



# HIPPO 2021

## 9<sup>th</sup> International English Language Olympiad



### HIPPO 1

Preliminary Round

### Reading



Time allowed: **30 minutes**

There are **30** questions.

Answer all the questions.

Use pen.

Remember to transfer your answers onto the answer sheet.

## TASK 1

Choose the correct answer (a or b) to complete the sentence.

### EXAMPLE

An **astronaut** is somebody who:

- a) flies planes.
- b) goes to space in a rocket.**



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Dinner is something you usually eat:

- a) after school.
- b) before school.



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December is a month in:

- a) spring.
- b) winter.



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A comic book is something that has:

- a) lots of pictures
- b) no pictures



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A circus is the place where:

- a) clowns work.
- b) teachers work.



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A scarf is something you wear:

- a) on your legs.
- b) around your neck.



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Geography is a subject where you learn:

- a) about numbers.
- b) about different countries.



## TASK 2

Choose the correct answer (a, b or c) to complete the sentence.



### THE SHOP ASSISTANT SAYS:

**EXAMPLE** Hello, can I ..... b ..... you?

a) write      b) help      c) buy

**7** How many bananas would you ..... ?

a) have      b) see      c) like

**8** I'm sorry, we don't have any red apples..... we have some green ones.

a) because      b) but      c) thank you

**9** The shop opens at 9 in the morning and ..... at 5 in the afternoon.

a) closes      b) sleeps      c) works

### THE GIRL SAYS:

**10** How ..... is a bottle of milk? I only have £5.

a) lots      b) many      c) much

**11** I want to buy something sweet. Do you have any ..... ?

a) cheese      b) chocolate      c) chips

**12** ...., can you tell me where the beans are?

a) Excuse me      b) Goodbye      c) I am fine



## TASK 3

Choose the correct answer (a, b or c) to complete the dialogues.

### EXAMPLES



Ella: Can Ben come to our house tomorrow?

Mum: a) Yes, he is.  
b) Yes, he can.  
c) Yes, you can.

Ella: What time can he come?

Mum: a) How about 10 o'clock?  
b) No, he can't.  
c) To our house.

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Tom: I'm frightened of sharks. What about you?

Sam: a) No, I don't.  
b) Me too!  
c) Yes, it is.

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Tom: Sharks are so big and scary.

Sam: a) Yes, they are.  
b) Yes, it is  
c) Yes, they can.



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Mum: Harry, you are going to be late for school!

Harry: a) No, he isn't.  
b) Yes, please.  
c) I'm coming, mum.



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Mum: Did you finish your homework?

Harry: a) They didn't.  
b) I did.  
c) Yes, I do.

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Sarah: How many pencils do you have, Katie?

Katie: a) I don't.  
b) She has one.  
c) I have lots.



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Sarah: Can I borrow one please?

Katie: a) Of course!  
b) No, you will.  
c) I can't.



## TASK 4

Read the story and choose a, b or c to complete the sentences.

Last week, I visited my big sister. She lives in a beautiful **EXAMPLE** .....a... .

It has four bedrooms, and a big **19** ..... with lots of colourful flowers. It was very hot and **20** ..... when I visited. I played in the swimming pool every day.

My sister is a famous **21** ..... and she sings in different countries.

She started singing when she was 5 and really liked it. I can't sing, but I started **22** ..... lessons last week. I try to practice every day, but sometimes, I just want to play outside!

My favourite subject at school is **23** ..... because I can kick a football with my friends and have fun. I also make lots of new friends when I play tennis every Friday. It makes me very **24** ..... .

**EXAMPLE**

a) house	b) garden	c) school
<b>19</b> a) garden	b) bathroom	c) cottage
<b>20</b> a) rainy	b) sunny	c) cloudy
<b>21</b> a) model	b) pianist	c) popstar
<b>22</b> a) popstar	b) garden	c) piano
<b>23</b> a) maths	b) sport	c) geography
<b>24</b> a) happy	b) sunny	c) angry

## TASK 5

Read the story and choose a, b or c to complete the sentences.



My house **EXAMPLE** ..... a ..... very close to the zoo. The zoo is really big and

25 ..... many animals. My dad works at the zoo, 26 ..... I go there almost every weekend. He works with the lions, but he likes the elephants the best. I also like elephants, but the monkeys are 27 ..... favourite. They are funny, and they love 28 ..... with toys, just like me!

Last week, a new animal 29 ..... to the zoo. It was a girl panda, the first panda in England! Her name is Mia and she is very beautiful. My dad told me pandas live in China and 30 ..... only eat bamboo.

**EXAMPLE**

a) be

b) is

c) are

25 a) does

b) plays

c) has

26 a) so

b) because

c) if

27 a) his

b) her

c) my

28 a) play

b) playing

c) played

29 a) came

b) come

c) comes

30 a) it

b) she

c) they

