town ..... this evening.<br/>A station      B office      C hall</p> <p>3 Sarah has joined a community action group which helps find foster ..... for animals that have nowhere to live.<br/>A homes      B shelters      C farms</p> <p>4 A number of students in our school ..... old books and school supplies to local charities every year.<br/>A donate      B encourage      C support</p> <p>5 John looked after the injured bird until it made a ..... recovery.<br/>A natural      B full      C worthwhile</p> | <p>6 Ian couldn't drive in the rain because one of his windscreen ..... was broken.<br/>A wipers      B headlights      C seats</p> <p>7 Cindy ..... into tears when a car almost hit her dog as it ran into the street.<br/>A took      B made      C burst</p> <p>8 My grandmother has joined a senior ..... club, where she can go on trips and do interesting activities with other people around the same age as her.<br/>A members      B citizens      C persons</p> <p>9 Although you can't really tell by her untidy desk, Kate is actually a very ..... secretary who does her job well and quickly.<br/>A efficient      B organised      C practical</p> |
|---|--|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{9 \times 2}$  )  
18

### B Underline the correct word.

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|---|---|
| <p>10 We had been driving for an hour before we found a petrol <b>stop/station</b> to fill the car with fuel.</p> <p>11 Sharon loves children and often <b>gets involved/volunteers</b> with children's charities.</p> <p>12 I think the <b>secretary/cashier</b> at the supermarket made a mistake and gave me more change than she should have.</p> | <p>13 When you get to Sheffield, just follow the street <b>signals/signs</b> telling you which direction to take to get to the university.</p> <p>14 Thomas is an excellent surgeon, as he has a lot of experience and very <b>skilful/careful</b> hands.</p> |
|---|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 1}$  )  
5



## Grammar

## C Fill in the correct passive form of the verbs in brackets.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <p>15 The Eiffel Tower ..... (visit) by about six million people each year.</p> <p>16 The exhibits in the museum must not ..... (touch).</p> <p>17 Luckily, the fire ..... (put out) before anyone got hurt.</p> <p>18 Jason believes that all types of public transport ..... (power) by natural gas in the future.</p> | <p>19 You don't need to go to the post office. The parcel ..... (already/send).</p> <p>20 A new swimming pool ..... (build) in the leisure centre last month.</p> |
|--|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{6 \times 2}$  )  
12

## D Rewrite the sentences using the causative.

e.g. Brian's mum is going to lengthen his jeans.  
*Brian is going to have his jeans lengthened.*

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <p>21 A professional painter is drawing Jane's portrait. Jane .....</p> <p>22 A famous architect has designed Lucy's London flat. Lucy .....</p> | <p>23 Susie's father will fix the handlebars on her bike. Susie .....</p> <p>24 The doctor examined Jennifer's arm yesterday. Jennifer .....</p> |
|--|--|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{4 \times 2}$  )  
8

E Fill in: *however, whenever, whichever, whatever* or *wherever*.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <p>25 ..... country she visits, Ann always buys a souvenir to take back home with her.</p> <p>26 ..... you do, don't forget to take a seaplane tour while you're in Sydney; you'll have an amazing time.</p> <p>27 Annabel's puppy follows her ..... she goes.</p> | <p>28 ..... busy you are, you can always find a little extra time to help out in your community.</p> <p>29 Alex always visits Palermo ..... he's in Italy.</p> |
|--|--|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 3}$  )  
15

## F Complete the sentences using the correct reflexive pronoun.

e.g. The kitten is too young to take care of *itself*.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <p>30 The Andersons renovated their summer house ..... because it was cheaper than hiring someone to do it.</p> <p>31 I made the costumes for the charity Fun Festival .....</p> | <p>32 Behave ..... children, or we'll leave the party immediately.</p> <p>33 We were very pleased with ..... when we found the puppy a new home.</p> <p>34 The dog's owner ..... has admitted that he hasn't been taking very good care of his dog.</p> |
|--|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 1}$  )  
5

## Everyday English

G Complete the exchanges using the phrases below. There is one extra phrase.

- Yes, there's one just around the corner.
- No, just a ten-minute walk away.
- Is it a long way from here?

- Of course. Where are you going?
- Go past the bank and turn left into Smith Street.
- About every ten minutes.

35 A: How often do the buses to the city centre run?

B: .....

38 A: Is there a toy store around here?

B: .....

36 A: Excuse me, could you tell me the way to the police station?

B: .....

39 A: The department store is on Nicholson Street, across the park.

B: .....

37 A: Is the library far from here?

B: .....

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10}$   
5x2 )

## Reading

H Read the text and match the headings (A-F) to the paragraphs (40-44). There is one extra heading you do not need to use.

- A GOOD TIMES, BAD TIMES
- B DEALING WITH A PROBLEM
- C AN IMPRESSIVE ATMOSPHERE

- D STAYING TRUE TO THE PAST
- E INTERNATIONALLY FAMOUS
- F A QUESTION OF MONEY

## The Bolshoi Theatre

40 .....

The Bolshoi Theatre — one of the world's biggest and most spectacular theatres — is known in all four corners of the world as the home of the outstanding Bolshoi Opera and Ballet companies.

41 .....

Located near Red Square in Moscow, the Bolshoi Theatre was built in 1824. Over 2,000 people can sit inside this magnificent theatre on red velvet seats, underneath elaborate lights and beautiful gold decorations. It is simply impossible not to be amazed by a visit to the incredible Bolshoi Theatre — and that's before a performance has even begun!

42 .....

During its long history, the theatre has seen performances by some of Russia's most famous artists and by some of the world's best-loved composers. It has also survived some

tough moments: three fires, the construction of the Moscow metro line underneath it and bombing during the war.

43 .....

In 2005, engineers announced that the Bolshoi Theatre was extremely unstable and that it could fall down at any time. So that same summer, the theatre was closed and repair work began at great cost. Currently, the reconstruction of the Bolshoi Theatre is expected to be completed around 2011.

44 .....

When the theatre reopens, several things will have changed. But one thing won't, which is the theatre's appearance. Every step is being taken to make absolutely certain that this magnificent theatre, when it reopens, will look exactly as it always did.



( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{15}$   
5x3 )

## Listening

I You will hear two friends talking. Listen and mark statements 45-48 *True, False* or *Not stated*.

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|--|--|
| <p>45 At the moment, Alex's Wednesday afternoons are free.<br/>A True      B False      C Not stated</p> <p>46 Ben volunteers at the hospital a couple of nights a week.<br/>A True      B False      C Not stated</p> | <p>47 Ben's mother is a doctor.<br/>A True      B False      C Not stated</p> <p>48 Alex says that he would like to be a hospital volunteer too.<br/>A True      B False      C Not stated</p> |
|--|--|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{4 \times 3}$  12 )

NAME: ..... DATE: .....

CLASS: ..... MARK:  $\frac{\quad}{100}$

(Time: 45 minutes)

## Vocabulary

**A Fill in the missing word. There are three words you do not need to use.**

- thirsty • burn • embarrassed • chewing • beat • sweat • screamed • tasty
- roast • eating • home-made • cut • starving • bite • shaking

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <p>1 On cold winter nights, Joanna likes to sit by the fire and eat a bowl of hot ..... soup.</p> <p>2 I love ..... bread! It's so much better than what we buy at the bakery.</p> <p>3 When I was young, we always had ..... beef and mashed potatoes for Sunday dinner.</p> <p>4 Rick hasn't eaten anything all day; I'm sure he's .....!</p> <p>5 It's bad enough that Tim is so afraid of flying that thinking about it makes him .....</p> <p>6 If you want to lose weight, you should ..... down on sweets and exercise more.</p> <p>7 The best way to ..... calories is to exercise and drink plenty of water.</p> | <p>8 David was very nervous about giving a speech in class, and started ..... like a leaf.</p> <p>9 Tracy is so afraid of being in enclosed spaces that just thinking about getting into a lift makes her heart ..... faster.</p> <p>10 Parents can teach their children good ..... habits by offering them healthy food choices.</p> <p>11 Mum jumped on a chair and ..... loudly when she saw a mouse in the kitchen.</p> <p>12 Jason is eating so fast that it looks like he's not even ..... his food!</p> |
|---|--|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{12 \times 2}$  )

**B Underline the correct item.**

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|---|--|
| <p>13 Are you sure Phillip <b>joined/took up</b> mountain climbing? I thought he was scared of heights.</p> <p>14 Anne is thinking about <b>putting on/going on</b> a diet, as she wants to lose some weight.</p> <p>15 Kate tries to avoid <b>desserts/snacks</b> such as crisps and biscuits, as they are unhealthy and only make her hungrier.</p> | <p>16 Fear is a basic <b>human/nervous</b> emotion which is often accompanied by panic or shock.</p> <p>17 Carrots improve your eyesight, as they are <b>rich/full</b> in vitamins A and C.</p> <p>18 Jim <b>leads/passes</b> such a busy life that he rarely finds time to work out at the gym.</p> |
|---|--|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{6 \times 2}$  )

## Grammar

## C Fill in the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <p>19 If I ..... (be) you, I would be very careful; there are poisonous snakes in this area.</p> <p>20 If grass isn't watered, it ..... (not/grow).</p> <p>21 The cat ..... (not/scratch) Harry if he hadn't tried to pull its tail.</p> <p>22 Your headache will go away if you ..... (take) some aspirin.</p> | <p>23 If I ..... (eat) breakfast this morning, I would have been able to concentrate better on my maths test.</p> <p>24 Never follow a particular diet unless you ..... (discuss) it with your doctor first.</p> <p>25 If George ..... (exercise) regularly, he would be in better shape.</p> <p>26 The operator ..... (connect) you to the emergency service you want if you dial 999.</p> |
|---|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{8 \times 2}$  16 )

## D Fill in the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

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|---|--|
| <p>27 Ann wishes she ..... (have) more time so that she could take up a sport.</p> <p>28 If only Timothy ..... (use) his common sense more often.</p> <p>29 Alan wishes he ..... (bring) some warm clothes with him so that he wouldn't feel so cold.</p> | <p>30 Jane wishes she ..... (take) the self-defence class when she had the chance.</p> <p>31 If only I ..... (not/be) tired all the time; maybe I should get more sleep.</p> |
|---|--|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 2}$  10 )

## E Underline the correct item.

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|---|---|
| <p>32 Facing your phobias instead of avoiding them <b>might/ought</b> help you overcome your fears.</p> <p>33 You <b>mustn't/don't have to</b> approach a wild animal; they can be very unpredictable.</p> <p>34 You <b>needn't/can't</b> be an expert in karate to learn how to defend yourself.</p> | <p>35 If you don't know the correct answer in a test, use your intuition; it <b>may/needs</b> help you.</p> <p>36 If someone tries to snatch your bag, you <b>shouldn't/don't have</b> put up a fight; just run away.</p> |
|---|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 2}$  10 )



## Everyday English

F Choose the correct response.

- |    |   |   |  |
|----|---|---|--|
| 37 | Emergency Services. Which service do you require? .....                 | A | Just a moment, please.                       |
| 38 | Can I speak to a police officer, please? .....                          | B | Fire Service, please.                        |
| 39 | What is the nature of the emergency? .....                              | C | No, sorry. You've got the wrong number.      |
| 40 | Ambulance service? My brother's fallen down the stairs. He's hurt. .... | D | There is a person stuck in the lift.         |
| 41 | Is that 999, Emergency Services? .....                                  | E | Help is on the way. Please stay on the line. |

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10}$   
5x2 )

## Reading

G Read the text and fill in the gaps (42-46) with the phrases (A-F). There is one phrase you do not need to use.

# JUNK FOOD

It is a sad reality that children all around the world are putting on more and more weight, **42)** ..... . Unhealthy meals and snacks are freely available in many primary and secondary schools, which raises the serious question of whether schools should ban junk food in order to help children keep their weight down.

There are some good reasons for banning junk food in schools. For instance, eating junk food has been shown to cause nervousness and bad behaviour in children. Children would behave and perform better in the classroom **43)** ..... . In addition, given a choice between junk food and healthy food, a child will always choose junk food. As eating too much junk food can cause serious diseases, it is inappropriate that schools offer children junk food, **44)** ..... .

There are also, however, very good reasons for not banning junk food in schools. For example, telling a young child that they are not allowed to have a particular type of food simply makes that food more appealing to the child. So, a ban could in fact increase the appeal of junk food. What is more, as children will still be able to get junk food outside of school, banning it in schools will do little good, **45)** ..... .

All in all, the strong arguments on both sides of the debate make it clear that it is difficult to decide if banning junk food in schools is a good idea. It seems unlikely, however, that 'hiding' foods from children will do much good. What seems more likely to work is educating children about healthy eating habits. Parents have the greatest influence over a child's eating habits, thus it is perhaps in the home **46)** ..... .

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|---|---|
| <p>A if junk food wasn't available in schools</p> <p>B which might mean that weight levels will go down</p> <p>C and many health experts say junk food is responsible</p> | <p>D and not in schools, where food education must take place</p> <p>E as it is their job to protect and care for children</p> <p>F as this action will not change children's general eating habits</p> |
|---|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10}$   
5x2 )

## Listening

H Listen to two friends talking and mark statements 47-50 *True, False* or *Not stated*.

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|---|---|
| <p>47 Ian's parents want him to get his dog from an animal shelter.<br/>A True    B False    C Not stated</p> <p>48 Claire is afraid even when she sees a drawing of a dog.<br/>A True    B False    C Not stated</p> | <p>49 Ian thinks it's a mistake for Claire to stay away from dogs.<br/>A True    B False    C Not stated</p> <p>50 John's fear of dogs is even worse than Claire's.<br/>A True    B False    C Not stated</p> |
|---|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{8}$  )  
4x2

NAME: ..... DATE: .....

CLASS: ..... MARK:  $\frac{\quad}{100}$

(Time: 45 minutes)

## Vocabulary

**A Fill in the missing word. There are three words you do not need to use.**

- total • first aid kit • experience • sprained • bruised • face
- bump • survived • cast • sling • map • rucksack

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|--|---|
| <p>1 David carries most of his camping supplies in his .....</p> <p>2 I don't think we're going in the right direction; according to the ....., we should be heading south.</p> <p>3 Your ankle looks swollen; are you sure you haven't ..... it?</p> <p>4 It was a ..... miracle that Liz recovered from her spinal injury, as she was not expected to ever walk again.</p> <p>5 Jack has a ..... on his leg because he broke it skateboarding.</p> | <p>6 Everyone should have a ..... in their homes, as small injuries or accidents can happen at any time.</p> <p>7 Helen Keller not only managed to ..... her own challenges, but she also helped and inspired many other people with disabilities.</p> <p>8 John's eye was badly ..... when he was accidentally hit by the ball during baseball practice.</p> <p>9 It's amazing that Mike ..... the skydiving accident; he fell 1000 metres when his parachute failed to open and just broke his leg!</p> |
|--|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{9 \times 2}$  )  
18

**B Underline the correct item.**

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|--|---|
| <p>10 Tim climbed up the tree and <b>recovered/</b> <b>rescued</b> the kitten.</p> <p>11 Experts say that <b>ointment/sunscreen</b> should be used daily if we are out in the sun longer than 10 minutes.</p> <p>12 Why is Alicia wearing a(n) <b>sling/ice-pack</b> on her arm? Did she break it?</p> | <p>13 Sarah found a(n) <b>harmed/injured</b> bird and took it to the vet.</p> <p>14 He decided to go surfing <b>instead of/besides</b> rock climbing.</p> |
|--|---|

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 1}$  )  
5

**Grammar**

**C Rewrite the sentences into reported speech.**

15 "Have you ever travelled to a foreign country?"  
Joan asked Sam.

.....  
.....

16 "Don't be late for dinner," Mum told me.

.....  
.....

17 "We can't go whitewater rafting this weekend," James and Lilly said.

.....  
.....

18 "Andrew took up trekking three years ago,"  
Liz said.

.....  
.....

19 "Mark will begin kitesurfing lessons in summer,"  
Lee said.

.....  
.....

20 "The children are going on a roller coaster ride tomorrow," Sandy told me.

.....  
.....

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{12}$   
6x2 )

**D Rewrite the following sentences into reported speech using the verbs in brackets.**

e.g. "I think you should see a doctor about that cut on your leg," Cynthia said to Sam. (advised)  
*Cynthia advised Sam to see a doctor about that cut on his leg.*

21 "I can't be at basketball practice because I broke my arm," Bill said. (explained)

.....  
.....

22 "I will not pay for your skydiving lessons, Tom," Anne said. (refused)

.....  
.....

23 "I'll help you with your application form," Mary said to Sarah. (offered)

.....  
.....

24 "Don't play with that pen knife, children," Dad said. (warned)

.....  
.....

25 "My throat's feeling sore," Jennifer said. (complained)

.....  
.....

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{15}$   
5x3 )

**E Underline the correct item.**

26 Can you tell James that there's **someone/ anyone** on the phone for him?

27 **Everyone/Someone** in the trekking club loves extreme sports.

28 Researchers come from **everywhere/nowhere** to explore Antarctica.

29 There is **something/nothing** wrong with your wrist; it's not even swollen.

30 Helping out at the animal shelter is so easy that **anyone/no one** can do it.

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5}$   
5x1 )

**F Fill in the appropriate question tag.**

31 Mike likes extreme sports, .....?

32 Henry has never been kitesurfing, .....?

33 It was an inspiring story, .....?

34 A compass always points to the north, .....?

35 Let's apply for the volunteer position, .....?

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10}$   
5x2 )

## Everyday English

G Complete the exchanges using the phrases below. There is one extra phrase.

- Oh, dear! What happened? • Ouch! That hurt! • Oh, that's good.
- Get well soon. • Yes, it really hurts. • Hmm ... I don't know.

36 A: You got a very bad sunburn at the beach.

B: .....

37 A: My karate teacher says I've made a lot of improvement.

B: .....

38 A: What do you think about us joining an extreme sports club?

B: .....

39 A: John's in hospital with a broken leg.

B: .....

40 A: I've been under the weather for the past few days.

B: .....

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10}$   
5x2 )

## Reading

H Read the text and mark the sentences T (True), F (False) or Ns (Not stated).

### Aim for the stars!

Richard Branson is one of England's most successful businessmen. He has started more than 360 businesses, built up a personal fortune of more than £3 billion, and is the 20th richest person in Britain today. Not bad for a man who still couldn't read at the age of eight, and for whom school wasn't just a challenge — it was a nightmare.

Richard Branson has dyslexia — a condition which makes it very difficult to learn to read, write and spell correctly. Doctors say that about 10% of the population has dyslexia. However, when Richard was young, no one from his school or family environment realised the sort of problems he was trying to deal with when it came to reading and writing properly. Back then, people didn't know that dyslexia was a learning disorder. Everyone just thought people with dyslexia were not very clever.

Richard was embarrassed by the problems he had with his schoolwork, and had a very difficult time in school. But he was determined not to let his learning disability prevent him from succeeding in life. So, he concentrated on his other qualities such as his creativity, as well as his ability to inspire people and make them enthusiastic about trying their best. And by doing so, he found great success.

Richard says that dyslexia is a challenge, but it is also a gift. People who have dyslexia have to deal with many challenges and often experience and see the world in a different way. He adds that the ability to see things differently is a great advantage in life.

'My interest in life comes from setting myself huge, apparently impossible challenges and trying to achieve them', he says. Richard shows that we should all aim for the stars!

41 At the age of eight, Richard was having bad dreams about school. ....

42 Richard's teachers understood that he had learning difficulties. ....

43 Richard had to see a special doctor about his learning disorder. ....

44 Richard has a talent for encouraging others to do well in something. ....

45 Richard enjoys trying to achieve goals that seem hopeless. ....

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{10}$   
5x2 )

## Listening

I Listen to some people talking about facing challenges and match the speakers (1-5) to the statements (A-E).

- |  |              |       |
|--|--------------|-------|
| A The speaker likes setting him/herself new goals.                             | 46 Speaker 1 | ..... |
| B The speaker believes that being hopeful is the key to overcoming challenges. | 47 Speaker 2 | ..... |
| C The speaker challenges him/herself to overcome his/her fears.                | 48 Speaker 3 | ..... |
| D The speaker did something that he/she didn't think he/she could do.          | 49 Speaker 4 | ..... |
| E The speaker overcame his/her problem with the help of family and friends.    | 50 Speaker 5 | ..... |

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{5 \times 3}$  )  
15



NAME: ..... DATE: .....

CLASS: ..... MARK:       
100

(Time: 45 minutes)

## Vocabulary and Grammar

### A Choose the correct item.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <p>1 That's the school ..... parade float won first prize last year.<br/>A which      B that      C whose</p> <p>2 Make sure you include ..... in your daily diet.<br/>A too protein   B protein enough<br/>C enough protein</p> <p>3 If you're looking for a dog, why don't you get one from the animal .....?<br/>A hall      B shelter      C station</p> <p>4 Sue asked the police officer where ..... her stolen car.<br/>A they had found<br/>B did they find<br/>C had they found</p> <p>5 We want to have a beach party so we can say a(n) ..... goodbye to summer, before we start school.<br/>A end      B final      C finally</p> <p>6 Tom is really afraid of dogs, and every time he sees one he just .....<br/>A freezes      B embarrasses<br/>C teases</p> <p>7 Don't forget to call Mr Smithers when you ..... to the office.<br/>A get      B will get      C are getting</p> <p>8 With four little children running around, it's not always easy for Sarah to ..... the house tidy.<br/>A keep      B make      C do</p> | <p>9 After Barney ..... his chores, he had some rest.<br/>A had been doing      B was doing<br/>C had done</p> <p>10 Jane ..... five of her paintings so far, but she hopes she'll sell more.<br/>A is only selling      B has only sold<br/>C only sells</p> <p>11 Wasn't it very kind of Nick ..... us move the furniture?<br/>A to help      B help      C helping</p> <p>12 If only I ..... so much homework to do! I'd love to go out with my friends.<br/>A wouldn't have      B hadn't had<br/>C didn't have</p> <p>13 I can't come to the cinema tonight; I ..... to a fancy dress party with my brother later.<br/>A have gone      B am going      C go</p> <p>14 You've managed to make your little sister cry! Are you happy with ..... now?<br/>A herself      B yourself      C yourselves</p> <p>15 Since there is ..... gravity in space, astronauts have to strap everything down so it doesn't float away.<br/>A vacuum      B airless      C zero</p> <p>16 They managed to catch a ..... of the dolphin before it disappeared back into the water.<br/>A glimpse      B sighting      C look</p> |
|--|--|

- 17 Don't worry, it's just a scratch. Clean it, put a ..... on it and you'll be fine.  
A cast      B sling      C plaster
- 18 Sam still has some difficulty ..... portraits, but he'll improve with practice.  
A to paint      B to painting      C painting
- 19 If I ..... you, I'd cut down on all that junk food.  
A had been      B were      C would be
- 20 Do you think that robots will ever be able to ..... more complicated tasks such as driving or flying a plane?  
A exist      B overcome      C perform
- 21 That cut on your arm looks bad; you need to ..... by a doctor.  
A have seen it  
B have been seen  
C have it seen
- 22 Jane forgot ..... Stephen to the party, so she sent him another invitation.  
A inviting      B invited      C to invite
- 23 What time ..... Susan to her piano lesson this afternoon?  
A are you taking  
B do you take  
C will you take
- 24 By the time Linda gets here, we ..... for her for more than an hour.  
A have been waiting  
B will have been waiting  
C are going to wait
- 25 We'd better book tickets to the show now, ..... the concert sells out.  
A so that      B in order      C in case
- 26 Though the film has a(n) ..... cast, it hasn't received very good reviews.  
A all-star      B box office  
C action-packed
- 27 Sally is ..... person I've ever met; she hardly talks to anyone.  
A a most shy      B the shyer      C the shyest
- 28 The neglected puppies ..... from their irresponsible owner.  
A were removed  
B had removed  
C were removing
- 29 You can't invite ..... you want to the party! We can only have twenty guests.  
A whichever      B whenever      C whoever
- 30 This dress looks ..... perfect on you; you should buy it.  
A very      B absolutely      C extremely

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{60}$  )  
30x2

## Reading

B Read the text and mark statements 31-35 T (True), F (False) or Ns (Not stated).

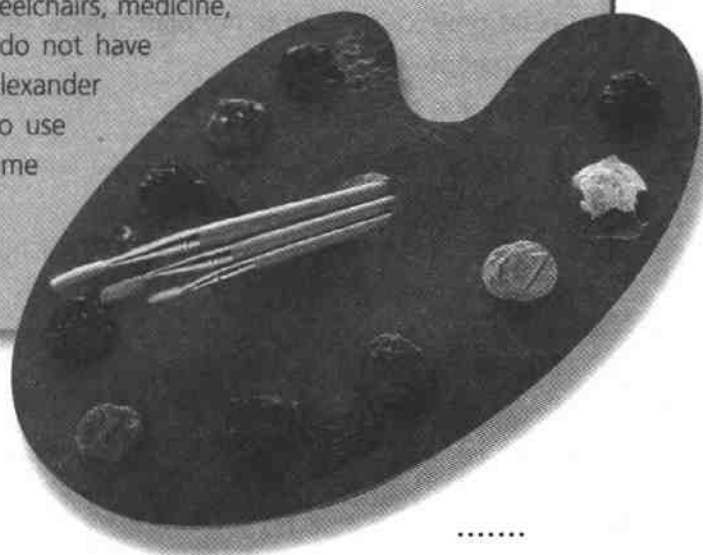
## ALEXANDER VEREINOV

History has proven time and time again that there are people who can rise above difficulties and face great challenges in a way that is inspiring to all. Many people with serious disabilities often manage to not only look past their condition, but even go on to achieve greatness. Two shining examples of this are Ludwig van Beethoven and Helen Keller.

Another brilliant case is that of Alexander Vereinov, a famous Russian artist. Born in 1956, Vereinov suffers from cerebral palsy, a condition which seriously affects body and muscle movement. His first attempts at painting began at a special hospital for children suffering from cerebral palsy, where he spent his childhood. Since he had no control of his hands, Vereinov used his mouth to hold his paintbrushes. The problem was that the people at the hospital were afraid he would hurt himself, so he wasn't allowed to paint; which is why he did all his works of art at night, in secret.

Today, Alexander Vereinov is an internationally recognised mouth artist, who has produced many stunning originals as well as reproductions of well-known paintings. His original works include the portraits of Leo Tolstoy and Alexander Pushkin. Some say that his reproductions of other well-known paintings are nearly impossible to tell from the original.

However, Vereinov's activity does not end here. Together with Maxim Goubanov, a Russian philanthropist, he works towards raising money for the Alexander Vereinov Disabled Russian Citizens Fund. This is an organisation that aims to provide wheelchairs, medicine, food and other necessities to disabled people who do not have enough means to support themselves. Indeed, Alexander Vereinov is an inspirational example of being able to use your inner strength and determination to become successful and then use this success to help others.



- 31 Beethoven and Keller were born disabled. ....
- 32 Vereinov started painting at an early age. ....
- 33 Vereinov only painted at night because they did not let him paint during the day. ....
- 34 Vereinov's copies of famous works of art are extremely accurate. ....
- 35 Vereinov gives part of his money to charities for the disabled. ....

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{20}$  )  
5x4

## Listening

- C Listen to some people talking about challenges and match the speakers (1-5) to the statements (A-E).
- |  |    |           |       |
|--|----|-----------|-------|
| A The speaker is not sure about trying the same thing again.             | 36 | Speaker 1 | ..... |
| B The speaker does not like taking risks.                                | 37 | Speaker 2 | ..... |
| C The speaker enjoys doing extreme sports.                               | 38 | Speaker 3 | ..... |
| D The speaker's friends do not share his/her interest in extreme sports. | 39 | Speaker 4 | ..... |
| E The speaker feels he/she can face a challenge successfully.            | 40 | Speaker 5 | ..... |

( Marks:  $\frac{\quad}{20}$  )  
5x4

## Module 1

An international teenage magazine is putting together a series of articles on festivals around the world. Write an article on a popular festival in your country to send in to the magazine. (120-180 words)

You may use the plan and ideas below to help you write your article.

**Para 1:** • what is the name of the festival?  
• when/where/why does it take place?

**Para 2:** • what preparations do people make for this festival?

**Para 3:** • what happens on the actual day?

**Para 4:** • how do people feel before/during and after the festival?

• what do you most like about it?

### Useful Expressions:

- colourful clothes • enthusiastic crowds • stay up all night • dance the evening away
- brightly decorated • cheer excitedly • fantastic time • festive atmosphere

In ....., we have .....  
It takes place every ..... This  
festival celebrates .....

People prepare for .....

When the big day comes, .....

..... is truly a fantastic event. We all feel .....

..... What I love most about it is .....

## Module 2

Below is part of an email you received from your pen-friend Sue. Read the email and send a reply to your friend. You may use the plan below to help you write your email. (80-100 words)

... So that's all my news. What about you? It must be exciting to move to the countryside after you've spent all your life in the city! What's your new house like? What about the town? Is it nice? Write and tell me what you like and don't like about your area.

Para 1: • opening remarks  
• reason for writing

Para 2: • describe the house

Para 3: • say what you like and what you don't like about the place you have moved to

Para 4: • closing remarks

Hi Sue,

Thanks for .....  
..... I'm doing OK too. Let me tell you about  
.....

Our new house in the country is .....  
..... It has .....  
..... There's also .....  
..... What I love about it most .....

The town isn't bad, either. I really like .....  
.....  
..... What I don't like, though, .....

Well, .....  
Write soon.  
Nancy





## Module 4

There is an essay writing competition in the local newspaper and you have decided to write an essay presenting the arguments for and against the use of household robots in the future. (120-180 words) You may use the plan and ideas below to help you write your essay.

## Plan

**Para 1:** introduce the subject and state your opinion

**Para 2:** present an argument supporting one side of the issue  
*e.g. robots can do chores around house → more free time for people*

**Para 3:** present another argument supporting one side of the issue  
*e.g. robots can always be there to offer help → assistance to elderly or disabled people/watch over children while parents are away*

**Para 4:** present an opposing viewpoint  
*e.g. people may depend on robots too much → even simple tasks may become difficult or tiring*

**Para 5:** restate your opinion

Robotics experts predict that it will not be too long before robots become an ordinary part of most households. In my opinion, .....

First of all, .....

For example, .....

As a result, .....

Secondly, .....

For instance, .....

Consequently, .....

On the other hand, .....

This means that .....

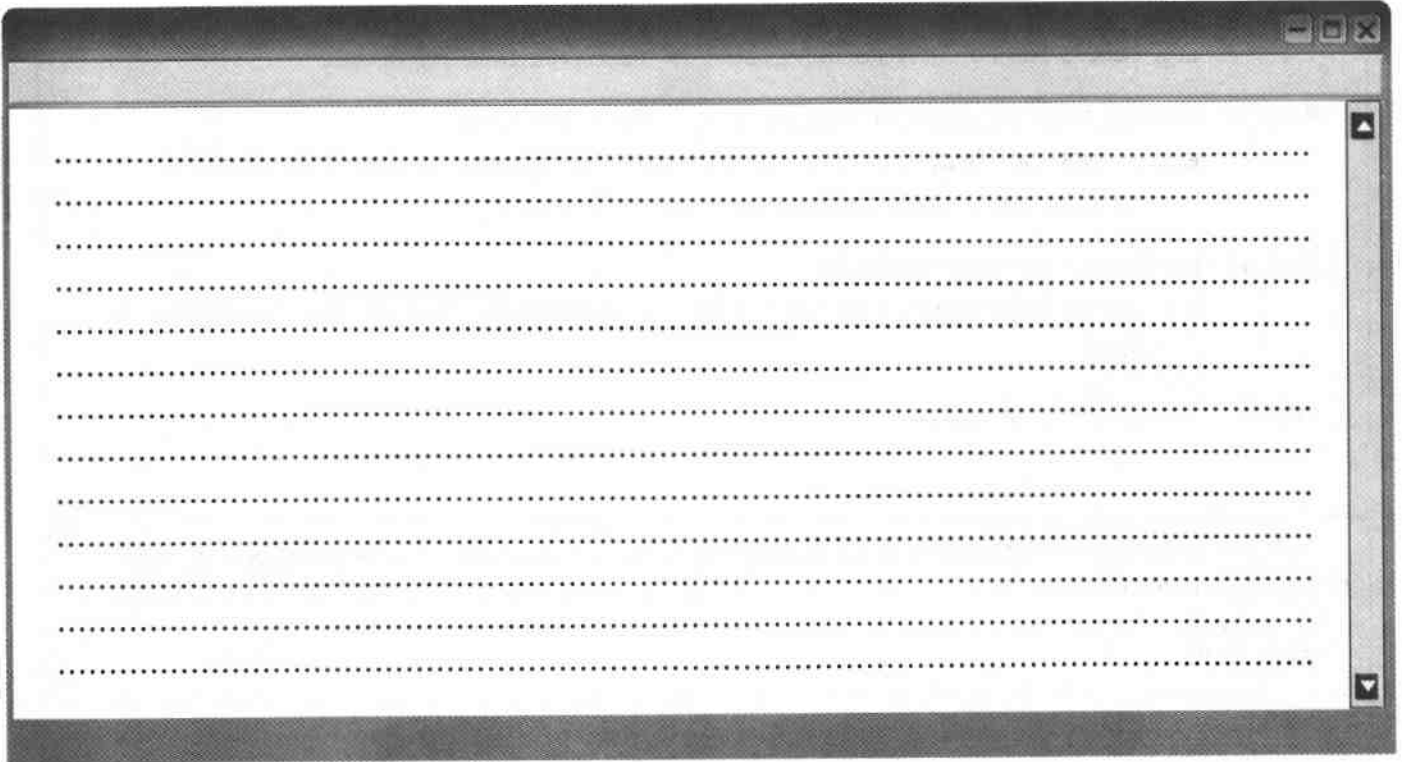
All in all, it seems to me that .....

## Mid Test

You have received an email from your new English-speaking pen-friend Andrew.

*... And that's how I usually spend my free time. What do you do when you have a day off school? How do you usually spend your weekends? Have you planned anything special for this weekend?*

Write him an email and answer his 3 questions. Write 80-100 words.



## Module 5

You have received an email from your English pen-friend William. Read the extract from William's email and write a suitable reply to him (120-180 words). You may use the plan and ideas below to help you write the email.

It's my little brother's birthday next week and I want to take him to the cinema with a few of his friends. Can you suggest a film that 10-year-old children would enjoy? Perhaps a good adventure or a comedy.

## Plan

- Para 1: • informal greeting  
• name/type of film; who stars in it
- Para 2: • short summary of the plot
- Para 3: • general comments on the plot and the main characters
- Para 4: • your recommendation

## Useful phrases:

plot: clever, well-written, fast-paced

characters: likeable, unusual, well-developed

beginning/ending: surprising, exciting, satisfying

Dear William,

I've just received your mail, and I think taking your brother and his friends to the cinema for his birthday is a great idea! I really suggest you go and see .....

.....

The film is about .....

..... Its plot is .....

.....

So, as you can imagine, ..... is a very

..... film. The characters are

.....

Well, that's about it! I really recommend .....

.....

Let me know how it goes!

Alex

## Module 6

Write an email to your English pen-friend to tell him/her all about your visit to a popular place of interest in your city or country (120 -150 words).

You may use the plan and any of the phrases below to help you write your email.

### Plan

- Para 1: • greeting
  - general details about the visit (when, where, who with)
- Para 2: • description of the place you visited
- Para 3: • what you saw and did there
- Para 4: • final comments about the place
  - how you felt about the visit

Dear ..... ,  
How are you? I'm sorry I haven't written for some time, but I've been a bit busy lately. Let me tell you about my visit to .....  
.....  
It's an amazing place! It has.....  
.....  
When we got there,.....  
.....  
I'm telling you, the whole experience was .....  
.....  
Bye for now,  
.....

## Module 7

Your school magazine has invited students to write an essay discussing the arguments for and against taking self-defence classes. Write your article for the magazine (120-180 words). You may use the plan and ideas below to help you write your essay.

## Plan

- Para 1: present the topic without giving an opinion  
 Para 2: offer arguments 'for' with justifications/examples  
*e.g. learn to protect yourself → become more confident; keeps you fit → be healthier*  
 Para 3: offer arguments 'against' with justifications/ examples  
*e.g. classes/equipment may be expensive → not affordable for everyone; some people may misuse their skills → use violence on others unnecessarily*  
 Para 4: summarise the main arguments and give your personal opinion

A recent survey in the UK found that 6% of school children learn self-defence in schools. But the question is whether more children should be encouraged to learn self-defence.

There are some advantages to .....

..... Firstly, .....

..... Consequently, .....

.....

..... Secondly, .....

.....

As a result, .....

On the other hand, .....

..... To begin with, .....

.....

Because of this, .....

Moreover, .....

..... For instance, .....

.....

In conclusion, .....

..... I strongly believe that .....

.....



## Module 8

There is an advertisement in your local newspaper asking for volunteers to work at the local animal shelter (120-180 words). You may use the plan and ideas below to help you write your letter of application.

## Plan

- Para 1:** opening remarks/reason for writing  
e.g. *what position you are applying for/where you saw it*
- Para 2:** personal information and relevant qualifications  
e.g. *student, school exams, previous volunteer work*
- Para 3:** include skills, relevant interests, and personal qualities  
e.g. *language skills, always on time/reliable*
- Para 4:** closing remarks

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing with reference to .....

I am interested in .....

I am ..... years old and I am .....

..... . As for previous experience, I have .....

..... . In addition, .....

I am described by my teachers as .....

..... . Moreover, .....

..... . My interests include .....

Please find my application form attached. I can be contacted .....

..... . I would be very grateful if .....

..... . I look forward .....

Yours faithfully,

.....

**Exit Test**

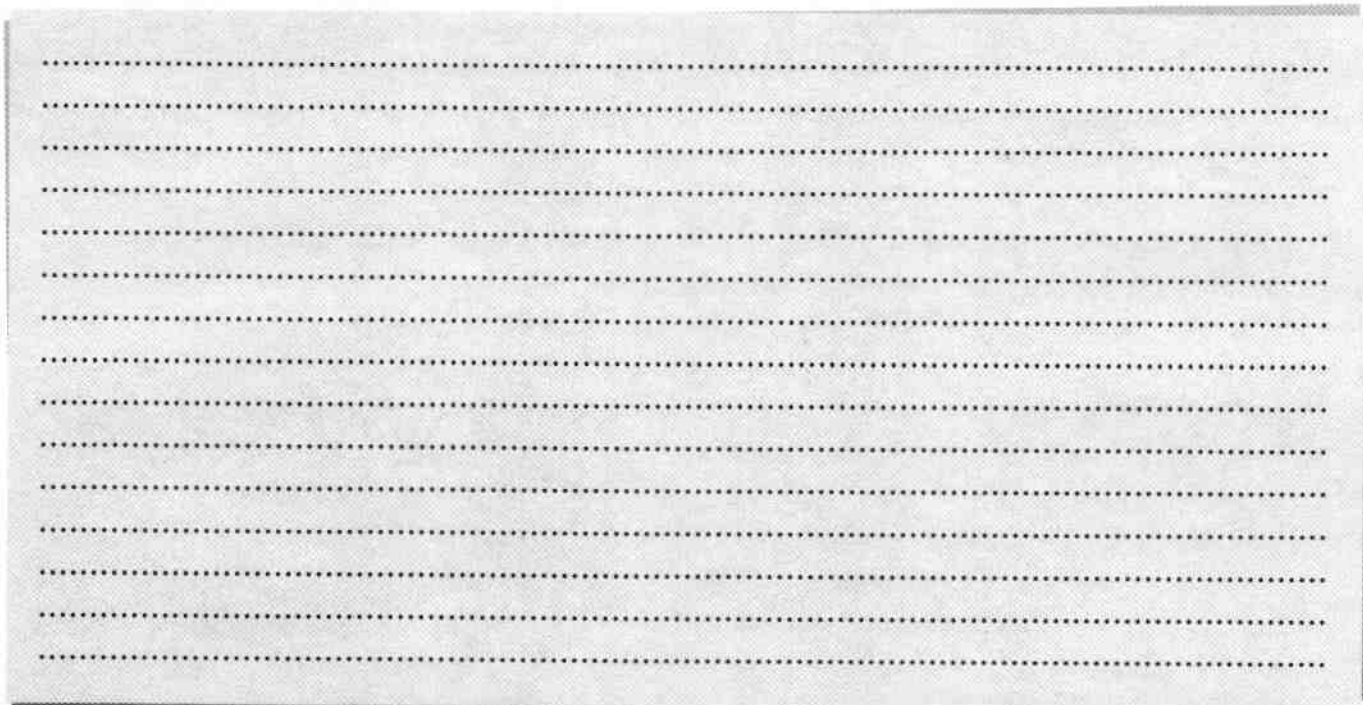
You have received a letter from your English-speaking pen-friend Robert.

*... I really loved the concert! What kind of music do you enjoy? Have you ever been to a concert? What artist would you really like to see perform live?*

*Write back soon,*

*Robert*

Write him a letter and answer his 3 questions. Write 80-100 words.





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# Key to Tests

## ENTRY TEST

|      |      |      |      |      |
|------|------|------|------|------|
| 1 C  | 17 C | 33 C | 49 B | 65 C |
| 2 B  | 18 B | 34 C | 50 B | 66 A |
| 3 A  | 19 B | 35 B | 51 C | 67 B |
| 4 A  | 20 A | 36 A | 52 C | 68 A |
| 5 C  | 21 C | 37 A | 53 A | 69 C |
| 6 B  | 22 C | 38 B | 54 A | 70 B |
| 7 C  | 23 C | 39 A | 55 B | 71 A |
| 8 A  | 24 A | 40 B | 56 B | 72 A |
| 9 C  | 25 B | 41 C | 57 C | 73 C |
| 10 B | 26 C | 42 A | 58 A | 74 A |
| 11 B | 27 A | 43 B | 59 B | 75 B |
| 12 A | 28 C | 44 B | 60 C | 76 A |
| 13 C | 29 B | 45 C | 61 C | 77 C |
| 14 A | 30 B | 46 C | 62 B | 78 C |
| 15 C | 31 B | 47 A | 63 A | 79 B |
| 16 B | 32 A | 48 C | 64 C | 80 B |

## TEST 1

|   |              |               |              |
|---|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| A | 1 raised     | 5 bright      | 9 spare      |
|   | 2 make       | 6 strong      | 10 street    |
|   | 3 display    | 7 contest     |              |
|   | 4 life       | 8 transformed |              |
| B | 11 blows out | 15 annual     | 19 throw     |
|   | 12 exchange  | 16 remind     | 20 patiently |
|   | 13 decorate  | 17 entering   |              |
|   | 14 attracts  | 18 made       |              |
| C | 21 B         | 23 C          | 25 A         |
|   | 22 A         | 24 B          | 26 C         |
|   |              |               | 27 B         |
|   |              |               | 29 C         |
|   |              |               | 30 B         |
| D | 31 whose     | 33 where      | 35 which     |
|   | 32 when      | 34 who        |              |
| E | 36 C         | 37 D          | 38 A         |
|   |              |               | 39 E         |
|   |              |               | 40 B         |
| F | 41 NS        | 42 T          | 43 F         |
|   |              |               | 44 T         |
|   |              |               | 45 NS        |
| G | 46 B         | 47 C          | 48 E         |
|   |              |               | 49 A         |
|   |              |               | 50 D         |

## TEST 2

|   |            |          |        |         |
|---|------------|----------|--------|---------|
| A | 1 dust     | 3 take   | 5 do   | 7 makes |
|   | 2 hang out | 4 mopped | 6 keep |         |

|   |              |             |            |
|---|--------------|-------------|------------|
| B | 8 spacious   | 12 nosy     | 16 extinct |
|   | 9 went       | 13 vacuum   | 17 lack    |
|   | 10 household | 14 sociable | 18 do      |
|   | 11 isolated  | 15 pitch    |            |

|   |             |              |            |
|---|-------------|--------------|------------|
| C | 19 getting  | 23 to become | 27 waking  |
|   | 20 shopping | 24 turning   | 28 promise |
|   | 21 to take  | 25 stay      | 29 tidy    |
|   | 22 living   | 26 to have   |            |

|   |                  |                 |
|---|------------------|-----------------|
| D | 30 close enough  | 34 enough sleep |
|   | 31 too forgetful | 35 too busy     |
|   | 32 too noisy     | 36 big enough   |
|   | 33 modern enough |                 |

|   |  |
|---|--|
| E | 37 Don't worry about it.                   |
|   | 38 I hope not.                             |
|   | 39 Sorry! I didn't realise it annoyed you. |
|   | 40 That's not very nice.                   |
|   | 41 What have I done now?                   |

|   |      |      |      |      |      |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|
| F | 42 F | 43 A | 44 D | 45 E | 46 B |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|

|   |      |      |      |      |
|---|------|------|------|------|
| G | 47 B | 48 C | 49 A | 50 A |
|---|------|------|------|------|

## TEST 3

|   |              |                  |
|---|--------------|------------------|
| A | 1 a) sights  | 5 a) glanced     |
|   | b) sightings | b) spotted       |
|   | 2 a) existed | 6 a) violent     |
|   | b) survived  | b) horrifying    |
|   | 3 a) staring | 7 a) reflection  |
|   | b) glaring   | b) shadow        |
|   | 4 a) extinct | 8 a) imagination |
|   | b) mythical  | b) illusion      |

|   |            |            |             |
|---|------------|------------|-------------|
| B | 9 alike    | 13 giant   | 17 dull     |
|   | 10 human   | 14 appears | 18 corridor |
|   | 11 mind    | 15 impact  |             |
|   | 12 glimpse | 16 fantasy |             |

|   |                  |                      |
|---|------------------|----------------------|
| C | 19 gasped        | 23 had been painting |
|   | 20 was driving   | 24 hadn't finished   |
|   | 21 was reading   | 25 found             |
|   | 22 had ever seen |                      |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| D | 26 When I was still at school, I would read a new ghost story every week.                   |
|   | 27 In the past, my sister used to make fun of Surrealist paintings, but now she loves them. |
|   | 28 Eleanor's parents never used to buy her books about monsters when she was a child.       |

29 Sally would visit her grandparents quite often when she still lived in London.

- E 30 can't      32 may      34 must  
31 must      33 may      35 can't
- F 36 b      37 a      38 b      39 a      40 b
- G 41 B      42 D      43 E      44 A      45 C
- H 46 D      47 B      48 E      49 C      50 A

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#### TEST 4

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- A 1 emotional response      4 phone line  
2 broadband connection      5 figurative speech  
3 email account      6 artificial brain
- B 7 become      11 caters      15 build  
8 perform      12 exists      16 invented  
9 subscription      13 modem  
10 divided      14 overcome
- C 17 starts      22 will have been working  
18 Will you show      23 is giving  
19 will pass      24 will have completed  
20 'll be attending      25 will install  
21 is going to break      26 Are you buying
- D 27 B      29 B      31 A      33 C      35 B  
28 C      30 C      32 C      34 B
- E 36 E      37 D      38 C      39 A      40 B
- F 41 C      42 F      43 A      44 E      45 B
- G 46 B      47 C      48 A      49 E      50 D

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#### MID TEST (MODULES 1-4)

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- A 1 C      7 C      13 B      19 A      25 B  
2 C      8 B      14 A      20 B      26 A  
3 B      9 B      15 B      21 A      27 C  
4 B      10 B      16 C      22 C      28 A  
5 A      11 A      17 B      23 A      29 B  
6 C      12 B      18 C      24 C      30 C
- B 31 C      32 D      33 A      34 F      35 B

- C 36 C      37 A      38 B      39 B      40 C

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#### TEST 5

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- A 1 remain      4 stunts      7 private  
2 set      5 miniature      8 artistic  
3 still      6 portray      9 plots
- B 10 action-packed      13 special effects  
11 all-star      14 box office  
12 model making      15 potter's wheel
- C 16 most talented      20 more accurately  
17 most famous      21 more, easier  
18 better, better      22 interesting  
19 worst      23 tiniest
- D 24 extremely      29 very  
25 would sooner      30 completely  
26 totally      31 would prefer  
27 slightly      32 rather  
28 would rather      33 prefers
- E 34 I can't make it, I'm afraid.  
35 What sort of music do you like?  
36 What do you think of Mozart?  
37 I absolutely love it!  
38 Sure, count me in.
- F 39 B      41 C      43 C      45 B  
40 A      42 B      44 A
- G 46 D      47 E      48 A      49 C      50 B

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#### TEST 6

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- A 1 B      3 A      5 B      7 C      9 B  
2 C      4 A      6 A      8 A
- B 10 station      12 cashier      14 skilful  
11 gets involved      13 signs
- C 15 is visited      18 will be powered  
16 be touched      19 has already been sent  
17 was put out      20 was built
- D 21 is having her portrait drawn (by a professional painter).  
22 has had her London flat designed by a famous architect.  
23 will have the handlebars on her bike fixed (by her father).  
24 had her arm examined (by a doctor) yesterday.



## Key to Tests

E 25 Whichever 27 wherever 29 whenever  
26 Whatever 28 However

F 30 themselves 32 yourselves 34 himself  
31 myself 33 ourselves

G 35 About every ten minutes.  
36 Go past the bank and turn left into Smith Street.  
37 No, just a ten-minute walk away.  
38 Yes, there's one just around the corner.  
39 Is it a long way from here?

H 40 E 41 C 42 A 43 B 44 D

I 45 A 46 B 47 C 48 A

### TEST 7

A 1 tasty 5 embarrassed 9 beat  
2 home-made 6 cut 10 eating  
3 roast 7 burn 11 screamed  
4 starving 8 shaking 12 chewing

B 13 took up 15 snacks 17 rich  
14 going on 16 human 18 leads

C 19 were 23 had eaten  
20 doesn't grow 24 discuss  
21 wouldn't have scratched 25 exercised  
22 take 26 will connect

D 27 had 29 had brought 31 were not  
28 used 30 had taken

E 32 might 34 needn't 36 shouldn't  
33 mustn't 35 may

F 37 B 38 A 39 D 40 E 41 C

G 42 C 43 A 44 E 45 F 46 D

H 47 C 48 A 49 A 50 B

### TEST 8

A 1 rucksack 4 total 7 face  
2 map 5 bump 8 bruised  
3 sprained 6 first aid kit 9 survived

B 10 rescued 12 sling 14 instead of  
11 sunscreen 13 injured

C 15 Joan asked Sam if he had ever travelled to a foreign country.

16 Mum told me not to be late for dinner.

17 James and Lilly said that they couldn't go whitewater rafting that weekend.

18 Liz said that Andrew had taken up trekking three years before.

19 Lee said that Mark would begin kitesurfing lessons in summer.

20 Sandy told me that the children were going on a roller coaster ride the next/the following day.

D 21 Bill explained that he couldn't be at basketball practice because he had broken his arm.

22 Anne refused to pay for Tom's skydiving lessons.

23 Mary offered to help Sarah with her application form.

24 Dad warned the children not to play with the pen knife.

25 Jennifer complained that her throat was feeling sore.

E 26 someone 28 everywhere 30 anyone  
27 Everyone 29 nothing

F 31 doesn't he 33 wasn't it 35 shall we  
32 has he 34 doesn't it

G 36 Yes, it really hurts.

37 Oh, that's good.

38 Hmm ... I don't know.

39 Oh dear! What happened?

40 Get well soon.

H 41 Ns 42 F 43 Ns 44 T 45 T

I 46 C 47 E 48 D 49 A 50 B

### EXIT TEST

A 1 C 7 A 13 B 19 B 25 C  
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4 A 10 B 16 A 22 A 28 A  
5 B 11 A 17 C 23 A 29 C  
6 A 12 C 18 C 24 B 30 B

B 31 Ns 32 T 33 F 34 T 35 Ns

C 36 C 37 B 38 E 39 A 40 D

# Suggested Answers to Optional Writing

## MODULE 1

In Kovran, Siberia, we have a week-long celebration called the Alkhalalalaj Harvest Festival. It takes place every third week in September. The festival celebrates the end of the harvest after a long summer of working in the fields.

People prepare for this festival by carving a wooden pole. The male villagers walk for 70 km to place the beautiful carved pole on top of Mount Elvel. They also leave food for Kamuli, the mountain god. When the men return from the mountain, the villagers prepare for the more fun-packed activities.

When the big day comes, school children sing to open the festival. The enthusiastic crowds cheer excitedly while watching a display of fire dances, music, and singing. There is a festive atmosphere, with people in colourful clothes dancing the evening away. We all stay up all night eating and drinking along the brightly decorated village streets.

The Harvest Festival is truly a fantastic event. We all feel tired but very happy after the week-long activities. What I love most about it is the music and dancing that continues all through the night.

## MODULE 2

Hi Sue,

Thanks for your email. It was great to hear that you're well. I'm doing OK too. Let me tell you about my new life! Our new house in the country is amazing. It has four bedrooms and a big living room and kitchen. There's also an attic, which Dad will change into a games room. What I love about it most is the garden. It's huge! The town isn't bad, either. I really like the wide, tree-lined streets. What I don't like, though, is that it's very quiet. Well, that's it for now. Write soon.

Nancy

## MODULE 3

Last weekend, Dad and I went fishing on Lake Windermere. It was a beautiful sunny day and the water was very calm. Mum had made sandwiches for us to eat, and we were having a great time talking and laughing.

We had been fishing for about an hour when, all of a sudden, my fishing line started moving. Dad helped me pull the line, but the fish was very strong and we had to pull for more than half an hour before we got it on board. When we did, we saw the biggest fish we had ever caught!

We took the fish home and Dad started cleaning it. Mum and I were watching him when, suddenly, he cried out "Look! A ring!" We looked, and there inside the fish was the ring that Mum had lost when she and Dad were at the lake a few weeks before!

All of us were so surprised, we couldn't stop laughing and shouting. Mum was so happy that she even gave me £20 to buy myself a treat. I can't wait to go fishing again!

## MODULE 4

Robotics experts predict that it will not be too long before robots become an ordinary part of most households. In my opinion, the presence of robots in homes will be a wonderful thing.

First of all, robots will be able to do all the chores around the house. For example, they will be able to do the cleaning, the cooking, and maybe even the shopping. As a result, families will be able to spend more quality time together.

Secondly, robots will be able to act as carers. For instance, they will be able to babysit children and look after the elderly. Consequently, families will not need to spend extra money on expensive home help, so they will have more money to improve their lives.

On the other hand, people may come to depend on robots too much. This means that if their robot stops working they may find it especially difficult or tiring to do even the simplest of tasks.

All in all, it seems to me that robots will be extremely useful around the house, but no matter how helpful they may be, we should not rely on them completely.

## MID TEST

Dear Andrew,

Thanks for your email. It sounds like you have fun in your spare time. Let me tell you about myself.

When I have a day off school, I often hang out with my friends. We usually listen to music or go to the cinema.

At the weekends, I do my chores in the morning and I play football at the local pitch in the afternoons.

This weekend Dad and I have planned something special. We've decided to go fishing by the lake. We might even camp there overnight. I'm sure it'll be a lot of fun! I have to go now.

Your friend,

Richard

## MODULE 5

Dear William,

I've just received your mail and I think taking your brother and his friends to the cinema for his birthday is a great idea. I suggest you go and see *Speed Racer*, which is an action film based on a 1960s Japanese cartoon. It stars Emile Hirsch and Christina Ricci.

The film is about a brilliant racing car driver called Speed Racer. Speed Racer finds out that some powerful business people are making drivers cheat in races in order to make a lot of money. So he decides to do something to stop the bad guys. The plot is clever but a little hard to follow in the first 20 minutes or so, but keep watching it because the action is great! The characters are likeable and well-developed, while the ending is exciting, which the kids will love. Well, that's about it! I really recommend this film because 10-year-old boys will love all the amazing car races. Let me know how it goes!

Alex

### MODULE 6

Dear Sam,

How are you? I'm sorry I haven't written for some time, but I've been a bit busy lately. Let me tell you about my visit to the Moscow Zoo with my sister and her friends last weekend. It's an amazing place! It has more than 5,000 animals and birds, and different areas such as a Night Animal House and an African Animals section.

When we got there, we went straight to see the big cats. There are Siberian tigers and Snow leopards in the Moscow Zoo. Have you ever seen these incredible cats up close? There are also aquariums with fish from all over the world. In the afternoon, we had lunch at one of the zoo's cafés.

I'm telling you, the whole experience was great. I can't wait to go back there again because there is so much more to see and do at the Moscow Zoo!

Bye for now,  
Natasha

### MODULE 7

A recent survey in the UK found that 6% of school children learn self-defence in schools. But the question is whether more children should be encouraged to learn self-defence.

There are some advantages to running self-defence classes in schools. Firstly, self-defence techniques teach children how to either avoid a threatening situation, or how to protect themselves against an attacker. Consequently, they learn how to use their common sense to stay out of trouble and also become more confident, as they are no longer vulnerable targets. Secondly, taking a self-defence class keeps children fit, as it is an excellent form of exercise. As a result, children get in shape and lead a healthier life.

On the other hand, there are some arguments against running self-defence courses in schools. To begin with, classes and equipment may be expensive. Because of this, it is not affordable for everyone. Moreover, some people may misuse the skills they have been taught. For instance, instead of running away in a threatening

situation, children may try to put up a fight against a violent attacker and become seriously injured.

In conclusion, there are arguments both for and against children learning self-defence in schools. I strongly believe that self-defence should be taught in schools, as it is important that children know how to protect themselves. However, it should be up to parents to decide whether or not their children will take part.

### MODULE 8

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing with reference to your advertisement in Friday's edition of the 'Mirror Review'. I am interested in applying to be a volunteer at the local animal shelter.

I am fifteen years old and I am in my fourth year of high school. As for previous experience, I have worked as a volunteer at the local zoo feeding and cleaning the animals. In addition, last summer I worked part-time at my father's animal clinic where I learned to deal with a variety of animals. I am described by my teachers as cheerful, hardworking and reliable. Moreover, I am particularly good at languages. I have just taken the Lower English exam and passed with a grade A. My interests include football, tennis and trekking. Please find my application form attached. I can be contacted at the number on my application form at any time. I would be very grateful if you considered me as a volunteer. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,  
Mary Smith

### EXIT TEST

Dear Robert,

Thank you for your letter. It was nice of you to drop me a line.

I like many different kinds of music, but I mostly listen to pop. I haven't been to many concerts, but I actually had the chance to see Shakira live last year when I was in London, and she was really fantastic!

My favourite artist is Beyonce. I'd really like to see her perform live because she's a fantastic singer and I love all her music. My favourite songs are 'Irreplaceable' and 'Me, Myself and I'.

Well, that's all for now. Write back soon.

Linda

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## Test 1 – Listening

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**Interviewer:** I asked some young people about special occasions in their country and how they celebrate them.

**Speaker 1:** (young woman)

In Bolivia, a girl's sixteenth birthday is very important. The birthday girl wears a white dress and dances the first dance with her father or grandfather. She also dances with fifteen other partners, as each dance represents one year of her life. It is a sign of becoming a lady.

**Speaker 2:** (man)

Holi, the Hindu Festival of Colours takes place each year in India around the end of February or the beginning of March. Everyone throws blue, green and yellow powders at one another on the second day of Holi. In fact your clothing is never the same again! It's all great fun and people believe that the powders will keep illnesses away.

**Speaker 3:** (man)

People in Thailand celebrate their new year by throwing water over one another. Songkran, the Thai New Year, happens each year in mid-April. The Thai people and visitors use buckets, bowls, garden hoses, water guns, and even elephants to carry the water.

**Speaker 4:** (woman)

Las Fallas Festival is a week-long festival in mid-March, which celebrates Saint Joseph's Day with loud music, partying, and fire dances around huge open fires, where people tell stories from the past. Many people dress in traditional costumes, though modern costumes are also common. The festival ends with an amazing fireworks display.

**Speaker 5:** (man)

The Ivrea Carnival in Italy includes fantastic street parties and parades but what makes it different from other carnivals are the orange battles, where people separate into special teams and throw oranges at each other. This comes from a custom that started in the Middle Ages, when local residents threw the beans that the local ruler gave to the poor out onto the streets to express their dissatisfaction.

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## Test 2 – Listening

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**Jeremy:** Welcome to the show, Adam. We keep hearing that humans are destroying the different habitats on Earth. Could you tell us what this actually means?

**Adam:** Certainly! Man has been damaging the land, sea, and air around him and as a result he is also threatening the survival of plants and animals that live there.

**Jeremy:** Why is this happening?

**Adam:** One of the reasons is that we are increasing the world's population by about one and a half billion people every ten years. More people means we need more food and therefore more land to grow the food. So, in trying to feed all these people, we

destroy the habitats of the animals and plants that live in the areas we transform into farms. Experts believe that over one hundred species become extinct every day because of us.

**Jeremy:** What are some other causes of habitat destruction?

**Adam:** Scientists believe that the poisonous chemicals we throw in the sea will cause the sea life to change or die out. Also, they say that we are destroying the forests, which make half of the oxygen in the world. Of course we cannot live without oxygen, but a large number of us seem to believe that this problem isn't so serious and hope that it will just go away by itself!

**Jeremy:** So how can we stop destroying natural habitats?

**Adam:** There are dozens of things we can do, but I believe that we should first turn our attention to our seas, lakes and rivers. People keep throwing rubbish and poisonous chemicals into them, putting wildlife at risk. And this is one of the most serious problems that a huge number of plant and animal species face.

**Jeremy:** Well, you've given all of us much to think about, Adam, thank you for your time.

**Adam:** Thank you.

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## Test 3 – Listening

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**Interviewer:** I've asked some people to talk about dreaming. Here's what they said.

**Speaker 1:** (man)

The night before I went to school for the first time, I had dreamt that my teacher was going to be that big, green ugly monster! Naturally, the next day I was kicking and screaming and refusing to go to school. When my mother finally managed to drag me there and I met my teacher, I felt so relieved! She looked like an angel!

**Speaker 2:** (woman)

I think that what we see in our sleep tells us something important about us and that nightmares try to warn us of something bad. That's why I always keep a dream dictionary by my bed, and I often look at it whenever I have had a particularly strange dream.

**Speaker 3:** (woman)

I was very upset when I lost my favourite pen that my granddad had given me. We searched the whole house but we found nothing. I went to bed worrying and dreamt that while I was walking in the garden, I saw a shiny object under the rose bush. When I woke up the next morning, I went to that bush and my pen was there, exactly like in my dream!

**Speaker 4:** (young boy)

I keep dreaming about the same thing most nights. In my dream, I am always waiting a long time for buses and trains. Therefore, I am always late getting to school. When I get there, my teacher screams and shouts at me. I always wake up tired but relieved that it isn't true.

**Speaker 5:** (young boy)

Last night, I went to bed after reading a horror book on mysterious monsters around the world. Later I dreamt about



fighting and kicking a huge ugly sea monster that was trying to eat me! I woke up screaming and fell off my bed as I was trying to escape from the terrifying creature!

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### Test 4 – Listening

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**Interviewer:** We asked some people to tell us what they think about mobile phones, and this is what they said.

**Speaker 1:** (man)

Mobile phones are great, but there are some things about them that I don't like. For example, I don't like it that I always want to check my phone to see if I have a message. Also, I don't like it when I panic if my phone isn't near me. What I'm saying is I don't think it's good that I rely so much on a gadget!

**Speaker 2:** (woman)

I love my mobile phone. Mostly, I use it to send text messages to my friends. I probably send between 100 and 200 text messages a week. It's expensive to send so many texts, though. I have a big phone bill every month. But I don't care, because it's worth the cost to stay in touch with my friends.

**Speaker 3:** (woman)

Some people say that mobile phones can cause illnesses. They say they are dangerous because of the radiation. I don't know if this is true, but just to be on the safe side, I only use my mobile for quick conversations. If I know I am going to have a long conversation, I use a regular phone.

**Speaker 4:** (teenage girl)

Mobile phones are one of the best inventions. No matter where I am, I can always contact my parents if I need help. This makes me feel secure, and it makes my parents feel safe too. They worry about me less now because they know they can contact me at any time.

**Speaker 5:** (man)

There's one thing that really annoys me about mobile phones. It's to do with text messaging. I don't like how people shorten every word they can, and spell words incorrectly. Sometimes you can't even understand what someone has written, because there is not one word in their text message that is spelt how it should be!

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### Mid Test (Modules 1-4) – Listening

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**Sam:** Hi Anna! What are you doing?

**Anna:** I'm going into town to buy a present for my mum. It's her birthday this weekend.

**Sam:** Oh. What are you going to buy her?

**Anna:** I'm not sure. I was thinking about getting her a book, but I've changed my mind. A book is a bit boring.

**Sam:** I agree. A book isn't exciting at all!

**Anna:** I know. Oh dear ... I'm no good at choosing presents!

**Sam:** Don't worry! I love shopping for presents! I can come with you if you like and help you.

**Anna:** Really? Are you sure? Don't you have hockey practice today?

**Sam:** Usually, yes. But our coach is ill today, so I'm free. Come on, let's go!

**Anna:** OK. I was thinking of going to that huge store in the city centre, first.

**Sam:** Good idea. We'll definitely find something there.

**Anna:** I hope so. I want to buy Mum something really nice. What did you get your mum for her last birthday, Sam?

**Sam:** Well, I didn't have much to spend, so I borrowed a video camera from a friend and made her a movie.

**Anna:** Wow! That was definitely a bright idea!

**Sam:** Well, I recorded everyone in my family and some of Mum's friends. We all said what Mum means to us or told a funny story.

**Anna:** She must have loved it.

**Sam:** She did! In fact, she liked it so much she asked me to make another video for her next birthday.

**Anna:** Wow, you really do have good ideas! I'm glad you're helping me today.

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### Test 5 – Listening

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**Interviewer:** I spoke to some people about music. Here's what they said.

**Speaker 1:** (young man)

Both my parents and my older brother have a career in music, so our house has always been full of tunes and melodies. One of my first memories is sitting beside my mother at the piano listening to her play a beautiful piece of classical music. So it should come as no surprise that I'm following in their footsteps, and starting a career in the music industry too.

**Speaker 2:** (young woman)

I don't know how they did it, but my friends have convinced me to join a local singing contest with them! I love singing, and I'm always the first to grab the guitar and start a singsong, but that's only when I'm among friends. This time dozens of strangers will be listening to me, and I'm not so sure whether they'll appreciate my voice!

**Speaker 3:** (young man)

For those of us who love music, I believe there's nothing better than seeing your favourite singer or band perform live. For me, nothing compares to watching them on stage and sharing the thrill and excitement with the other members of the audience. Of course I can't afford to go to live shows all the time, but I do so whenever I get the chance!

**Speaker 4:** (teenage girl)

You couldn't really say I have a broad musical taste ... and it's not that I haven't tried to get into lots of different types of music, because I have. My brother and sister have completely different tastes to mine and I have to hear their music every day at home. So you couldn't even say that I'm not exposed to different types. But the fact is, I only like pop. And if you like something, I don't see anything wrong with sticking to it.

**Speaker 5:** (young man)

I really want to become a professional musician, but I sometimes wonder whether I have a natural ability to create beautiful music. I mean, playing around on the piano and coming up with happy little tunes is one thing, but doing this professionally is not something I'm sure I'll be able to do well. One thing is sure, though. I'll give it a try!

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### Test 6 – Listening

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**Alex:** Hi Ben! How was football practice?

**Ben:** Great! What did you do this afternoon, Alex?

**Alex:** Nothing. I don't have anything to do after school on Wednesdays. My Art teacher suggested that I join an after-school Art class. So I am thinking about doing that.

**Ben:** That's a great idea! You're really good at painting and drawing.

**Alex:** Thanks. Where are you going now? You look like you are in a hurry.

**Ben:** I am. I'm on my way to the hospital. I'm a volunteer there. Usually, I only work on Saturday mornings. But today they called me and asked if I could help out this evening for a few hours.

**Alex:** Oh. What's it like being a volunteer?

**Ben:** It's great! The patients are always happy to see me. It makes me feel really good to know that I am doing something to help people.

**Alex:** Wow. How long have you been a volunteer?

**Ben:** For one year. My Mum works at the hospital. She gave me the idea about volunteering. She thought I would like to do something worthwhile.

**Alex:** I think I would like to help people who are ill, too. Do you think I could go with you sometime to see what you do?

**Ben:** Of course. In fact, why don't you come with me now?

**Alex:** I would love too!

**Ben:** Great. Let's go!

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### Test 7 – Listening

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**Ian:** Hi Claire! Guess what! Mum and Dad have finally agreed to let me have a pet!

**Claire:** Really? That's great, Ian! What are you going to get?

**Ian:** A dog! Definitely, a dog! I'm going to get one from an animal shelter. Do you want to come with me and help me choose one?

**Claire:** Sorry... No. I don't like dogs.

**Ian:** You don't like dogs! Why not! Everyone likes dogs!

**Claire:** Everyone but me. Don't laugh ... but ... I'm really scared of them. I shake like a leaf even when I look at a picture of a dog, or see one on television.

**Ian:** But why? A dog won't hurt you.

**Claire:** I don't know why. My mum thinks it's because a dog bit me on the hand when I was a baby.

**Ian:** What happens when you see a dog?

**Claire:** Well, I start shaking and sometimes even crying too. I can't even run away if I see a dog, because I freeze on the spot and can't move.

**Ian:** Wow. But you're wrong to avoid dogs. You'll never get over your fear if you keep avoiding them.

**Claire:** I've tried. But it's no good.

**Ian:** Poor you.

**Claire:** Yes. But my brother, John, says it's worse for him! Just like you, he really wants a pet dog. But of course there is no way we can have one in our house!

**Ian:** Oh well, you can tell him he can come and see my dog whenever he wants.

**Claire:** Thanks! I will.

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### Test 8 – Listening

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**Interviewer:** I spoke to some people about dealing with challenges, and here's what they said.

**Speaker 1:** (young woman)

When my friends asked me to go rock climbing with them, I wasn't sure, because I am scared of heights. But I decided to be brave and try it. It was scary, but when I got to the top, I felt a real sense of achievement. Next week, I am trying skydiving. I think it is important to face whatever it is that scares you.

**Speaker 2:** (man)

A serious injury really changes your life. I don't remember much about the accident, but I remember waking up in a hospital room with two broken legs and a bruised spine. Now, six months later I have fully recovered, but I don't think I could have done it without the support and encouragement of those close to me.

**Speaker 3:** (woman)

I am very close to my family. So close, in fact, that living in another country was something that I thought I couldn't cope with. But when I was 18, I had to go overseas to study. I thought I would miss my family too much and have to leave university before I finished my degree. I'd just never imagined that I could make it on my own. But, I did stay, and ended up loving it.

**Speaker 4:** (young man)

It's very satisfying to do things that seem nearly impossible at first. That's why, as soon as I finish one challenge, I'm off to face the next, more difficult one. For example, last year I ran half a marathon. This year, I am training to run the whole marathon. Next year, I want to climb the tallest mountain in the UK.

**Speaker 5:** (woman)

I've always believed that positive thinking plays an important role in a person's life. I've had to face many difficulties and I've found that the best way to deal with them successfully is to have a positive attitude. The way we think about something has a strong impact on how we feel and how we behave, so if you believe in your ability to achieve something and hope for the best, good things will probably happen to you.



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**Exit Test (Modules 1-8) – Listening**

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**Interviewer:** I spoke to some young people about challenges, and here's what they had to say.

**Speaker 1:** (young man)

When my friend first suggested we try skydiving, I thought that he was crazy! Why would I want to jump out of a plane, or do anything else that might put my life at risk? But now, four years later, not only do I go skydiving whenever I get the chance, but I also love kitesurfing, whitewater rafting and any other exciting activity that presents a real challenge for me!

**Speaker 2:** (young woman)

I've always thought that life's difficult enough, without us trying to make it harder. That's why I don't understand people who put themselves in danger through various extreme sports, or any other activities that may cause injuries. It's not that I'm afraid, but "better safe than sorry" is my motto!

**Speaker 3:** (teenage boy)

I think I am old enough to start working. I've discussed it with my parents and we've decided that I'll be working part-time at my dad's restaurant, after school. It'll be a real challenge for me, trying to balance school and work. But I think I'll be able to cope well.

**Speaker 4:** (young man)

Last year my friends persuaded me to go trekking in the mountains with them. It wasn't that bad, but what I remember most about the experience are all the cuts and bruises I got! Sure, it was challenging enough for me to walk for hours through forests and up the mountainside, but I'd have to think twice before going with them next time.

**Speaker 5:** (young woman)

One of the things I enjoy most in life is to get involved in new and exciting things in the company of my friends. Unfortunately, my best friends are also my most boring friends! I can never seem to tear them away from their computers or TVs long enough for us to do something different, something thrilling. So, when it comes to kitesurfing or skydiving, I'm on my own!