

SCHOOL YEARS	2020-2021	TERM:	2	SUBJECT:	LANGUAGE ARTS
TEACHER:	Vicente J. Suárez				GRADE: 8
DATE:					COURSE: A/B
					SCORE: ____/27 ____/10
GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:	1. Read the questions carefully. 2. You have 60 minutes to develop the evaluation. 3. If you have completed the exam, review it carefully and then submit.				

Reading

A Read the article about drones.

Are drones really useful?



Drones were first used by the military in areas that were dangerous or difficult for normal pilots. They were used as an 'eye-in-the-sky' to send images of war zones. Now they are popular in everyday life and many people have one.

But are drones a good thing? It is difficult to enjoy the peace and quiet of the mountains or beautiful national parks when people are flying their noisy drones in **these** areas. They are dangerous if they are flown near airports. People also worry that drones are secretly taking photos of them and don't want these photos to appear on social media.

However, drones take fantastic photos from the air and show us views that we have never seen before. It is a different way of sightseeing. People now want to show and share their holidays and weddings more creatively by taking drone photos and videos of themselves! Travel companies are keen on drone images too for their websites and images from the air also give important information to scientists. They show how changes to the climate affect forests and farms, rivers and deserts.

Many people think that 'drone-diving' will soon be the next extreme sport. A drone will take you up into the air and then let you parachute back to earth. This year, a football for a Portuguese football match was flown into the stadium by a man standing on and flying a drone! Will drone-surfing be the next big hobby?

Apart from free-time activities, there are already plans to use drones for transport. Drones will fly in to pick up food, shopping and packages from a special drone center and transport them quickly and easily to people who live and work in the cities. They will also drop medicines and food by parachute in areas that are affected by disasters like earthquakes and hurricanes.

Drones offer many possibilities. But if drones are going to be part of our future, like robots and artificial intelligence, we will need rules to explain clearly how to use them.

B Complete the *Exam Task*.

Exam Task

Read the article about drones again. Are sentences **1–8** 'Right' (A) or 'Wrong' (B)? If there is not enough information to answer 'Right' (A) or 'Wrong' (B), choose 'Doesn't say' (C).

- 1 Drones were invented ten years ago.
- 2 The military used drones before other people.
- 3 Drones fly quietly.
- 4 Many planes can't take off at airports when there are drones flying.
- 5 Drones can take great photos from the air.

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(____ / 5 marks)

Vocabulary and Use your English

A Complete the sentences with these verbs.

board

lose

plug in

shuffle

wear

- Remember to _____ a seatbelt on a plane and in a car.
- Where can I _____ my computer?
- Before you play this game you need to _____ the cards.
- Passengers will _____ the plane in fifteen minutes.
- I always _____ when I play chess!

(___ / 5 marks)

B Complete the Exam Task.

Exam Task

Read the descriptions about some things people use or need. What is the word for each one? The first letter is already there. There is **one** space for **each letter** in the word.

- You pull this to help you open a door. h _____.
- You look at this on a computer. s _____.
- Many people wear these to listen to music. e _____.
- Players use this to move around a board game. c _____.
- You buy one of these to get on a train or a plane. t _____.

(___ / 5 marks)

Listening

A Listen and complete the Exam Task.

Exam Task

You will hear six short conversations. You will hear each conversation twice. There is one question for each conversation. For each conversation, choose the right answer (A, B or C).

- 1 What equipment does Marc need to take?



A



B



C

- 2 Which machine does Clare buy for her home?



A



B



C

- 3 Which salad do the two students order?



A



B



C

- 4 What game are the children going to play?



A



B



C

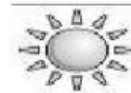
- 5 What's the weather like today?



A



B



C

- 6 Who is Andy's sister?



A



B



C

(___ / 6 marks)

B Listen and complete the *Exam Task*.

Exam Task

Listen to Darren talking about his school friends' summer plans. What are each of his friends doing? For questions **1–6**, write a letter **A–H** next to each item. You will hear the conversation twice.

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| 1 | Jamie | ☐ |
| 2 | Anita | ☐ |
| 3 | Freddy | ☐ |
| 4 | Toby | ☐ |
| 5 | Sara | ☐ |
| 6 | Olga | ☐ |

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| A | adventure holiday |
| B | camping holiday |
| C | cruise |
| D | volunteering |
| E | beach holiday |
| F | caravan holiday |
| G | staying at home |
| H | surfing lessons |

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