

English (E2)

IBT Sample Questions

Adam's Apple

Adam loved apples, but he had a wobbly tooth.
It was hard for him to eat an apple with a wobbly tooth.

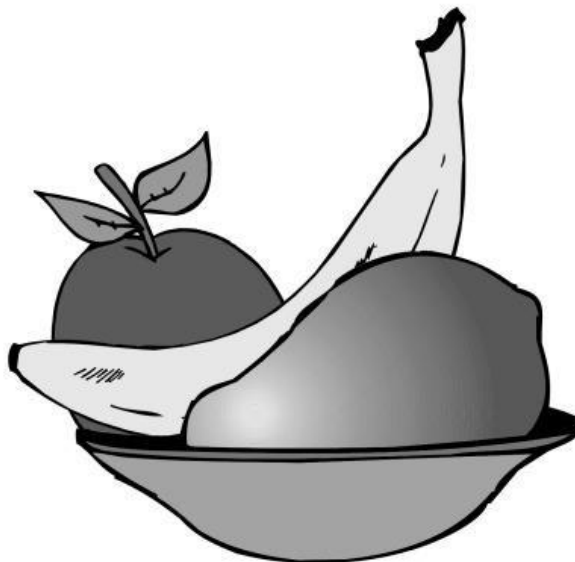
'That doesn't look good,' said Adam's mother, peering into his mouth. 'You should go to the dental surgery.'

'No,' said Adam, 'I don't like dentists.'

Adam decided to eat a mango instead of an apple.
He had never eaten a mango before.
He peeled the mango and bit into it.
'Owh!' cried Adam.

When Adam looked down he saw a huge seed in the middle of the mango.

A small white tooth was sticking out of the seed.
'Hurray!' he said. 'Now I can eat that apple!'



- 1** What was Adam's problem?
- A** His tooth was loose.
 - B** He was not very hungry.
 - C** He had eaten too much fruit.
 - D** He couldn't decide what to eat.
- 2** What did Adam's mother tell Adam to do?
- A** Eat a mango.
 - B** Visit the dentist.
 - C** Wash his hands.
 - D** Keep his mouth closed.
- 3** What did Adam think when he bit into the mango?
- A** That was painful.
 - B** That was delicious.
 - C** That was disgusting.
 - D** That tasted just like apple.
- 4** What happened after Adam bit into the mango?
- A** He felt sick.
 - B** His tooth came out.
 - C** He brushed his teeth.
 - D** He found an insect in the mango.
- 5** How did Adam's feelings change during the story?
- A** from happy to sad
 - B** from hungry to upset
 - C** from proud to annoyed
 - D** from annoyed to happy

Help Me, Charlie!

Charlie was a cat who was always making a mess. So far that morning, he had tipped over a bowl of strawberries in the kitchen, knocked over a vase of flowers in the lounge, and added a collection of muddy paw prints to the white cushions on the sofa. And now he was scratching at the curtains with his claws.

Mrs Patel had reached breaking point. "Get out of here!" she shouted. "You are a stupid cat who is good for nothing!" She chased Charlie from the lounge, steering him through the kitchen and out the back door with her foot. "And don't come back!"

Mrs Patel stood in the doorway, furious. She was so furious that she did not notice the large rat that had crept between her legs and into the kitchen. The rat wasted no time in helping itself to the juicy strawberries that had rolled under the kitchen table. When Mrs Patel turned around and saw the rat she let out a shriek and climbed up onto the nearest chair.

"Help me, Charlie!" she cried, gripping the back of the chair for dear life. "I didn't mean it. You can sharpen your claws on my curtains any time you like. Just get in here and help me!"



6 What happened to the cushions on the sofa?

- A** Charlie scratched them.
- B** Charlie made them dirty.
- C** Charlie knocked them onto the floor.
- D** Charlie tipped strawberries onto them.

7 *Mrs Patel had reached breaking point.*

What does Mrs Patel do next?

- A** kick Charlie out of the house
- B** knock over a vase of flowers
- C** sit down at the kitchen table
- D** climb onto the nearest chair

8 How do Mrs Patel's feelings change throughout the story?

- A** from happy to disappointed
- B** from nervous to relaxed
- C** from guilty to pleased
- D** from angry to scared

9 At the end of the story, what does Mrs Patel want Charlie to do?

- A** sharpen his claws
- B** tidy up the lounge
- C** chase away the rat
- D** eat the strawberries

10 *"You can sharpen your claws on my curtains any time you like."*

Why does Mrs Patel say this?

- A** She is prepared to forgive Charlie for his earlier behaviour.
- B** She realises that Charlie had not damaged the curtains.
- C** She blames Charlie for the rat coming into the house.
- D** She thinks the rat is hiding behind the curtains.

Choose the best word(s) for each blank space.

Learn to Swim

Tina learned to swim **11** the school holidays. She **12** been nervous at first, but her confidence **13** increased. Tina enjoyed swimming so much **14** her fingers were always wrinkled **15** the time she got out of the water.

11 Choose the best option for space 11.

- A at
- B when
- C while
- D during

12 Choose the best option for space 12.

- A was
- B had
- C were
- D have

13 Choose the best option for space 13.

- A more
- B even
- C soon
- D always

14 Choose the best option for space 14.

- A how
- B why
- C that
- D which

15 Choose the best option for space 15.

- A by
- B for
- C as
- D in



Choose the best option for each blank space.

My Business

"What are you 16" asked my brother. Younger 17 always want to know what 18 getting up to, don't they? 19 none of your business," I told him, hiding my pencils. I was actually making a thank you card for my teacher, 20.

16 Choose the best option for space 16.

- A drawing.
- B drawing,
- C drawing!
- D drawing?

17 Choose the best option for space 17.

- A brothers
- B brother's
- C brothers'
- D brother's'

18 Choose the best option for space 18.

- A yo'ure
- B you're
- C your'e
- D youre'

19 Choose the best option for space 19.

- A Its
- B "Its
- C "It's
- D "It's"

20 Choose the best option for space 20.

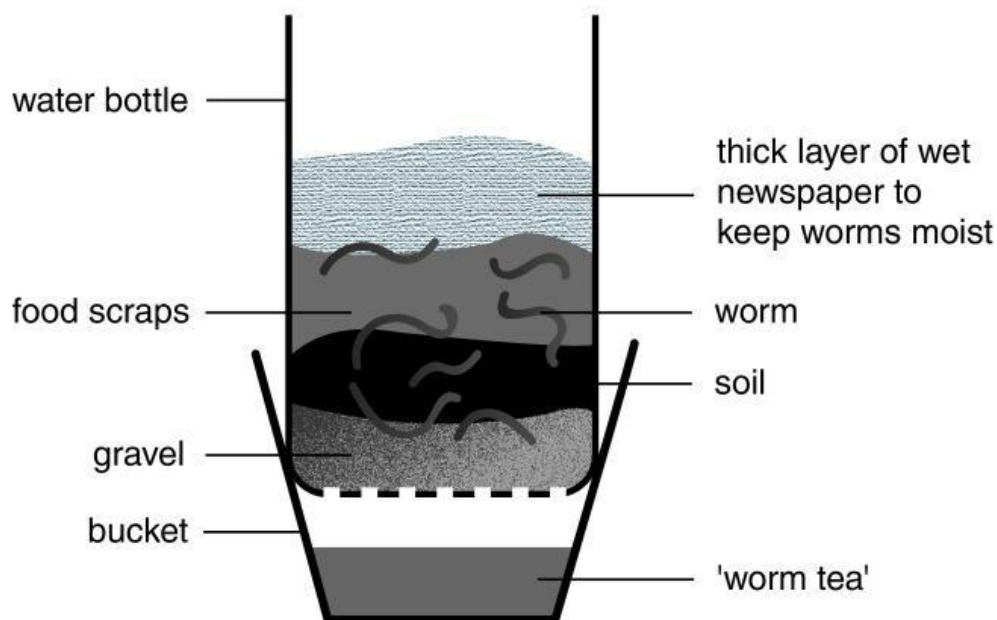
- A mrs ally
- B Mrs ally
- C mrs Ally
- D Mrs Ally



Worm Tea

Worms may not be the cutest pets, but they can be very useful if you have a garden. You can build a worm farm where worms turn your food waste into a nutrient-rich liquid called 'worm tea', which is a fantastic fertilizer to boost your garden.

To make a worm farm, you will need a plastic water bottle with holes in the bottom. Put the bottle in a small bucket to catch the 'tea' that drips from the bottle. Note that the 'tea' should never be drunk because it is made from worm pee and other waste! And, because the 'tea' is very strong, it should always be diluted before being used to water the garden.



Worms like the dark, so you should keep your worm farm in a dark room, or cover it with a towel. Your worms will eat most of the food scraps you feed them, such as vegetables, tea leaves and even eggshells. But you should not give the worms any meat or dairy foods, as these will attract flies and make your worm farm smell. Also, avoid citrus fruits like lemons and oranges – these make the worms ill.

21 What is 'worm tea' used for?

- A to feed worms
- B to attract flies
- C to help plants grow
- D to keep worms moist

22 What must you add to the 'worm tea' before using it?

- A water
- B soil
- C worms
- D food scraps

23 Which food should **not** be given to worms?

- A carrots
- B tea leaves
- C eggshells
- D milk

24 The text says that a worm farm should be kept dark and

- A cool.
- B warm.
- C dry.
- D damp.

25 *Your worms will eat most of the food scraps ... even eggshells.*

What does the word 'even' suggest here?

- A Eggshells are not good for worms.
- B Even eggshells are good for the garden.
- C The eggshells must be broken into pieces.
- D It is surprising that worms will eat eggshells.

Choose the correctly spelt word for each blank space.

Chinese food

This Saturday is my parents' wedding 26. We will be going to the Chinese 27 for a buffet dinner. The food there is 28 and I always eat an 29 amount. Does anyone else share my 30 for Chinese dumplings?

26 Choose the best option for space 26.

- A anniversery
- B anniversary
- C annivearsiry
- D anniverrsery

27 Choose the best option for space 27.

- A resteruant
- B restaraunt
- C restaurant
- D resterante

28 Choose the best option for space 28.

- A delicious
- B deliceous
- C dilecious
- D dileceous

29 Choose the best option for space 29.

- A excessive
- B exscecive
- C exessive
- D exsessive

30 Choose the best option for space 30.

- A apitite
- B apetite
- C appitite
- D appetite



Replace the **bolded** words. The meaning of the text should remain the same.

Cake-making

Some people can make **truly** beautiful cakes. I am **convinced** that I could make amazing cakes if I had a good **mentor**. I imagine my creations being **exhibited** all over the world. What a **triumph** that would be!

- 31** Select the best word to replace **truly**.

A really
B nicely
C slightly
D correctly

- 32** Select the best word to replace **convinced**.

A aware
B certain
C hopeful
D pleased

- 33** Select the best word to replace **mentor**.

A idea
B skill
C kitchen
D teacher

- 34** Select the best word to replace **exhibited**.

A sent
B eaten
C shown
D admired

- 35** Select the best word to replace **triumph**.

A feast
B hobby
C success
D discovery



The Nightly Custom

The following text is an edited extract from a famous book written around 1902.

Mrs Darling first heard of Peter when she was tidying up her children's minds. It is the nightly custom of every good mother after her children are asleep to rummage in their minds and put things straight for next morning, repacking into their proper places the many articles that have wandered during the day. If you could keep awake (but of course you can't) you would see your own mother doing this, and you would find it very interesting to watch her. It is quite like tidying up drawers. You would see her on her knees, I expect, lingering humorously over some of your contents, wondering where on earth you had picked this thing up, making discoveries sweet and not so sweet, pressing this to her cheek as if it were as nice as a kitten, and hurriedly stowing that out of sight. When you wake in the morning, the naughtinesses and evil passions with which you went to bed have been folded up small and placed at the bottom of your mind; and on the top, beautifully aired, are spread out your prettier thoughts, ready for you to put on.

...

Occasionally in her travels through her children's minds Mrs Darling found things she could not understand, and of these quite the most perplexing was the word Peter. She knew of no Peter, and yet he was here and there in John and Michael's minds, while Wendy's began to be scrawled all over with him. The name stood out in bolder letters than any of the other words

"But who is he, my pet?"

"He is Peter Pan, you know, mother."

At first Mrs Darling did not know, but after thinking back into her childhood she just remembered a Peter Pan who was said to live with the fairies. She had believed in him at the time, but now that she was married and full of sense she quite doubted whether there was any such person.



36 What is the text about?

- A** Mrs Darling tidying her children's bedrooms
- B** Mrs Darling thinking about her own childhood
- C** Mrs Darling wishing that she were a child again
- D** Mrs Darling looking into her children's thoughts

37 Which word best describes Mrs Darling?

- A** caring
- B** bossy
- C** funny
- D** untidy

38 Who had been thinking about Peter the most?

- A** John
- B** Michael
- C** Wendy
- D** Mrs Darling

39 The author describes the children's thoughts as

- A** clothes.
- B** fairies.
- C** toys.
- D** people.

40 Mrs Darling used to believe in Peter Pan.

Why does she no longer believe?

- A** She no longer has time to believe.
- B** She is older and wiser than before.
- C** Her children do not believe in Peter.
- D** Her children do not want her to believe.

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