

TEST UNIT 1 and 2

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Optimise A2

READING

Street theatre

Have you seen street theatre in your town? Street theatre is when entertainers do activities, usually in crowded places, for people to watch. These entertainers often play instruments and sing, but they sometimes do more unusual things like eating fire or riding a bicycle with one wheel.

Robbie does street theatre in London. He started dancing 10 years ago, but started doing street theatre two years ago. He says, 'When I was younger, singing and dancing were my hobbies, so now I do both!' He doesn't feel anxious when he does street theatre. 'The people watching are like friends – they're nice and want to enjoy it.'

People often give money to street entertainers like Robbie. He usually uses a hat to collect it, but now he's using a box because he lost the hat. He is saving the money to go travelling. 'I'm in college now. I want to go to Europe when I'm older, but I'm going to South America next year. I'm visiting Rio de Janeiro because it has lots of street theatre and I want to learn from those entertainers.'

After travelling, Robbie wants to be an actor. He says, 'My dream is to work in a theatre and street theatre is good practice because you need to be comfortable in front of new people'.

His advice if you want to be able to do street theatre is: 'Think of something different to do, so people walking past are interested. And then just practise, practise, practise!'

Read the text again. For each question, choose the correct answer.

- 1 What does the text say about street entertainers?
 - A They do activities for large groups of people.
 - B They sing while they ride a bike.
 - C They are not like most other people.
- 2 What does Robbie say about street theatre?
 - A He has done it since he was a child.
 - B He thinks people like his show.
 - C He no longer performs magic tricks.
- 3 Why does Robbie want to travel abroad?
 - A so that he can meet other street performers

- B** because he doesn't earn enough money in London
C in order to complete his studies
- 4 Why is street theatre good for Robbie?
A He thinks it's better than working in a theatre.
B He feels more comfortable than when he's travelling.
C He thinks it's useful practice for the job he wants.
- 5 What advice does Robbie give to street entertainers?
A They should practise in front of big crowds.
B They should do something a bit unusual.
C They must be different to other people.

VOCABULARY

1. Complete the text using words from the box. Some words may be used more than once.

at | in | on | out | with | to

My weekend

Usually I stay (1) _____ at the weekend, but this weekend I'm going (2) _____ with my cousins. On Friday night, we're going to the concert hall because we love listening (3) _____ music. On Saturday morning, we're going shopping. One of my cousins loves fashion. She doesn't have a lot of money, so she's just looking (4) _____ clothes or trying (5) _____ shoes, not buying them! My other cousin wants to be an actor. At school, she's acting (6) _____ a play. So on Saturday evening, we're going to the theatre. On Sunday morning, we're staying (7) _____ home and playing video games. On Sunday evening, they're going home because they're playing volleyball (8) _____ a club, and I'm staying (9) _____ to rest.

2. Complete the sentences with the correct alternative.

- 1 Hello, Paul. Come **in** / **off** / **down**. Nick's in his bedroom.
2 Mum and Dad are out. They usually get **round** / **back** / **in** home at about 7 pm.
3 Get **out** / **down** / **off** the bus when you can see the park.
4 Mum, can Beth come **round** / **in** / **out** later? We want to play our guitars.
5 Turn **down** / **out** / **off** your computer when you don't need to use it.
6 When my parents go out, I look **around** / **after** / **away** my younger brother.
7 When Simon gets home, he sits down and turns **on** / **in** / **round** the television.

3. For each question, write the correct answer. Write ONE word in each gap.

Dear new members,

The next meeting of the Hiking Club is (1) _____ Monday 5th May, at 10:30 am. We will meet outside the railway station. Please look (2) _____ the man with the yellow umbrella. That's me! We'll take the train to Falmer. From there, we'll hike (3) _____ the town of Lewes. When we get there, Malcolm Turner, a local tour guide, will show us (4) _____ and answer any questions you may have (5) _____ the town and its history. Please bring some warm clothes, a raincoat, some walking boots and your own lunch.

See you on Sunday.

Sebastian

GRAMMAR

4. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

agree | go | know | like | read | play | spend | study | swim | understand

- 1 Rita _____ to the gaming café every weekend with her friends.
- 2 At the moment, Aidan and Aimee _____ in the concert with their band, so they're not at home.
- 3 He _____ the band's new song – it's really good.
- 4 She _____ the newspaper now, she's watching the TV.
- 5 I _____ why you liked the film – it was terrible!
- 6 She _____ with him about everything – they have exactly the same opinions.
- 7 I _____ a lot about classical music, because I read a lot of books about it in my spare time.
- 8 In the photo, she _____ with dolphins in the sea.
- 9 Most of the time, he _____ more money on clothes than books.
- 10 I can't answer my phone because I _____ in the library.

5. Choose the correct options to complete each sentence.

- 1 Is Hannah's birthday **in** / **on** / **at** July?

- 2 The art classes start **in / at / on** 6:45 pm.
- 3 We usually meet **in / at / on** Saturday afternoons.
- 4 The new **teachers / teacher's / teachers'** name is Mr Harris.
- 5 Meet us **in / on / at** front of the cinema.
- 6 This swimming pool is for adults. The **childrens / children's / childrens'** pool is over there.
- 7 The skateboard park is closed **on / – / at** tomorrow.
- 8 All my books are on my desk, next **from / – / to** the lamp.
- 9 It's good to go swimming **in / on / at** the summer.
- 10 Natalie's **cousins / cousin's / cousins'** names are Sara and Luke.

6. Complete the text using the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Rebecca usually (1) _____ (**stay**) at home with her family on Friday night, but tonight she (2) _____ (**go**) to an opera. She (3) _____ (**meet**) her friend at 7 pm outside the theatre. Her friend (4) _____ (**love**) opera and goes every month to watch one. Rebecca (5) _____ (**not, know**) this opera, but she usually (6) _____ (**like**) the same things as her friend. Tonight, Rebecca (7) _____ (**wear**) her favourite blue dress and (8) (**carry**) her tickets and money in the bag that she always (9) _____ (**use**) for special occasions. After the opera, they (10) _____ (**eat**) dinner at the Chinese restaurant near to the theatre.

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