

Reading - Part 1

Questions 1 - 6

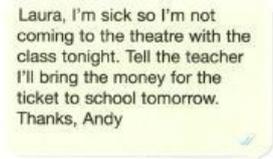
For each question, choose the correct answer.

1  **RIDING CENTRE**  
Beginners lesson starts at 3.00 p.m.  
Please visit the front desk  
20 minutes before class to pick up  
riding equipment.

- A Training is from three to twenty past three.
- B You must collect something at the front desk first.
- C Beginners can buy equipment from the front desk.

2  Hi Steve,  
Dad rang. He said he's  
already been shopping, but  
don't forget to take the  
book back to the library.  
Mum

- What should Steve do?
- A remember to return something
  - B go to the shops
  - C call his dad

3  Laura, I'm sick so I'm not  
coming to the theatre with the  
class tonight. Tell the teacher  
I'll bring the money for the  
ticket to school tomorrow.  
Thanks, Andy

- What does Andy want Laura to tell the teacher?
- A Andy won't be at school tomorrow.
  - B Andy will pay for the ticket at school.
  - C Andy will go to the theatre later.

4  **FOR SALE-Road Bike**  
Five years old, in good condition  
but needs new tyres.  
text Annie 542-661950  
for more info

- The advert says that
- A you might need to make a few changes to the bike.
  - B 5-year-old children can ride the bike.
  - C the bike's tyres are in good condition.

5  **EMAIL**  
From: Phil  
To: Lucy  
  
Hi Lucy,  
Can we have the class party  
on Saturday, not on Sunday?  
Half past seven is fine, but it  
won't be at Pat's house, it will  
be at mine instead.

- What does Phil want to do?
- A change the time and day of the party
  - B have the party in another place and on another day
  - C have the party on a different weekend

6  **ALL PASSENGERS  
MUST SHOW THEIR  
TICKET TO THE POLICE  
BEFORE ENTERING THE  
PLATFORM.**

- Where is this sign?
- A at a railway station
  - B at an airport
  - C on a bus

Reading - Part 2

Questions 7 - 13

For each question, choose the correct answer.



	Oskar	Mary	Freeda
7 Who thinks that we might learn important things from the past?	A	B	C
8 Who believes Greek and Latin can help you to find work?	A	B	C
9 Who thinks having many subjects to learn is a good thing?	A	B	C
10 Who says you need to study English to be ready for life?	A	B	C
11 Who thinks Greek and Latin shouldn't be school subjects?	A	B	C
12 Who says that Information Technology isn't as useful as a language?	A	B	C
13 Who thinks Science and IT are as important as other subjects?	A	B	C

THE MOST IMPORTANT SCHOOL SUBJECTS



**OSKAR**

I think that we study more subjects now than in the past. I quite like having a lot of subjects at school, though, and I enjoy learning most of them. In my opinion the most useful ones are those which help you to find a job. Of course, subjects like Information Technology and Science are important to prepare you for today's world, but you also need to know English well to talk and listen to people around you.



**MARY**

I love subjects that teach me about the world around me, like Science and Geography. I also think that we should learn about the past. History can help us to understand the world today and perhaps to find answers to modern problems. However, there are some subjects I don't think we should learn at school. Greek and Latin can be interesting, but I think that you should study them at university because they are difficult and many students my age find them boring.



**FREEDA**

Most people don't like classical languages and think Greek and Latin are not as important as Information Technology or Maths. I think they can do a lot to help you in today's world, though. You need to use your brain to learn them and in today's world that's important if you want to find a good job. Of course, subjects like IT or Science are useful, too, but I don't think they are as important as languages.

## Reading - Part 3

## Questions 14 - 18

For each question, choose the correct answer.

### TRENTON BIOLOGY FAIR

by Anita Jones, age 12.

Last month, all the science teachers at my junior high school decided to set up a biology fair. They asked all the students to plan and make a project for the two-day fair last week. I was in a group with my best friends Wei-ling, Julia and Pedro. All the groups worked hard on their projects for two weeks before the fair.

My group did an experiment to find out what happens to your teeth when you drink sugary drinks: we used three eggs because their shells are similar to the outside of our teeth. We put them into different glasses with cola, apple juice and plain water. Then we checked how the colour changed and took pictures that we pasted on a large whiteboard in the hall.

The other groups from my class worked on a lot of interesting projects, too. It was great to walk around the hall and look at the other students while they worked: one group showed how important light is to grow plants. Another group stopped an apple from turning brown by using lemon juice.

We all worked really hard and at the end of the two weeks our teachers chose the top four projects. They gave a prize to each of them. The top prize went to a group of older students. It's a pity that my group didn't get a prize but that's not so important. I was just pleased we took part and we had a great time together.



14 How long did the students prepare for the fair?

- A 2 days
- B 1 month
- C 2 weeks

15 What was the main topic of Anita's experiment?

- A eggs
- B teeth
- C sugar

16 Where did the students work on their projects?

- A in the hall
- B in a garden
- C in their classrooms

17 What did the group who worked on the apple find out?

- A Apples turn brown when you put them into lemon juice.
- B Apples don't change their colour if you use lemon juice.
- C Brown apples turn white with lemon juice.

18 How did Anita feel when the teachers chose the best projects?

- A angry because her group didn't win
- B happy because she enjoyed working with her classmates
- C tired because her group had done a lot of work.

Reading - Part 4

Questions 19 - 24

For each question, choose the correct answer.

VINCENT VAN GOGH'S EARLY YEARS

Vincent van Gogh (19) \_\_\_\_\_ born in the Netherlands in 1853. Many people in his family worked in the art world. Vincent had two brothers and three sisters, but he was closest (20) \_\_\_\_\_ his younger brother Theo.

Vincent enjoyed drawing from the time he was a young boy, but he had a number of other jobs before he decided to work (21) \_\_\_\_\_ an artist full time. He was a teacher in London and he (22) \_\_\_\_\_ worked in a bookstore and an art gallery.

(23) \_\_\_\_\_ Vincent first started drawing he used pencils and watercolour paints as well. He liked to draw pictures of poor people. At the beginning of his career, he used a lot of dark colours and his pictures were often sad. The (24) \_\_\_\_\_ famous early painting of all was called *The Potato Eaters*.

- 19 A is B has C was
- 20 A to B at C with
- 21 A like B as C how
- 22 A too B just C also
- 23 A When B While C If
- 24 A much B most C quite



Reading - Part 5

Questions 25 - 30

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

Example: (0) Last

EMAIL

From:

To:

Hi Amanda,

Guess what? (0) \_\_\_\_\_ week I met Perry Stevens, (25) \_\_\_\_\_ pop star. He sat next (26) \_\_\_\_\_ me on the train to Glasgow!

He was really nice and friendly. He was going to visit his grandmother (27) \_\_\_\_\_ lives in Glasgow. He said he lived there until a few years (28) \_\_\_\_\_ and now he really misses Scotland. I told him (29) \_\_\_\_\_ much I loved his music.

He (30) \_\_\_\_\_ me his email address and told me to write to him if I wanted to see his concert in Edinburgh next December! I can't believe it!

Anyway, write soon!

