Test 1

PAPER 1 READING AND WRITING (1 hour 30 minutes)

READING

Part 1

Questions 1–5

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

Example:

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A The six-week course is cheaper if you also do the one-day class.

B The one-day class is free for those who book the six-week course.

C You must pay for the six-week course before you do the one-day class.

Answer: 0 A B C

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If Sally wants to go on the holiday she must

A send the details that were requested.

B contact the travel agency for further information.

C pay a deposit this evening.

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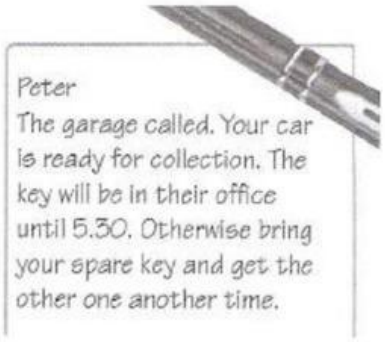

Peter
The garage called. Your car is ready for collection. The key will be in their office until 5.30. Otherwise bring your spare key and get the other one another time.

A Even if the garage is closed Peter can pick up his car.

B Peter should reach the garage before 5.30 in order to collect his car.

C Peter cannot get his car until he collects the key.

3

Keep your bus ticket. Transport officers may request to see it at any time.

A If you lose your bus ticket, you should inform a transport officer.

B There could be ticket checks during your bus journey.

C Passengers without a ticket may request one from a transport officer.

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Jen says that

A Lewis didn't know that Paula was away until tomorrow.

B Lewis doesn't mind what time Paula calls him at home.

C Lewis won't call Paula until late this evening.

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Hunter Museum
closed
Re-opens 15 September
Entry free
Guided tours only
Book early

From 15 September museum visitors

A will have to join a group.

B will be free to go round alone.

C will have to pay for a tour guide.

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Part 2

Questions 6–10

The people below all want to book a hotel in a European city.
On the opposite page there are descriptions of eight hotels in the city.
Decide which hotel would be the most suitable for the following people.
For questions **6–10**, mark the correct letter **(A–H)** on your answer sheet.

6

Nuala and Jaime want to celebrate their anniversary in a stylish hotel with good service. They plan to eat out, see a show and go sightseeing, without using public transport.

7

Sebastian wants to do some exercise at his hotel before attending a conference in the city centre. Afterwards he plans to walk back, have a meal in his room and relax for the evening.

8

Alex and Mel want a room in a traditional hotel with suitable facilities for their two children. They want to eat well before going sightseeing and want help with ideas for what to do.

9

Steve wants to stay overnight in a central hotel where he can experience the typical atmosphere of the city. He would like a light breakfast before leaving by public transport for his early morning flight.

10

Holly and Lucia are travelling round Europe and want to stay somewhere cheap and with nightlife nearby. They hope to make friends with other young travellers like themselves.

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City Hotels

A Royal
It's easy to miss this central hotel hidden away in a side street. Full of character, it is popular with families and business travellers but don't expect luxury service. Unlimited coffee, but nothing more, is available in the morning, but there are food stores a short walk away.

B Mars
Hotel Mars is located on one of the main streets, a short walk from tourist attractions, theatres and restaurants. The luxury rooms are beautifully decorated and furnished with antiques. An excellent breakfast is served by waiters in the top-floor restaurant, which also offers spectacular evening views over the city.

C Odeon
The Odeon proves that you can find an inexpensive hotel in one of the city's smartest locations but you'll need a taxi if you want to experience the city's nightlife. The rooms are comfortable but lack character. The buffet breakfast is average but with so many shops and cafés nearby it hardly matters.

D Haussman
The wonderful city museum is right next door to this friendly 19th century hotel. The old-fashioned furniture and attractive iron balconies all add to the homely atmosphere. The hotel games room will keep all ages entertained, and there's plenty on offer at the self-service breakfast. Staff are always happy to supply information about what's on.

E Windmill
This medium-priced hotel surrounded by artists' studios, lively bars and interesting food shops is right in the middle of the city. The underground station outside will take you anywhere, including the airport within minutes. Help yourself to breakfast from 8 am downstairs, or coffee and rolls can be brought to your room before that.

F Stark's
A leading designer has decorated the inside of this smart modern hotel with bare grey walls, white bed covers and wooden floors. It's a half hour bus ride to the city centre or the airport. The ground floor has a top class restaurant and gym. Reception is open 24 hours a day.

G Hi-Tech
All costs are kept low here. Guests book on the internet, then check in and buy everything they need from machines. Breakfast comes in airline-style boxes. You sleep in a tiny cabin for one and roll up your bed during the day. A fun choice for backpackers, who get together in the lively club next door.

H Archway
This 19th century hotel is in a busy area with plenty of restaurants. It was modernised two years ago and now has a fitness centre. Rooms are very comfortable with widescreen TV. There's no restaurant, but you can order decent hot food via reception from the takeaway next door.

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Part 3

Questions 11–20

Look at the sentences below about an unusual race along a river.
Read the text on the opposite page to decide if each sentence is correct or incorrect.
If it is correct, mark **A** on your answer sheet.
If it is not correct, mark **B** on your answer sheet.

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11 Visitors come to Glen Nevis to enjoy outdoor activities all year round.

12 Parts of the course of the River Race are less rough than others.

13 Competitors are able to begin the race as soon as they are ready.

14 The depth of the water has an effect on how long the races last.

15 Some people return to do the race again and again.

16 Only certain types of lilo may be used in the race.

17 Competitors must use the safety clothing provided by race organisers.

18 The most frightening part of the race is in the second half of the course.

19 Members of the mountain rescue team are paid professionals.

20 There is a fixed charge for visitors who come to see the race.

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The Glen Nevis River Race

Glen Nevis is known as the 'outdoor capital' of Scotland. Britain's highest mountain, Ben Nevis, rises above the area, while the waters of the River Nevis flow through the rocky valley below. The spectacular scenery attracts walkers and climbers all through the seasons, despite the cold weather in winter.

During the summer months, one of the most exciting activities is the annual Glen Nevis River Race, in which competitors race for three kilometres along the river, but not in a boat. Instead, each competitor uses a lilo, a plastic bed filled with air normally used for camping or floating in the sea, or another kind of beach toy to race along the river. There are rocks, waterfalls and sections with scary names like Dead Dog Pool and the Leg Breaker for them to get through though there are areas of calmer waters too.

Competitors set off at 30 second intervals by jumping with their lilos from a tiny shelf in a rock into the fast-flowing water 12 metres below. It can take anything from 20 minutes to over two hours to complete the course, depending on the level of the river and the abilities of the competitor.

There is much discussion amongst people who take part regularly about which type of lilo works best for the race. Some prefer short wide ones, while others say that a long narrow one is better. But since you can use anything that floats, all kinds of beach toys such as bananas, sharks and crocodiles can be seen floating down the river.

The only rules are that competitors must be at least 16 years old, and should provide their own crash helmet, a rubber wet suit and a life jacket. Gloves and old trainers are recommended to protect against knocks and bumps. The most important qualification, however, is a sense of fun.

The race is full of exciting moments, and the greatest of these is at the Lower Falls Leap, where terrified competitors have to jump over a ten-metre waterfall not far from the finish. More than 3,000 athletes have taken part in the race during its 30-year history. Their £30 entry fee helps to raise money for the mountain rescue team, whose members provide an essential service in the region for free. The race is a popular afternoon out for visitors and it costs nothing to watch, although any money given is gratefully accepted.

The prizes may not be fantastic, but everyone receives a certificate of completion and the winner gets the title River Race Champion and all agree that it has been worth it for the satisfying feeling of reaching the end safely.

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Part 4

Questions 21–25

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

Cliff Jones

In 2005, Cliff Jones began a journey round Britain on a unicycle, a bike with only one wheel. He had already made a documentary film about his experiences travelling round Europe in a 50-year-old car. He was mad about motor sport and had a job building racing car engines. To save money, Cliff rode to work in London on an old bicycle, which he also used to go to France on holiday. 'That trip opened my eyes,' he says. 'I decided to do a tour of Britain by bike.'

Cliff didn't want a normal touring bike, and he knew he wanted to build one himself. 'The craziest bicycle I could think of was a unicycle, so I went to a factory to see how they are made.' After one false start in 2004, when he had to turn back because of a knee injury, he finally set out in 2005. He was away for four months, and travelled over 8,500 km.

The best bit of the trip was arriving in Wales and seeing Mount Snowdon. 'Although I met cyclists who could easily ride up mountains on their bikes, which I couldn't do, I never regretted my unicycle. The further away from London I got, the more amazed people seemed by it.' His worst moment came when he had to drink some dirty water from a stream. A serious fever kept him in bed in hospital for five long days. He was determined not to give up and go back home before he had completed his challenge, but found it hard to carry on because he felt so weak. Yet despite all this, Cliff now says, 'If I could afford it, I would like to do something similar again.'

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

A advise people to take adventure holidays
B explain a rather unusual choice of transport
C suggest the benefits of a special vehicle
D persuade people to travel long distances

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22 What made Cliff realise he wanted to cycle round Britain?

A touring Europe in an old car
B visiting a unicycle factory
C attending motor races abroad
D taking his bike to another country

23 When Cliff met other cyclists in the mountains, he was

A anxious to get away from them.
B satisfied with his own type of bicycle.
C jealous of what they were able to do.
D surprised by their attitude towards him.

24 What was Cliff's biggest problem during the trip?

A He fell ill for nearly a week.
B He had to go home to rest.
C He wanted to finish his trip early.
D He took too long to get to one place.

25 What might Cliff say after his trip?

A

My aim was to get to the top of Mount Snowdon, so I was disappointed not to reach Wales.

B

I'm already building the unicycle for my next trip. It's going to be the latest model so I can ride up mountains.

C

I was happy when I managed to get started at the second attempt. Fortunately, my knee didn't give me any more trouble.

D

I'm lucky that I have plenty of money. That means I can set off on another trip whenever I like.

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Part 5

Questions 26–35

Read the text below and choose the correct word for each space.
For each question, mark the correct letter **A**, **B**, **C** or **D** on your answer sheet.

Example:

0	A	brought	B	held	C	kept	D	grown

Answer:

0	A	B	C	D
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Alpacas

Alpacas were first **(0)** ..... by the Inca people in the mountains of South America, more than six thousand years ago. These animals **(26)** ..... clothes, food and fuel for their owners. The softest wool was **(27)** ..... worn by the leaders of Incan society though.

When Spanish explorers **(28)** ..... in the fifteenth century, sheep were introduced and these gradually **(29)** ..... alpacas in the region. It wasn't **(30)** ..... the middle of the 20th century that both farmers and fashion designers began to recognise the **(31)** ..... of alpacas again. They are easy to look **(32)** ..... since they eat grass and are used to low temperatures. Their wool, which comes in a **(33)** ..... of natural colours from white to dark brown, is lighter and warmer than sheep's wool and **(34)** ..... strong.

It is not surprising **(35)** ..... that alpacas are becoming a familiar sight in the fields of North America, Australia and the UK.

26	A	supported	B	provided	C	turned	D	gained
27	A	mainly	B	fully	C	extremely	D	absolutely
28	A	reached	B	delivered	C	arrived	D	transferred
29	A	retired	B	removed	C	returned	D	replaced
30	A	until	B	after	C	during	D	before
31	A	prizes	B	rewards	C	qualities	D	points
32	A	at	B	after	C	for	D	like
33	A	row	B	group	C	range	D	crowd
34	A	only	B	also	C	instead	D	too
35	A	therefore	B	already	C	otherwise	D	enough

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WRITING

Part 1

Questions 1–5

Here are some sentences about a baseball game.
For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first.
Use no more than three words.
Write only the missing words on your answer sheet.
You may use this page for any rough work.

Example:

0 Baseball is more popular than any other sport in the USA.

Baseball is the ..... popular sport in the USA.

Answer: | 0 | most |

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1 Nick was given a ticket to a baseball game by his friend Akio.

Nick's friend Akio ..... him a ticket to a baseball game.

2 Nick had never been to a baseball game before.

It was the ..... Nick had been to a baseball game.

3 Nick wasn't sure when the match would finish.

Nick wasn't sure ..... long the match would go on for.

4 In the game the Dolphins team played better than the Giants.

In the game the Giants team didn't play as ..... the Dolphins.

5 Now Nick can't wait for the next game.

Now Nick is really looking ..... to the next game.

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