

## English Test III (FCE)

### 1) Circle the correct Word in italics in these sentences:

- a) Welcome to the Intercity Hotel. I hope you had a pleasant *travel* / *journey*. .....
- b) Sarah came back from her shopping *trip* / *journey* with lots of new clothes. ....
- c) Among Brian's many interests, he lists foreign *journeys* / *travel* and climbing. ....
- d) Do you know the *way* / *journey* to the cathedral? .....
- e) It was a long, dangerous *trip* / *journey* to the South Pole. ....
- f) I always stop for coffee at a café on my *journey* / *way* to work. ....
- g) Are you all prepared for your forthcoming *trip* / *travel* to Egypt? .....
- h) Many of our students have quite a long *travel* / *journey* to college each morning. ....

### 2) Complete the sentences with the correct form (past perfect simple or continuous) of the verbs in brackets. Use contractions where possible:

- a) Peter was Sally's best friend. She ..... (know) him all her life.

- b) The children were wet because they ..... (play) football in the rain.
- c) We were very hungry because we ..... (not / eat).
- d) I was delighted when I found my keys. I ..... (look) for them for hours.
- e) She was exhausted because she ..... (work) since eight o'clock that morning.
- f) Everything was white because it ..... (snow).
- g) The passengers were cross because the airline ..... (lose) everyone's bags.
- h) I ..... (not / see) Jacob for several years, but I recognised him immediately.

**3) Look at these sentences and choose the correct definition for the words and expressions in bold:**

1) Politicians try to be careful not to **wash their dirty linen in public**.

- A. tell dreadful personal secrets about themselves and their family.
- B. say bad things about other politicians.
- C. drink, smoke or do other things that people might not like.

2) The estate agent tried to **pull the wool over our eyes**.

- A. to charge us too much money.
- B. to take our money with out giving them anything in return.

C. to deceive us by not telling us the true facts.

3) I don't have any cash with me. Do you take **plastic**?

A. cheques

B. credit cards and charge cards

C. U.S. dollars

3) We spent our last holiday **under canvas**.

A. In a beach resort

B. In a very cheap hotel

C. in a tent

5) We **turfed out** our old office furniture.

A. sold

B. threw out

C. burnt

6) The thief had a **cast-iron alibi**.

A. an alibi that cannot be disproved.

B. a very weak alibi

C. a very unlikely alibi

7) She will have to **steel** herself to say what happened.

A. she'll have to pretend to be sad.

B. she'll have to refuse to say what happened.

C. she'll have to get ready to do something that she does not like.

8) A lot of young people end up living in **cardboard city**.

- A. a place where homeless people build themselves shelters out of pieces of cardboard.
- B. their parents' home
- C. with their girlfriend or boyfriend

**4) Fill in the gaps with one of the following words:**

forearmed – overdue – overestimated – foresee – librarian – advisor – anti-climax – politician – forewarned

a. The ..... told him that his library books were ..... by four weeks, so she had to pay a fine of almost \$ 8.

b. I was really excited when John told me that he was going to have a party to celebrate his 30th birthday. Unfortunately, the party was cancelled because he got sick. It really was an .....

c. The ..... told the ..... that she had pay a lot of attention to his public image.

d. Thanks' for letting me know! Being ..... is .....

e. He was so conceited that he ..... his own abilities.

f. Sometimes it is difficult to ..... the consequences that may arise from our actions.

**5) Time Expressions. Fill in the gaps with the correct preposition (at, in or on):**

a. Mary wore a witch costume ..... Halloween.

- b.** I have English classes ..... Tuesdays.
- c.** My dad comes home ..... lunchtime.
- d.** The children like to go to the park ..... the morning.
- e.** Henry's birthday is ..... November.
- f.** Lots of people go shopping ..... Christmastime.
- g.** Justin Bieber was born ..... March 1, 1994.
- h.** Leaves turn red, gold and brown ..... Autumn.
- i.** My friends like to go the the movies ..... Saturdays.
- j.** The pilgrims arrived in America ..... 1620.
- k.** My sister likes to watch TV ..... the evening.
- l.** Mum always reads stories ..... bedtime.
- m.** I like to watch the parade ..... Independence Day.
- n.** Hippies protested against the war ..... the 1960s.
- o.** We finished the marathon ..... the same time.