MIDTERM EXAM A2.1

Listening

Recording 1 **Listen to the conversation. CLICK (✓) the correct answers, a or b.**

1 When was Eva's birthday?
a last Saturday **b** last Sunday ✓
2 Who did Eva have breakfast with?
a her parents **b** her friend
3 What did she do after breakfast?
a swam in the sea **b** visited her parents
4 What did her family buy her?
a earrings **b** new clothes
5 What did Eva's friends give her?
a a ticket for a concert **b** some music
6 Where did Eva and her family have dinner?
a a pizza restaurant **b** a French restaurant

2 Listen to *Claie*. Write true (T) or false (F).

1 Claire's first visit to Dubai was last year. _F_
2 Claire liked Dubai a lot.
3 Their hotel was by the beach.
4 Mani enjoyed cooking on holiday.
5 They liked driving in the desert.
6 Claire bought some sunglasses.

Grammar

Complete the sentences with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

1 We __*stayed*__ (stay) in a fantastic hotel in Italy.
2 Last year I _____ (study) hard for my exams.
3 A lot of people _____ (go) to the concert.
4 The footballers _____ (be) amazing.
5 Josie _____ (make) breakfast for all the family last Sunday.
6 We _____ (drive) to the mountains yesterday.

Choose the correct words in brackets to complete the conversation.

A: How [1]__*much*__ rice is there in the cupboard?
(any, ~~much~~, many)
B: [2]_____! We used it all yesterday.
(Some, Any, None)
A: So, we need to buy [3]_ _____ more rice.
(many, some, any)
Anything else?
B: We don't need pasta. We've got [4]_____ that.
(lots of, many, any)
A: OK. Do we need [5]__ _ vegetables?
(some, lots of, any)
B: Yes, we need [6]_____ potatoes and salad.
(much, many, some)

Complete the sentences with the correct comparative or superlative form of the adjective in brackets.

1 The sofa is _*more comfortable*_ (comfortable) than the chair.
2 Maths is the_____ (easy) subject for me.
3 Thai Palace is the _____ (good) restaurant in this town.
4 Football is _____ (popular) than tennis.
5 Brown rice is _____ (healthy) than white rice.
6 This is the _____ (old) part of the city.
7 This hotel is the _____ (bad) in the city.
8 The _____ (interesting) place to visit is the Natural History Museum.

Vocabulary

Complete the sentences with the correct words. The first letter of each word is given.

1 C *o f f e* is a popular breakfast drink.
2 I bought **v** to make a salad.
3 Selina has a **c** of tea in the afternoon.
4 My father's favourite meat is **c**
5 Can you buy a **c** of juice, please?
6 There's a **p** of pasta in the cupboard.
8 Eating lots of **f** is good for your health.

Function

Choose the correct alternatives. Then match 1–5 with responses a–e.

1 *What* / *How* can I help you? _d_
2 *Any* / *You want* hot drinks with that? ___
3 *I want* / *I'd like* a tea, please. ___
4 *Can* / *Would* I have a cheese sandwich, please? ___
5 Can I pay *for* / *by* card? ___

a Would you like it hot or cold?
b Yes, please. Can I get a small coffee?
c Yes, of course. That's £3.50, please.
~~d~~ ~~I'll have a cheese sandwich, please.~~
e Sure. Take a seat and I'll bring it over.

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Reading

Complete the article with sentences a–i.

Then and now

When my parents were young, life in London was very different to now. [1] *d* People usually lived in houses. My mum and dad lived in a small house in east London. [2]___ My mum needed to wash their clothes by hand.

Working life was different then too. My dad worked in a furniture company and my mum was a secretary. [3]___ They worked from nine in the morning until five in the afternoon. My dad sometimes worked at the weekends to earn more money. [4]___ It was a cheap way to travel. Not many people owned cars then. They were very expensive. [5]___

There weren't many shops at that time. [6]___ There were no supermarkets back then. The first supermarket opened in south London in 1951. There weren't many clothes shops either. [7]___

In their free time, my parents liked listening to music. [8]___ They didn't like playing sport, but my dad liked to go to football matches. At that time, people didn't travel to other countries for their holidays. [9]___

a My dad bought a car when he was 30 years old.
b She worked in an office.
c My mum made a lot of her clothes.
d ~~There weren't lots of flats like there are today.~~
e They didn't have a TV or a washing machine.
f They often went to concerts.
g They usually went to stay with their families.
h Many people took the bus to work.
i My parents bought food from the market.

Writing

Write a story about when you met someone special write your own story.

- **when and where you met**
- **why you were there**
- **other people there**
- **what you did**
- **what you talked about**

Write 50–80 words.

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