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ENGLISH A1 - MID-TERM TEST

1. READING

Part 1:

Questions 1–5

- Look at the text in each question.
- What does it say?
- Mark the letter next to the correct explanation – **A**, **B** or **C** – **on your answer sheet**.

Example:

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★ Do not leave your bicycle touching the window.

B Broken glass may damage your bicycle tyres.

C Your bicycle may not be safe here.

Example answer:

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0	**A** ■	**B** □	**C** □

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A Do not go away until we have checked your books.

B Check you have all your books before you leave the library.

C Do not leave books here for checking without telling us.

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A We will keep any picture for you if you give us £25.

B Some of the pictures in the gallery are reserved.

C It costs £25 to show your picture in the gallery.

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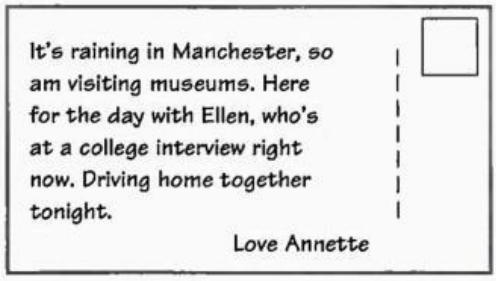

A Ellen and Annette are spending the day together sightseeing.

B Annette is writing this card while Ellen attends an interview.

C Ellen is staying overnight in Manchester, but Annette isn't.

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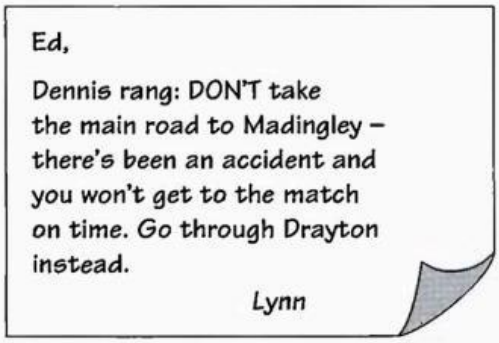

A To arrive punctually, Ed should use a different route.

B Dennis suggests that it's quicker to go on the main road.

C If there's enough time, Lynn would like to see the match.

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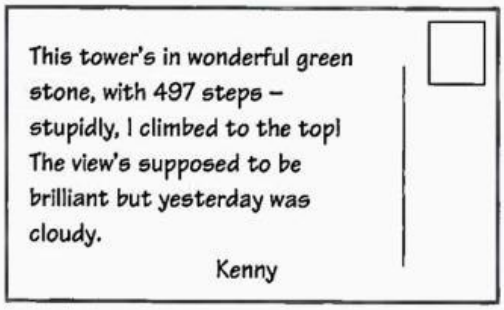

What did Kenny like about the tower?

A the view it gave from the top

B the material used to build it

C the number of steps it has

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Part 2:

Questions 21–25

- Read the text and questions below.
- For each question, mark the letter next to the correct answer – **A**, **B**, **C** or **D** – **on your answer sheet.**

John Fisher, a builder, and his wife Elizabeth wanted more living space, so they left their small flat for an old 40-metre-high castle tower. They have spent five years turning it into a beautiful home with six floors, winning three architectural prizes.

'I love the space, and being private,' Elizabeth says. 'You feel separated from the world. If I'm in the kitchen, which is 25 metres above the ground floor, and the doorbell rings, I don't have to answer it because visitors can't see I'm in!'

'There are 142 steps to the top, so if I go up and down five or six times a day, it's very good exercise! But having to carry heavy things to the top is terrible, so I never buy more than two bags of shopping from the supermarket at a time. Apart from that, it's a brilliant place to live.'

'When we first saw the place, I asked my father's advice about buying it, because we couldn't decide. After paying for it, we were a bit worried because it looked awful. But we really loved it, and knew how we wanted it to look.'

'Living here can be difficult – yesterday I climbed a four-metre ladder to clean the windows. But when you stand on the roof you can see all the way out to sea on a clear day, and that's a wonderful experience. I'm really glad we moved.'

21 What is the writer trying to do in the text?

A describe how to turn an old tower into a house
B recommend a particular builder
C describe what it is like to live in a tower
D explain how to win prizes for building work

22 From this text, a reader can find out

A why visitors are not welcome at John and Elizabeth's house.
B why Elizabeth exercises every day.
C why Elizabeth asked her father to buy the tower.
D why John and Elizabeth left their flat.

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23 Which of the following best describes Elizabeth's feelings about the tower?

A She wanted it as soon as she saw it.
B She likes most things about it.
C She has been worried since they paid for it.
D She finds it unsuitable to live in.

24 What problem does Elizabeth have with living in such a tall building?

A Her visitors find it difficult to see if she is at home.
B She feels separated from other people.
C She cannot bring home lots of shopping at once.
D It is impossible to clean any of the windows.

25 How will John and Elizabeth advertise their tower if they sell it?

A

FOR SALE
Tall building, formerly a castle. High windows give a good view. Needs some improvement.

B

FOR SALE
A house with a difference – a castle tower, turned into a lovely home.
Wonderful view.

C

FOR SALE
Prize-winning home, five years old. Six rooms, all with sea views.

D

FOR SALE
Castle tower, turned into six small flats, close to supermarket.

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2. WRITING

Part 1:

Questions 1–5

- Here are some sentences about daily travel.
- For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first, **using no more than three words.**
- **Write only the missing words on your answer sheet.**

Example: Going by bus is quicker than cycling.

Cycling takes longer than **going by bus.**

1 Maria lives a long way from her office.

Maria's office isn't ..... **her home.**

2 It is a forty-minute bus journey to her office.

The bus journey to her office ..... **forty minutes.**

3 Driving a car in the town centre is not allowed.

You are not allowed ..... **cars in the town centre.**

4 Maria sometimes takes a taxi although it is expensive.

Maria doesn't often take a taxi ..... **it is expensive.**

5 Yesterday she got up too late to catch the bus.

Yesterday she got up so late that she ..... **the bus.**

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LISTENING

Part 1:

Questions 1–7

- There are seven questions in this part.
- For each question there are three pictures and a short recording.
- Choose the correct picture and put a tick (✓) in the box below it.

Example: What's the time?

A ☑

B ☐

C ☐

1 What is the man going to buy?

A ☐

B ☐

C ☐

2 Which dress is Kate talking about?

A ☐

B ☐

C ☐

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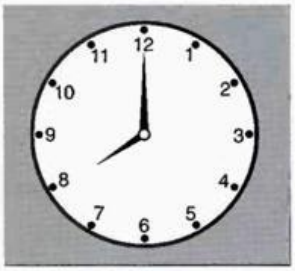
3 When will Jane meet them?



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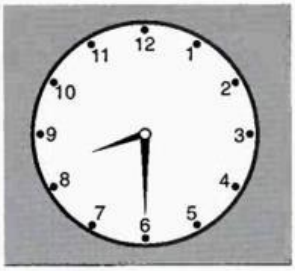

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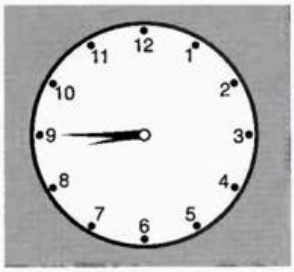

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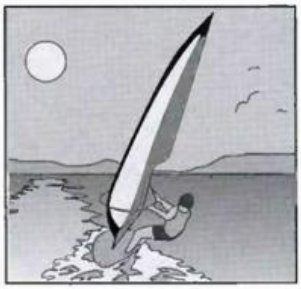

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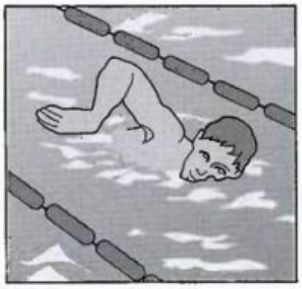

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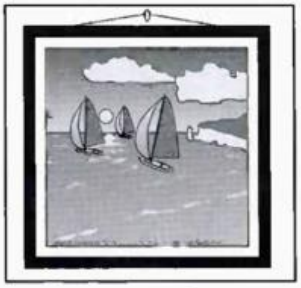
5 Which painting does the woman decide to buy?



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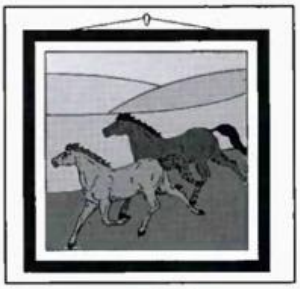

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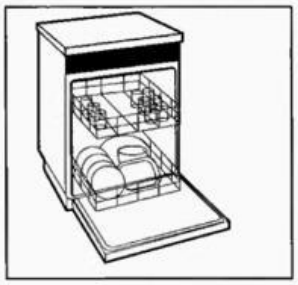
6 What is the man selling?



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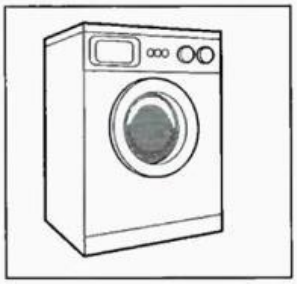

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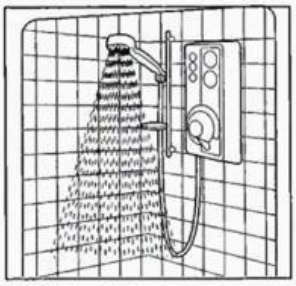

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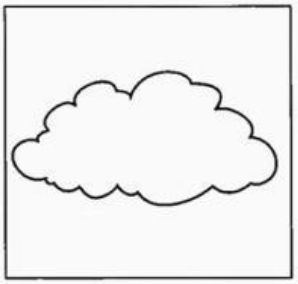
7 What is the weather forecast for tomorrow?



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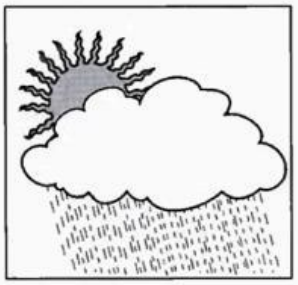

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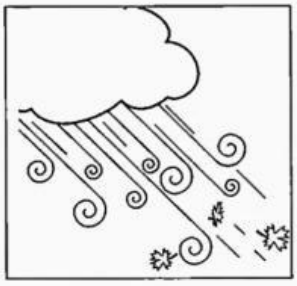

C ☐

Part 2:

Questions 8–13

- You will hear a woman called Sarah talking to a group of people about her painting.
- For each question put a tick (✓) in the correct box.

8 How often does Sarah paint now?

A ☐ three days a week

B ☐ five days a week

C ☐ every evening

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9 Sarah earns enough money from her painting to

- **A** ☐ give up her computing job.
- **B** ☐ pay for her flat and car.
- **C** ☐ pay for her artist's materials.

10 When she was at primary school, Sarah

- **A** ☐ painted pictures of people.
- **B** ☐ learnt to use chalk.
- **C** ☐ drew scenes in pencil.

11 What pleased Sarah most about her painting holidays?

- **A** ☐ meeting other artists
- **B** ☐ seeing beautiful scenery
- **C** ☐ receiving individual teaching

12 Which of these has Sarah done?

- **A** ☐ painted people in Greece
- **B** ☐ painted sunrises in Scotland
- **C** ☐ watched birds in Spain

13 After watching Sarah's video, the audience will

- **A** ☐ fill in a questionnaire about the talk.
- **B** ☐ look round an art exhibition.
- **C** ☐ have a break and a drink.

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