

DIAGNOSTIC EVALUATION

Year 2 of Secondary Education

SCHOOL YEAR 2025-2026

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ENGLISH LITERACY

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.

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Reading

You will read three texts and answer several questions.

Writing

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



The whole test lasts 70 minutes.

Listening

Listen this audio about sports in the UK. Choose the best option (a, b, c or d) or complete the sentences as in the example (0).

0. Example: Jackie has recently travelled from ... *Portugal* ... to the UK.

1. Cricket...

- A. ...was the most popular sport in the UK.
- B. ...is not very popular in Scotland.
- C. ...is very popular in the UK, especially in Scotland.
- D. ...is not a very popular sport in the UK.

2. Choose the only true sentence about cricket's rules:

- A. All the players are dressed the same.
- B. The ball is hard and white.
- C. The bat is a red piece of wood.
- D. You have to run to your partner.

3. Which sentence is correct?

- A. Cricket is only played in the UK and Asia.
- B. England is not always the best cricket team.
- C. England always beats the other national cricket teams.
- D. They play cricket in the United States.

4. According to the text, rounders:

- A. Is played in the United States.
- B. Is only played by girls.
- C. Is similar to baseball and cricket.
- D. Is a good sport for those who do not like running.

5. Which sentence is correct according to the audio?

- A. More than one million people practice jogging.
- B. Many people go jogging in the evening.
- C. Jogging is popular in areas with modern offices.
- D. Jogging causes stress sometimes.

6. In the UK:

- A. There is an important tennis tournament in July.
- B. It's not easy to play tennis because of the weather.
- C. You can play tennis in most parks.
- D. There is a large tradition of tennis winners.

7. Where in London is Wimbledon located?

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8. Rollerblading:

- A. Is very popular near the River Thames.
- B. Is the best way to keep fit.
- C. Is the star sport in the Festival Pier.
- D. Used to be more popular.

9. According to the audio say if these sentences are true or false:

	True	False
A. There are football fields in nearly every UK park.		
B. You can only play cricket if there is good weather.		
C. You have to wear a jacket in order to play football.		
D. Wimbledon is played on grass.		

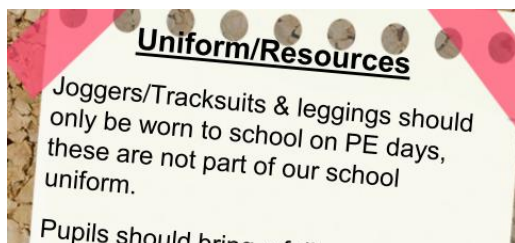
10. Choose the best title for this listening:

- A. Doing sport is important to be healthy.
- B. Alternative sports in UK.
- C. Traditional sports in UK.
- D. The most popular sports in UK.

Reading 1

PART 1. For the next short messages, which sentence means the same? Choose the most suitable sentence (A, B, C, D) as in the example.

Example.



- A. Pupils can never wear anything different from the school uniform.
- B. Pupils are allowed to wear tracksuits to school only on PE days.
- C. Pupils should wear tracksuits only for PE lessons.

11.

Adventure Park £

Half-price tickets for groups of 12 or more.

Ask at entrance!

- A. You get into the park through the entrance.
- B. It is more expensive to go there alone.
- C. You will have fun if you come with friends.
- D. You can only buy your tickets at the entrance.

12.

Hello Robert,

Thanks for inviting me to dinner. I'd love to come, but I don't eat meat and I can't eat food with milk in it because it makes me sick. I hope that's not too much trouble.

Kate

- A. Kate does not want dinner because she feels too sick.
- B. Robert must prepare meat and milk for dinner.
- C. Robert will have to buy special food for Kate.
- D. If Kate eats meat, she gets sick.

13.

Hi Ben,

I've booked concert tickets for both of us online. Can you give me the money this afternoon when I see you?

Tim

- A. Tim has bought some books for him and Ben.
- B. Tim and Ben are going to a concert this afternoon.
- C. Tim wants to know if Ben can pay him back today.
- D. Tim has paid the tickets and Ben doesn't want to pay him back.

14.

School trip

Just a few tickets left!

See secretary to book your place by Friday.

- A. The school trip is on Friday.
- B. You have to book your ticket before Friday.
- C. You can only book the ticket on Friday.
- D. The trip was organized just for very few people.

15.

Hi Matt,

I'm going on holiday this Saturday and I forgot to tell anyone at football. Could you tell the manager for me when you go?

Thanks,

Sam

- A. Sam wants Matt to speak to the manager.
- B. Sam needs to speak to the manager.
- C. Matt wants Sam to speak to the manager.
- D. Sam told the manager he can't play football on Saturday.

16.

The Starlets

The show begins this Saturday at 8 pm!
Buy your tickets now online and save 10%!

- A. You can buy tickets for the show only online.
- B. You can buy tickets from Saturday at 8 pm.
- C. There are no tickets left for the show.
- D. It's cheaper to buy tickets online.

17.

SALE

All tables and chairs on sale now until next Friday.

Tables 99 pounds.
Chairs 89 pounds.

- A. There is free furniture until Friday.
- B. The furniture sale starts next Friday.
- C. You can buy cheaper furniture from today.
- D. Tables are cheaper than chairs.

18.

Hello Mr Matthews,
Sorry I missed our class today.
Can you please send me the
homework? I will do it this evening.
Thanks,
Henry

- A. Henry didn't come to class today.
- B. Henry is sorry he didn't do the homework.
- C. Henry has already done homework this evening.
- D. Henry is sorry he lost the homework.

19.

PICNIC AREA

No ball games here - Please use the other side of the park.

- A. You can eat in the other side of the park.
- B. You can play basketball here.
- C. This is a place for eating and you can't play football here.
- D. You have to eat in the other side of the park.

20.

PEDRO'S PIZZA BAR

Buy two pizzas at the same time, and we'll give you a third for free!
This offer is Mon-Fri only.



- A. The offer is only on weekdays.
- B. If you buy two pizzas, you have to pay for the third.
- C. On Saturdays, you can also get the offer.
- D. The offer is only at weekends.

Reading 2

Pizza Time

Pizza is one of the most popular foods in the world, but its history goes back thousands of years. The origins of pizza can be traced to ancient civilizations such as the Egyptians, Greeks, and Romans, who baked flatbreads with toppings like oil, herbs, and cheese. These early versions of pizza were not like the pizzas we eat today, but they were the start of pizza's long history. Did you know that soldiers in ancient Persia baked flatbreads with cheese and dates on their shields*?

However, the pizza we know today started in Naples, Italy, in the 18th century. At that time, Naples was a busy city with many poor workers who needed cheap and filling food. They began adding tomatoes, which had been brought from the Americas, to their flatbreads. This new dish became very popular.

One of the most famous moments in pizza history happened in 1889 when Queen Margherita of Italy visited Naples. A local chef, Raffaele Esposito, prepared a special pizza for her with tomatoes, mozzarella cheese, and basil, representing the colours of the Italian flag. This pizza was named *Margherita* in her honour.

In the early 20th century, Italian immigrants brought pizza to the United States. It quickly became popular, especially in cities like New York and Chicago. Through the years, different styles of pizza developed, such as thin-crust New York pizza and deep-dish Chicago pizza.

Pizza is a tasty and popular food that can be eaten in many ways at a restaurant, made at home, or baked in a wood-fired oven. It is great for any occasion, from family dinners to parties with friends. More than just food, pizza is something that brings people together. With so many different flavours and toppings to choose from. It is a favourite around the world!

***Shields** = any protection used to intercept blows, missiles, etc, such as a hard piece of armour carried on the arm.

21. Which of the following options best describes the early origins of pizza?

- A. Flatbreads baked with toppings.
- B. A food for poor workers during the 18th century.
- C. The first pizzas were identical to the ones we eat today.
- D. Flatbreads baked without any toppings at all.

22. What did the early versions of pizza include?

- A. Tomatoes and cheese.
- B. Oils, herbs, and cheese.
- C. Basil and mozzarella.
- D. Deep-dish toppings.

23. What toppings did the ancient soldiers in Persia use on their flatbreads?

- A. Cheese and oil.
- B. Cheese and dates.
- C. Mozzarella and herbs.
- D. Tomatoes and herbs.

24. Where did the pizza we know today start?

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25. Why was pizza a good solution for people in Naples? Because...

- A. ... they needed light and healthy food such as tomatoes.
- B. ... they needed some food that would feed and fill them.
- C. ... it was fancy and funny food.
- D. ... it was made with ingredients representing the colours of the Italian flag.

26. Say if these sentences are true or false according to the text:

	True	False
A. Pizza has changed over time to become the pizza we know today.		
B. Queen Margherita created a pizza with her own name.		
C. Deep-dish pizza is typical from Chicago.		
D. The most popular pizza in the world is thin crust pizza.		

27. How did pizza arrive in the United States?

- A. They already knew it, because tomatoes were born in America.
- B. Through trade between United States and Italy.
- C. Italian workers brought it.
- D. The queen introduced it.

28. Add a title to each paragraph of the text: write the letter A, B, C, D or E next to the paragraph.

Title
A. Pizza Margherita.
B. Very adaptable food.
C. Pizza goes abroad.
D. Working-class food.
E. Origin of pizza.

	Title
Paragraph 1	
Paragraph 2	
Paragraph 3	
Paragraph 4	
Paragraph 5	

29. In which order were these ingredients used for the first time? Order them from oldest (1) to newest (4). Write 1, 2, 3, 4:

	Order
A. Tomatoes	
B. Thin-crust	
C. Flatbread	
D. Mozzarella	

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Reading 3

Queen Nefertiti: The Mysterious Egyptian Queen

Queen Nefertiti is one of the most famous and mysterious figures of ancient Egypt. She lived over 3,000 years **(1)** and was the wife of Pharaoh Akhenaten. Together, they **(2)** Egypt during the 14th century BC, a time of great change. Nefertiti's name means "The Beautiful One Has Come," and she is remembered **(3)** her beauty, intelligence, and power.

Nefertiti and Akhenaten introduced a new religious system, adoring only one god, Aten, the sun god. This **(4)** very different from the traditional Egyptian belief in **(5)** gods. Their rule was revolutionary, but it also caused difference of opinion among the people and priests **(6)**, were unhappy with these changes.

One of the **(7)** famous images of Nefertiti is her painted bust, discovered **(8)** 1912. This sculpture, with her high crown and elegant features, is considered a masterpiece of ancient Egyptian art. Today, it is displayed in a museum in Berlin, Germany.

Despite her influence, Nefertiti mysteriously disappeared from historical records. Some believe she changed her name and ruled Egypt **(9)** a pharaoh after Akhenaten's death. Others think she may have died suddenly or lost power. To this day, historians and archaeologists continue to search for her tomb, hoping to uncover **(10)** secrets about **(11)** life and rule.

Queen Nefertiti remains a symbol of beauty, mystery, and strength. Her legacy **(12)** to inspire people, and her story reminds us of the fascinating and powerful women in ancient history.

30. Write the word that corresponds to each number:

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FOR	WHO	MANY	MOST
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Writing

31. Write a description, in about 125 words, about a travel destination. It can be a famous place or you can talk about your city or town.

Use the tips below:

Paragraph 1. Name of the place, where it is.

Paragraph 2. General information: how to get there, the weather, language, size...

Paragraph 3. Description of the place, things to see and do.

Paragraph 4. Opinion of the place.

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

First paragraph	
Second paragraph	
Third paragraph	
Fourth paragraph	

Now write your text here:



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	ADEQUACY	Task and length	
		Layout and register	
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		Cohesion devices	
	GRAMMATICAL ACCURACY	Verbs and sentences	
		Prepositions, pronouns...	
	SPELLING ACCURACY		
	LEXICAL RANGE		
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