

Cambridge PET & KET – Reading test No.2

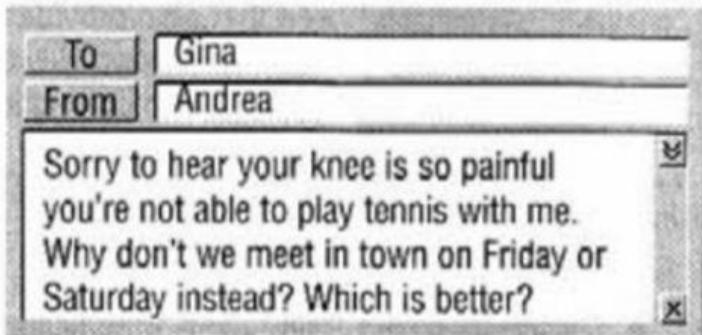


Question 1: Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.

**BEFORE LEAVING TRAIN
YOU MUST CHECK YOU
HAVE ALL YOUR
LUGGAGE**

- Passengers mustn't put any luggage near the train doors.
- Passengers should remember to take all their bags with them.
- Passengers with large suitcases may leave them between the seats.

Question 2: Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.



The main purpose of the email is to

- suggest something.
- apologize for something.
- recommend something.

Question 3: Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.

**Make sure you have enough
money with you before
filling your car with petrol**

- You must check you have chosen the right petrol before filling your car.
- You can pay with cash or credit card after filling your car with petrol.
- You shouldn't put petrol in your car without checking you are able to pay.

Question 4: Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.

Jake - You're coming to Sonia's party tonight, aren't you? You needn't worry about food - there'll be plenty there. Why not bring your new CDs though? Ring me, I'll pick you up. Lena

- Lena wants Jake to give her a lift to Sonia's party.
- Lena thinks Jake should take some music to Sonia's party.
- Lena would like Jake to bring something to eat to Sonia's party.

Question 5: Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.

THESE BOOKS CAN BE
BORROWED FOR TWO DAYS
WITH THE PERMISSION OF A
TEACHER

- Only teachers are allowed to borrow these books for longer than two days.
- Give these books to a teacher when you bring them back after two days.
- You need to ask a teacher before taking one of the books away for two days.

Question 6: Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.



Ben wants to know _____

- who is going to the party.
- what they're going to do at the party.
- what time the party starts.

Question 7-11: Read the passage, then answer the questions.

Living in the Ice Age

I'm a scientist and I arrived here in Antarctica three months ago in December. The temperature is cold but not unpleasant yet. Since arriving, I've worked with about 60 other people getting everything ready for the Antarctic winter. It's been a lot of hard work, but it was fun too. However, a few days ago the ship left taking most of the staff with it, and it won't be back to fetch us until next December. So the hardest thing to get used to is that there are now just fourteen of us because I'm used to working in a large company.

I'm living on the same work station I was on ten years ago. It was new then and it's still in good condition and unchanged. The dried food we get is also the same - you forget what real food tastes like after a few weeks. The people working here with me are all different from then, but I'm always happy getting to know new people. Ten years ago, we were able to send taxes to friends and family once a month, but today we can send e-mails and talk on the phone so we don't feel so far away.

Last week we went out exploring for a few days. We slept in our very thick sleeping bags to keep the cold out. We always have to wear the right clothes and boots for walking on ice and snow. We were joined together by a rope all the time in case we fell into any holes in the ice. They're too deep to climb out of. The skies were clear and I was reminded how lucky I am to be here. Soon we will get amazing sunsets too.

Question 7: What is the writer trying to do?

- persuade people to work in Antarctica
- complain about his life in Antarctica
- describe his own experiences in Antarctica
- suggest ways of improving life in Antarctica

Question 8: What is difficult for the writer at the moment?

- He is working with a small number of people.
- There is too much work to do.
- The weather is too cold.
- The ship won't return for months.

Question 9: In writer's opinion, what has improved since ten years ago?

- The living accommodation is better.
- The food is tastier.
- Communications have improved.
- His colleagues are easier to work with.

Question 10:

What particular danger was there when they were exploring?

- the cold
- the holes in the ice
- getting lost
- slipping on the ice

Question 11

Which of the following e-mails did the writer send to a friend?

- I'm getting used to being in Antarctica. Although people had told me what it was like, it's still a shock to experience it myself.
- There hasn't been much to do here yet, so I've spent the time getting to know my colleagues and relaxing.
- It's good to be back here. I'd forgotten how beautiful it is. I'm looking forward to seeing some wonderful sunsets.
- I'll send you my news as often as I can. It won't be long till I'm home, as I've already been here nearly a year.

Question 14-18. Read the passage, then choose the best answer to each the question below.

We want to be stars!

by Georgia Broom

I'm in a rock band called The Pink Stars with two other girls from school. We didn't really know each other before we started playing four months ago, but now we're great friends. We've all been in other bands before and love rock music. Finding a place to practice is a problem, but we're lucky because my parents don't mind if we use a room in our house two or three times a week.

On Saturday afternoons, we usually do different things than our friends from school. Instead of going to the cinema or a café, we give a concert in a large music shop in town. It's great fun! We really enjoy choosing what we'll wear. Sometimes we go shopping for something special a day or two before we play.

When we started giving concerts, only our families came to see us. But soon, our brothers and sisters started inviting their friends. We felt a bit shy when some classmates came to see us, but we were pleased when they loved our music. Now other people are beginning to come to the shop just to listen to us! We're becoming famous.

This summer we're going to play at our first open-air rock concert. It'll be wonderful to be on a stage in front of all those people. I can't wait!

I sing and play the guitar. I can also play the keyboard, but I don't like it very much. Rachel plays the drums and Annie plays the guitar and keyboard. We've written seven of our own songs to upload to our channel. We've also got our own website, so to learn more about The Pink Stars, visit www.pinkstars.com. It has all the information about our concerts.

Question 14

How long have the girls been friends?

- Since they met at school
- Since they joined the band
- Since they started playing music

Question 15

What do they do after lunch on Saturdays?

- They sing in a big shop in town.
- They go shopping for clothes to wear when they play.
- They go out with their friends from school.

Question 16

Who comes to listen to the band when they play?

- Only family and friends
- Family, friends and some people they don't know
- Customers in the music shop

Question 17

Why is Georgia excited about the summer?

- She is going to have a long holiday from school.
- She is going to play in a concert.
- She is going to go to her first rock concert.

Question 18

Who can play two instruments?

- only Annie
- Rachel and Annie
- Georgia and Annie

Question 19: Read the passage and choose the correct word to fill in the blank.

Eric Koston

Eric Koston is one of the world's best-known skateboarders. He was born in Thailand, but his family 19.1 to the US when he was a baby. His love of skateboarding began at the 19.2 of 11 when his older brother gave him a skateboard. It was an old, broken board, but he learned how to skateboard by watching other kids and then he 19.3 by himself every day.

Three years later, he was so good that a company that made skateboards offered him a summer 19.4. That's when he 19.5 to make skateboarding his life. Since then, Eric has 19.6 many international competitions, made boarding videos and starred in a skateboarding video game. Now he owns a successful company making sports shoes and clothes.

Question 20: For each question, write the correct answer. Write ONE word for each gap.

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Hi Kris,

I (0) am going cycling with my brother next Sunday. Would you like 20.1 come? Don't worry if you don't have a good bike - we've got one you can borrow. We'll take a picnic, so we won't need to eat in a café. Let 20.2 know if you want to come.

Ali

Hi Ali,

That's 20.3 great idea. Thanks very much 20.4 offering to lend me a bike, but I got a new one a few weeks ago. I'll bring lunch and something to drink. 20.5 there anything else that I should bring? Also, 20.6 time do you think we'll be home? I'm going out in the evening.

Kris