NGUYEN BINH KHIEM SECONDARY SCHOOL

Class

Candidate Name: _____

MID-COURSE TEST

IELTS Introduction A (Grade 6)

Reading

Time allowance: 40 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open this question paper until you are told to do so.

Write your name, Class number in the spaces at the top of this page and on your answer sheet if they are not already there.

Read the instructions for each part of the paper carefully.

Answer all the questions.

While you are listening, write your answers on the question paper.

You **must** complete the answer sheet in the time allowed.

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Part 4 • READING

READING PASSAGE 1

*Read the article. Then answer Questions **31 – 40**.*

British artists living abroad

Article by James Nole

Sally Campbell is a 32-year-old actress from London, but right now, she's living in Paris in a flat that overlooks the Seine. Sally's mother is French, which means Sally can speak the language perfectly. Sally is very talented. She likes acting in films, but she can also sing and dance brilliantly and she currently has a leading part in a French musical. She also plays the piano very well. In her spare time, Sally likes to relax at home by watching romantic films. She has no plans to return to Britain.

Tom Hammond is from Glasgow, but he lives in New York. He's 18 and he's a music student. Tom plays the piano and the guitar very well. He also writes songs with his friend John. Tom writes the music and John writes the lyrics. When they're happy with a new song, they usually perform it to students at the college. They love to have an audience and would really like to be in a band. When he isn't composing, Tom downloads his favorite music from the Internet.

Hannah Brown is a writer. She's from Manchester, but she lives in Italy. Hannah is 25 and likes writing romantic novels. Her ambition, of course, is to be a published writer, so she writes every day for at least four hours. Her favorite time to write is early morning, but she sometimes works late at night too. In the afternoon, Hannah works as a waitress in a café. She doesn't really enjoy this part of her life, but she needs the money to stay in Italy.

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Questions 31 – 35

Look at the following statements and the list of people below. Match each statement with the correct category, ***A*** *–* ***C****.*

NB *You may use any letter more than once.*

List of people

A. Sally

B. Tom

C. Hannah

31. This person speaks another language very well.

32. This person uses a computer.

33. This person works in the afternoon.

34. This person is a student.

35. This person can play one musical instrument.

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Questions 36 – 40

*Complete the sentences. Write **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS** for each answer.*

36. Sally plays a main role in _____.

37. When she's free, Sally watches _____.

38. Tom and his friend John usually play their music at _____.

39. Hannah wants to become _____.

40. Hannah works as a waitress because she _____.

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READING PASSAGE 2

*Read the article. Then answer Questions **41 – 50**.*

Living in the Blue Zone

A A 'Blue Zone' is a name for a place where people live longer, healthier lives. The Hunza Valley is in the North of Pakistan. It is a place where people can live until the age of 90 in good health. Some people even get to the age of 120! The Hunza Valley is a rich, fertile area with a lot of farms. The region is located high up in the mountains and is isolated from the rest of the world.

B No one really knows how long the people of the Hunza Valley live. The truly extraordinary fact is that all studies of the Hunza show that the older people are fit, healthy and full of energy. The mountain areas where they live are extremely rough, and their lives are spent moving between the steep mountains and rocky valleys. The people here are fitter and healthier than even the famous Sherpa people of the Himalaya region.

C The Hunza people have a simple lifestyle and eat mostly plants, which are eaten raw. Because they don't have large amounts of fuel for cooking food and there aren't many animals available for eating, they plant what they can and gather the rest. Apricots, cherries, and other fruits are all grown by the Hunza. They also eat a lot of grains including wheat and barley.

D The Hunza people are described by some researchers as 'the happiest people on earth.' Perhaps their love of life can be explained by their daily exercise and simple way of living. If you take anything away from their knowledge, let it be these three things: eat raw fruits and vegetables, exercise daily, and have a positive outlook.

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Questions 41 – 46

Do the following statements agree with the information given in the text? Write

TRUE	*if the statement agrees with the information*
FALSE	*if the statement contradicts the information*
NOT GIVEN	*if there is no information on this.*

41. Most of the Hunza people survive to the age of 120.

42. The Hunza people have lived in the Hunza Valley for a long time.

43. The Hunza people are less healthy than the Sherpa people.

44. The Hunza people mostly eat fruit and vegetables.

45. The Hunza people are good at cooking.

46. The Hunza people have a positive view of life.

Questions 47 – 50

*Answer the questions. Write **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS** for each answer.*

47. Where is the Hunza Valley?

48. What word is used to describe the location of the Hunza Valley?

49. What word is used to describe the lifestyle of the Hunza people

50. How do the Hunza people eat fruits and vegetables?

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