

# Test 8

## Useful Vocabulary

for Practice Test 8, Reading, Parts 1 to 3

### Reading - Part 1

**practise** (v) repeat something often, such as playing the piano, so you can become good at it

**usual** (adj) normal

### Reading - Part 2



**exercise** (n) activity you do in order to be healthy and fit

**musical instrument** (n) something like a violin or piano that you play to make music



**camping** (n) sleeping outdoors in a tent

**woods** (n) forest, area with many trees growing close together



**prize** (n) something (like money, or a gift) that is given to the winner of a competition as a reward

**national** (adj) belonging to a country

**backpack** (n) large bag worn on the back that contains clothes and items necessary for travelling for a long period



**tent** (n) a temporary place for sleeping in, that is made of cloth and used for camping



### Reading - Part 3

**international** (adj) involving many countries

**bored** (adj) not interested



**businesswoman** (n) a woman who owns or works for a business and usually earns good money



**subject** (n) topic of conversation or study

**chat** (v) have a discussion with someone on the phone, internet, or face to face

**share** (v) allow other people to use something that you have at the same time as you



## Vocabulary Development for Test 8, Reading, Parts 1 to 3



### Exercise A

Choose the correct answer (A, B or C) to complete the following sentences.

- I used to ..... an apartment with Mary.  
A practise      B chat      C share
- Harry enjoys ..... in the summer with his friends.  
A camping      B tent      C backpack
- Suddenly, she changed the ..... and started talking about something else.  
A subject      B woods      C musical instrument

### Exercise B

Complete sentences 4-7 using four of the words below.

prize      usual      woods  
bored      exercise      national

- He advised her to get ..... every day.
- We camped for two weeks at the ..... park.
- Kim won a ..... in the spelling competition.
- She was getting ..... with doing the same thing every day.



# Test 8

## Reading

### PART 1 Questions 1-6

For each question, choose the correct answer.

1.

**Ice Cream Shop**

Special offer for today only! Chocolate or Lemon, half price when you buy 1kg or more.



- A. If you buy 1kg of chocolate ice cream you can buy one more kilogram at half price.
- B. 3kg of lemon ice cream is half price today.
- C. Today you can buy as much ice cream as you want at half price.

2.



- A. Today the musicians are arriving earlier than usual.
- B. Mick can't open the theatre at 4.30pm.
- C. Jane wants Mick to open the theatre today five hours earlier.

3.

**School Snack Shop**

We are looking for two students to help at the snack shop during the morning and afternoon break.

Please see Mr Jones.



- A. Students must work during their school breaks.
- B. The snack shop is not open during the morning and afternoon breaks.
- C. The snack shop is looking for staff.



4.

**FOUND**

A large blue sport's bag in the school hall. It was found after the concert practice on Monday.



See Mrs Jones in the school office.

- A. Someone left their bag in the school office.
- B. Someone forgot their bag after music practice.
- C. There was a concert on Monday at the school office.

5.

**Family Cycle Ride**

5-mile cycle ride around the park this Sunday at 11am.



Everybody is welcome!

- A. Only people who can ride 5 miles or more can come on Sunday.
- B. Families can cycle together around the park.
- C. The cycle ride finishes at 11 o'clock.

6.

← → C

New Message

From: Peter

To: Helen

Hello,  
We're having a barbecue on Saturday at my place. Please can you bring some meat, a few sausages and some chicken?  
Thanks.

Send

Why has Peter written this?

- A. to ask if Helen wants to have a barbecue at her home
- B. to tell Helen that they cannot meet on Saturday
- C. to ask Helen to buy some things for his barbecue party

**PART 2** Questions 7-13

For each question, choose the correct answer.

|                                                                   | Carol | Sergei | Dimitra |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|--------|---------|
| 7. Which person gets the most exercise?                           | A     | B      | C       |
| 8. Which person doesn't play a musical instrument?                | A     | B      | C       |
| 9. Which person likes to go camping?                              | A     | B      | C       |
| 10. Which person takes photos of animals?                         | A     | B      | C       |
| 11. Which person travels with a family member?                    | A     | B      | C       |
| 12. Which person doesn't travel by public transport?              | A     | B      | C       |
| 13. Which person might travel as part of their job in the future? | A     | B      | C       |

### Three teenagers and their hobbies

**Carol**



Carol goes everywhere with her camera. She often goes to the woods where there are different birds. She always goes there on her bike. She wants to cycle even more, if possible, because she needs to do more exercise. Carol likes reading a lot of books about birds and looking at the pictures. She often sends her pictures to competitions. Last year she won first prize in a national competition. She wants to travel to South America and Asia to see lots of different birds, but she is afraid of flying.

**Sergei**



Sergei's family is very musical. His father plays the guitar and his brother sings in a local rock band. Sergei likes to play the piano all the time and he sometimes plays with his dad. He goes to many concerts around the country with his brother. Sergei can't drive yet so he always travels by train. When he is not playing the piano, he takes photos of lorries. If he can't be a musician when he is older, then he wants to be a lorry driver.

**Dimitra**



Dimitra loves to be outside all the time. If it's a nice weekend, she will put on her backpack and travel by bus to the countryside. She loves walking a lot and she also follows rivers for miles and miles. And she loves doing a lot of exercise every day. When it starts to get dark, she tries to find a safe place to sleep in her tent and cook her dinner. She always takes her MP3 player with her everywhere she goes because she loves music. When she is at home, she has guitar lessons.



**PART 3 Questions 14-18**

For each question, choose the correct answer.

**A popular teacher**

Jane Bridges teaches teenagers in my school in Newcastle, in the north of England. Jane worked for a large international company in an office in London for many years before she changed her career. Although she earned a lot more money in London, Jane decided she was bored with her job and she was unhappy at work. Jane says that teaching is interesting every day and now she feels that she is doing something useful and important.



Jane thinks that her time as a successful businesswoman made her a strong person and this helps her in the classroom. She also remembers how difficult school was at times, when she was a teenager herself, and how tiring it could be to have to study every day.

Jane believes that using computers and the internet is the best way to make her students excited about our lessons. She discusses subjects that we are interested in and makes these things part of her lessons. By doing this, we don't feel that we are doing something difficult or boring but actually we learn a lot more.

All her students even send their homework to Jane by email and every class that she teaches has their own FaceBook group. Here students can chat about what we are learning and we can also share ideas. It is not surprising that Jane is one of the most popular teachers in my school.

14. What did Jane do before she was a teacher?
  - A. She was a student in London.
  - B. She worked in an office.
  - C. She didn't have a job.
15. Why did Jane want to become a teacher?
  - A. She needed to earn more money.
  - B. She didn't know what else to do.
  - C. She thought she would be happier.
16. What does the writer say has helped Jane to be a good teacher?
  - A. her experiences in business
  - B. other teachers in London
  - C. her students in Newcastle
17. How could you describe Jane's lessons?
  - A. interesting and unusual
  - B. too difficult at times
  - C. boring but clever
18. What does the writer say the students use the internet for?
  - A. sharing comments about other teachers
  - B. making new friends in other cities
  - C. talking about their own lessons

**PART 4 Questions 19-24**

For each question, choose the correct answer.

### Young people and careers

In the (19)....., a lot of young adults chose to go to university. This was because you didn't have to (20)..... for university or college courses. It was also important to go to university if you wanted to get a good job.

Today, many young people prefer to look for a job when they leave school or college. There are two (21)..... for this. First, students now have to spend a lot of money for their university courses. Second, many companies are sometimes more interested in work (22)..... than a university diploma.

This is sad really, because universities are not just places for studying. They are also places where young people learn about life and make new friends. Often the friends you make at university are your friends for the (23)..... of your life. Without a university (24)....., young people will miss having a wonderful experience.

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|-------------------|----------------|--------------|
| 19. A. past       | B. history     | C. time      |
| 20. A. earn       | B. pay         | C. lend      |
| 21. A. ideas      | B. facts       | C. reasons   |
| 22. A. experience | B. examination | C. exercise  |
| 23. A. all        | B. whole       | C. rest      |
| 24. A. adventure  | B. career      | C. education |

**PART 5 Questions 25-30**

For each question, write the correct answer. Write ONE word for each gap.

From: Beth

To: Tim

Hi Tim,

How are you? I'm leaving tomorrow at 6.00 (0).....in..... the morning. I'm really looking forward to this holiday, (25)..... I'm a bit worried about my cat. She has not (26)..... very well the last few days. If you see that the cat is a bit sick, can you phone the vet, please?

Also, I've bought all the food she needs for the two weeks I will be (27)..... holiday. It's in the cupboard, under the cooker.

Finally, (28)..... you water the plants inside the house once a week? (29)..... you need anything, phone me or send me an e-mail. I will bring you some pasta back (30)..... Italy!

See you in two weeks!

Beth



# Writing

**PART 6** Question 31

Read the email from your English friend Mary.

|          |                |
|----------|----------------|
| From:    | Mary           |
| To:      |                |
| Subject: | About Thursday |

Hi,  
I'm really excited that we are going to the cinema together. What film would you like to see? And what time does this film start? Also, what can we do after the film?  
Kisses,  
Mary

Write an email to Mary and answer her questions.

Write **25 words** or more.

**PART 7** Question 32

Look at the three pictures.

Write the story shown in the pictures.

Write **35 words** or more.





# Listening

## PART 1 Questions 1-5

For each question, choose the correct picture.



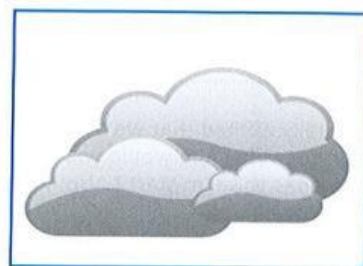
1. What is the weather like now?



A

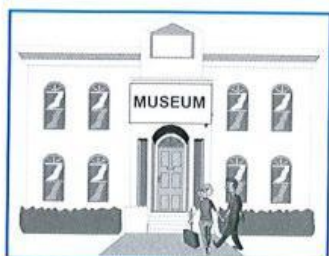


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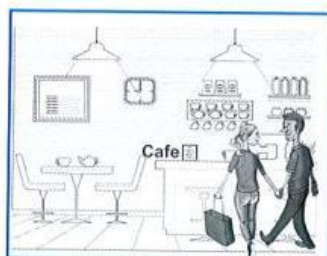


C

2. Where will Svetlana meet David?



A

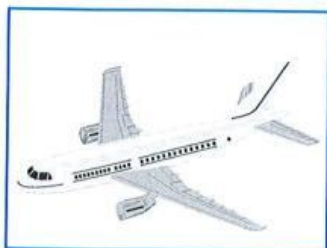


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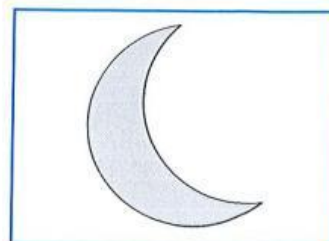
3. What is the boy looking at?



A

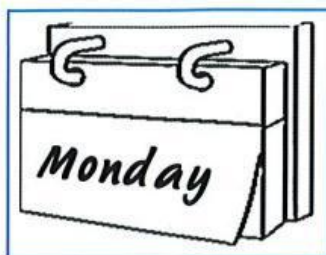


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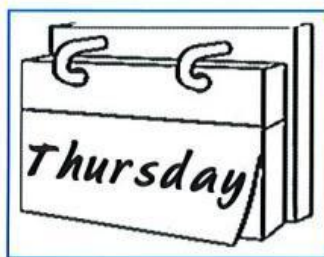


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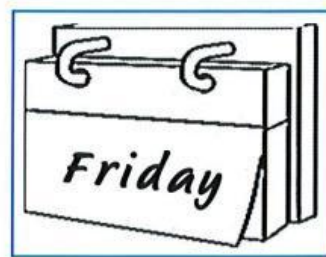
4. When will they go to the science museum?



A



B



C

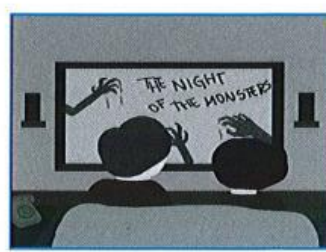
5. What kind of film did they see?



A



B



C



**PART 2 Questions 6-10**

For each question, write the correct answer in the gap. Write **ONE WORD** or a number or a date or a time.

You will hear a teacher talking to students about plans for a new school library.

| New Library                    |                     |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| New library's books:           | modern              |
| Library next to:               | (6) .....           |
| Library not available until:   | (7) .....           |
| Number of days for books sale: | (8) .....           |
| Books to borrow weekly:        | (9) .....           |
| Send ideas to:                 | (10) www. .... .com |

**PART 3 Questions 11-15**

For each question, choose the correct answer.

You will hear Mandy talking to her friend Dan.



- 11 What is the problem?
  - A They got up too early.
  - B They missed their train.
  - C Their train journey is very long.
- 12 Dan
  - A is hungry.
  - B has just eaten lunch.
  - C didn't have any breakfast.
- 13 What is the problem with Mandy's phone?
  - A It's too expensive to repair.
  - B She left it at home.
  - C Its screen is broken.
- 14 Mandy
  - A wants to buy some new clothes.
  - B always asks Dan's opinion about clothes.
  - C is sad Dan won't be able to come with her.
- 15 How does Dan feel?
  - A unhappy about the whole trip
  - B glad he came with Mandy
  - C sad to have lunch without Mandy

**PART 4 Questions 16-20**

For each question, choose the correct answer.

- 16** You will hear a woman and a police officer talking.  
What is the woman's problem?  
A She needs more driving experience.  
B She doesn't have a driving licence.  
C She's just had an accident.
- 17** You will hear a teacher talking about some students.  
What did the students do?  
A They worked at an office.  
B They prepared for a talk.  
C They watched a film.
- 18** You will hear two friends talking.  
Why didn't the boy eat Mary's cake?  
A He wasn't hungry.  
B It was too hard.  
C No one offered him any.
- 19** You will hear a man talking about his neighbour, Katy.  
What does Katy want for her son?  
A to be more clever  
B to go to university  
C to get better at sports
- 20** You will hear two friends talking.  
Where are they?  
A on a bus  
B in a taxi  
C at the cinema

**PART 5 Questions 21-25**

For each question, choose the correct answer.

You will hear a girl talking to her friend about a school trip to Spain.  
What did she do each day?

**Example**

0 Sunday

**H**

**Days**

**21** Monday ☐

**22** Tuesday ☐

**23** Wednesday ☐

**24** Thursday ☐

**25** Friday ☐

**Activities**

**A** water skiing

**B** walking

**C** shopping

**D** listening to a guide

**E** Spanish lessons

**F** taking photos

**G** beach party

**H** phoning parents