

Sample Practice Test: B2 First for Schools

READING AND USE OF ENGLISH (1 hour 15 minutes)

Part 1

For questions 1–8, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Example:

0 A describes B suggests C explains D shows

0 A B C D

Chocolate teapots really are useful

A chocolate teapot is not as useless as the old British saying (0) Scientists have shown it's possible to use one to make tea. They've created a chocolate teapot that can be filled with boiling water and left to (1) for two minutes, after which the tea is ready to be served. After (2) a range of experiments, the scientists (3) to the conclusion that the (4) to making a teapot that wouldn't melt was to use dark chocolate with 65% chocolate solids and build up a series of layers to strengthen it. This whole process took around two-and-a-half hours.

At first the scientists wondered whether they might (5) end up with chocolate tea. They discovered some of the chocolate on the inside of the pot would melt, but (6) that the water was poured in carefully, the (7) majority of it wouldn't be affected. When they tried the tea, the team agreed it was lovely with a (8) taste of chocolate.

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| 1 A hold | B keep | C stand | D wait |
| 2 A investigating | B conducting | C researching | D exploring |
| 3 A arrived | B reached | C drew | D came |
| 4 A secret | B clue | C method | D formula |
| 5 A again | B still | C clearly | D simply |
| 6 A allowed | B considered | C provided | D assumed |
| 7 A huge | B broad | C high | D vast |
| 8 A modest | B slight | C soft | D gentle |