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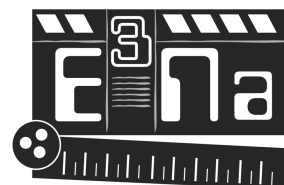
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English Literacy

Year 2 of Secondary Education





Instructions

This test consists of three parts: Listening, Reading and Writing.

Listening

We will begin with a listening test. You will hear someone speaking about a situation.

- First, read the questions (2 minutes).
- Listen carefully to the recording. You will hear the recording twice.
- After each part you will have time to answer the questions.

For each question you have to circle the right answer. *For example:*

Example 1. How many months are there in a year?

- A. 2 months.
- B. 17 months.
- ☒ C. 12 months.
- D. 10 months.

If you decide to change your answer, cross out (X) your first option and circle your new answer. *For example:*

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Reading

You will read 3 texts and answer several questions.

Writing

Lastly, you will write a short composition, following some instructions.



The whole test lasts 60 minutes.



Listening – Home sweet home

Listen to Jackie and Richard talking about their new house. Choose the best option (only ONE: A, B, C or D) or complete the sentences as in the example.



Example: Richard and Jackie bought their house in 2009.

1. They moved there...

- A. the same year.
- B. in 2010.
- C. in 2011.
- D. after 2010.

2. Jackie loves the garden because it's quite _____ and many birds visit them.

3. The house is quite close to the beach, _____, _____ and the motorway.

4. The village is...

- A. big.
- B. busy.
- C. calm.
- D. noisy.



5. Jackie and Richard have got there.

- A. a lot of colleagues
- B. good neighbours
- C. many friends
- D. some relatives

6. The living room is very comfortable: warm in winter and lovely and _____ in summer.



7. They save on heating bills because the walls...

- A. are around 0.5 meter wide.
- B. are not insulated.
- C. are newly built.
- D. are not very thick.

8. Which is one of the disadvantages?

- A. The house is too small.
- B. It hasn't got a room for guests.
- C. The bathroom isn't very bright.
- D. They have to share the bathroom.

9. Which one is false?

- A. You can't go anywhere for a drink.
- B. They need a car to move around.
- C. There are nice restaurants nearby.
- D. The internet connection is very bad.

Reading 1 – Notices

For the next 5 questions, choose the most suitable answer (A - G).

Use each letter once only.

Which notice (A - G) says this...?

Example.

It says...	Notice
"Switch off your mobile!"	A B C D E F G H
10. "Don't forget to take it back to the library"	A B C D E F G
11. "Get some money for your old instrument"	A B C D E F G
12. "If you don't wear them any more, don't throw them in the bin!"	A B C D E F G
13. "Make sure you leave the place as you find it"	A B C D E F G
14. "To clean this garment you shouldn't use the washing machine"	A B C D E F G

A



B



C



D



E



F



G



~~**H**~~



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Which notice (A - G) says this...?

	It says...	Notice
<u>Example.</u>	"Switch off your mobile!"	A B C D E F G H
15.	"Stop cycling and get off your bike"	A B C D E F G
16.	"They need someone to work there"	A B C D E F G
17.	"You can play with it if nobody else needs it"	A B C D E F G
18.	"You must take off your outdoor shoes"	A B C D E F G
19.	"You'll have to put your name on a list before entering"	A B C D E F G

A



B



C



D



E



F



G



H



Reading 2 – The great fire of London



Read this text twice and answer the questions.

In 1666 London was a busy city. It was very crowded. The streets were narrow and dirty. Fires were quite common at that time. Homes didn't have electricity, so real flames were used for lighting, cooking, and heating homes. That year, a huge fire burned down most of London – because it was so big, it was called the Great Fire of London. The fire lasted four days. There are many reasons why the fire was so large, but the main reason was that houses were made of wood, and were very close together. In those days there were no firemen to stop a fire. Another reason was that the summer of 1666 had been very dry, with no rain for months.

The fire started in a baker's shop early in the morning. The shop belonged to the king's baker, Thomas Farynor. Thomas was asleep, when a servant woke him. The bedroom was full of smoke. Thomas Farynor and his wife got out of their bakery in time, but their maid was too scared to jump from the roof. She was the first to die. Surprisingly, only nine people died as a result of the fire. With strong winds, the fire spread quickly. By Monday, 300 houses had burned down. Everybody was in a panic. People tried to leave town on foot or in carts pulled by horses. Others tried to get away on boats on the river.

Famous buildings including St Paul's Cathedral were completely destroyed, as well as 13,200 houses, and 87 churches. One hundred thousand people lost everything and became homeless.

At that time, people didn't know nearly as much about stopping fires as we do today. They just used buckets of water to stop the fire. This time a plan was suggested. They destroyed the houses to stop the fire. By Wednesday, they had the fire under control. Many people wrote at the time about the fire. They all described how dramatic and scary the fire was.

Not everyone at the time thought that the fire was an accident. Some said foreigners caused it. Others felt that the fire was started by those who were not free to follow their own religion. Some even saw the fire as a punishment from God. However, the fire was probably an accident, not a deliberate act.

20. London in 1666 was a city...

- A. clean and quiet.
- B. full of people.
- C. where firemen had to work a lot.
- D. where there were not many fires.

21. The Great fire of London was bigger than others because in the whole summer there had been no _____.

22. Thomas Farynor worked in a _____.

23. In the Great Fire of London...

- A. 300 families died.
- B. few people died.
- C. many people died.
- D. Thomas Farrinor and his wife died.

24. All people tried to leave London...

- A. by boat.
- B. in different ways.
- C. on foot.
- D. riding their horses.

25. List three jobs mentioned in this text:

_____ ; _____ and _____.

26. What's the paragraph in which is described how they stopped the fire?

- A. Paragraph 2.
- B. Paragraph 3.
- C. Paragraph 4.
- D. Paragraph 5.

27. At that time all people thought that the fire was...

- A. a punishment from God.
- B. an accident.
- C. caused by someone who wanted to set fire to London.
- D. scary and frightening.

HELP!

Punishment: castigo / zigor

28. This fragment could be part of...

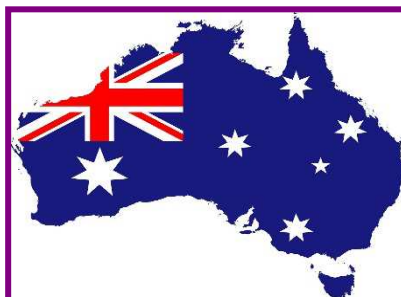
- A. a history book.
- B. a book of legends.
- C. a graphic novel.
- D. a geography book.



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Reading 3 – Australia

In this part of the exam you need to fill in 12 gaps. Read the text below and choose the most suitable word for each blank from the words given.



I was not born in Australia, but I have lived there since I was a little child. People call Australia *The lucky country*. Australia has golden^①..... and blue skies, but also a big desert and a lot of dangerous animals. However, Australia is more than just its landscapes and animals.

It became independent from the United Kingdom in 1901. It^②..... only 116 years old. It is situated in the south of Indonesia. Its large size is difficult to understand for most Europeans. Australia is almost as big as the whole of Europe.

There are few big towns in Australia and sometimes they are far from each other. To drive from one town to another on different coasts can take a week, as you^③..... to travel through one of the^④..... and most inhospitable deserts in the world. That is the reason why most people^⑤.....

Australia is very famous for its large number of dangerous animals. Many people^⑥..... me if the animals in Australia are really dangerous. The answer is yes. In my city sharks are common in the^⑦....., meaning I am very^⑧..... when I go surfing. Snakes are also a problem. For example, in my garden, there are often many dangerous snakes that can kill a man if they don't have an antidote within 3 hours.

Australia has different cultures. Almost^⑨..... of all Australians were born in other countries or had one parent^⑩..... was born in another country. In Australia, the most^⑪..... sport is Australian football. It is incredibly^⑫..... to both play and watch.

I hope that now you all know a little bit more about Australia.

29. Write the word that corresponds to each number:

ASK	BEACHES	CAREFUL	FLY
HAVE	OCEAN	FUN	IS
POPULAR	HALF	LARGEST	WHO

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Writing

There is a writing competition in your school and the topic of this year's contest is "**ALL ABOUT MY BEST FRIEND**". Write **about 100 words** answering the following questions:

- Who is s/he?
- How long have you known him/her?
- What activities do you share with him/her?
- Why is this person your best friend?



ORGANIZE YOUR IDEAS before you start writing (this planning is scored).

First paragraph

Second paragraph

Third paragraph

Fourth paragraph

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Mark
0, 1 or 2

Task	Planning	0, 1 or 2
	Adequacy	
	Coherence	
Language	Cohesion	
	Grammatical accuracy	
	Spelling accuracy	
	Lexical Range	
Item 30 – Total:		

