

ENGLISH EXAMINATION
COURSE: 3RD ADULTS
BOOK: NEW ENGLISH FILE PRE-INTERMEDIATE (THIRD EDITION)
UNITS 9 AND 10

1) READING COMPREHENSION: Read the text and write True (T) or False (F)

Our guest this week is Matt Cross who works as an interpreter for an international organization. Here are some of the things Matt told us when we spoke to him in Zurich.

1. I haven't always been interested in languages. When I was at school my favourite subjects were Biology and Maths. And, of course, I loved all sports, I was in the school football and cricket teams. I used to play every Saturday. '

2. I became interested in languages when I went to an exchange visit to France and then, the next year, to Germany. I enjoy speaking to people in their own language and I seem to learn languages very quickly. I don't mind people laughing at my mistakes and I always ask my friends to correct me when I make a mistake.

3. After my visit to Germany, I decided to study a foreign language at university. I chose Japanese because very few people can speak and write Japanese in the UK. I thought I would get a good job. I worked hard at university and did well in the examinations. Then I got a job with a company in Tokyo. I lived and worked in Tokyo for four years.

4. Now I'm working in Zurich and I'm enjoying my job very much. The best part of the job is meeting lots of interesting people. The worst part is that we often have to work late in the evening and at weekends. I like Zurich — there's a lot to do here. I've got a modern flat near the centre of the city — it's on the fifth floor and the view over the city is great. I've painted all the rooms myself — in my favourite colours — grey, cream and blue.

5. I think I will stay in my present job for five or six years and then move to the USA. My girlfriend is American. She works in New - York so I'd like to get a job there, perhaps working for a multinational company.

- 1) Matt was interested in languages before going on an exchange visit to France.
- 2) When he makes mistakes he wants his friends to correct him. .
- 3) He had good marks in the exams.
- 4) He never has to work late, only at weekends. ... '
- 5) He wants to move to the USA when he finishes his work in Zurich.

2) Put the verbs in brackets in the correct tense

Before (1) (appear) on TV nobody had heard of Hannah Hauxwell. However, she (2) _____ (become) a common name. She used to (3) _____ (live) seven miles from the nearest road, without any electricity or running water, and in the winter she was cut off if it (4) (rain) heavily. Her friends (5) _____ (be) very relieved when she finally (6) _____ (decide) to move. Last year TV viewers (7) _____ (see) her deep emotion at (8) (leave) the farm where she has lived for more than 30 years. She (9) _____ (just / finish) her autobiography and she said she (10) _____ (write) another book about her life next year.

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3) Complete the following dialogue

Torn got lost.

Tom: (1) _____ SoHo on the subway?

Sophie: Go to the subway station at Grand Central — 42nd Street Take line 6 towards Brooklyn Bridge — City Hall. Get off at Spring Street.

Tom: (2) _____?

Sophie: OK. Take line 6 from Grand Central — 42nd Street to Spring Street.

Tom: (3) _____?

Sophie: Seven stops. Then you can walk to the restaurant

Tom: (4) _____?

Sophie: Come out of the subway on Spring Street. Go straight on for about 80 yards and the restaurant is on the right It's called Balthazar.

Tom: Thank you!

4) Multiple choice

1) If my sister _____ older she could go to the party with me.

- a) would be b) is c) were

2) Saturn's rings _____ by Galileo.

- a) have discovered b) were discovered c) discovered

3) I _____ behave very well.

- a) not used to b) didn't used to c) didn't use to

4) I'm really tired so I _____ go out tonight

- a) might not b) must not c) should

5) When _____ John Lennon born?

- a) was b) has been c) is

5) WRITING: Write the biography of Queen Elizabeth I

Write biography John Lennon's biography. Include as much of this information as you can:

Useful information:

- Year of Birth: 1941 Country: England
- rock musician, singer, songwriter
- child (Live) with his aunt and uncle in Liverpool.
- 12 years old(learn) to play the harmonica.
- teenager (Meet) Paul McCartney in 1955 (start) the Beatles in 1960.
- 18 years old his mother (die) in a car accident.
- Later (write) some of the most popular music in rock and roll history
- March 20th 1969 John (marry) Yoko Ono.
- The following year, John (leave) the Beatles
- 1975(go) to New York and (have) a son called Sean.
- December 8th 1980, John Lennon (be) killed outside his home in New York.

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