

NA1-D MIDTERM EXAM

LISTENING (20)

A. Listen and select the date you hear.

1. 1916 / 1960
2. 4th November / 4th December
3. 12th July 2005 / 12th July 2009
4. 2014 / 2040
5. 13th May / 30th May
6. 22nd June / 22nd July

WRITING/GRAMMAR (25)

B. Complete the text using was, wasn't, were or weren't.



The Brothers Grimm, Jacob and Wilhelm,¹ _____, famous 19th century storytellers. They ² _____ both born in Hanau, Germany. Jacob ³ _____ born in 1785 and Wilhelm in 1786. There ⁴ _____ nine children in the family. After their father died, life ⁵ _____ very difficult. Jacob and Wilhelm ⁶ _____ rich, but with help from their mother's sister, they went to school. In 1805, they ⁷ _____ both students at the University of Marburg. It ⁸ _____ a small, but very famous university. The brothers ⁹ _____ good students. They ¹⁰ _____ interested in tales and started to collect them. Their first book, in 1812, ¹¹ _____ Children's and Household Tales. There were 86 stories in it. The stories ¹² _____ for children at first, but they loved them. Children's and Household Tales ¹³ _____ the only book that the brothers published, but it ¹⁴ _____ the most popular.

C. Write the sentences in the past tense.

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| 1. We live in a village.
_____ | 4. Are those trousers expensive?
_____ |
| 2. Catrin studies languages at university.
_____ | 5. My partner starts work early.
_____ |
| 3. Is it a good hotel?
_____ | 6. She watches films in the morning.
_____ |

D. Complete the sentences with the correct object pronoun (me, you, him, her, etc.).

1. Sorry, but I can't tell _____. It's a secret.
2. I like Ryan and he likes _____.
3. Our friends visited _____ last weekend.
4. David loves his wife and she loves _____, too.
5. My parents weren't at home yesterday - I called _____ three times!

READING (20)

- E. Read the text about three famous people's first jobs and for questions 1 to 6, choose the correct answer.

Famous people's first jobs

Not all famous people were born into famous families. A lot of them had normal lives before becoming famous. They also had jobs like the rest of us. Here are just a few:

Former President Obama worked at an ice-cream parlour selling ice-cream cones. He was in high school in Honolulu, Hawaii and said it was quite hard. He also said that the job taught him about responsibility, hard work and how to spend time with work, friends and family.

Brad Pitt had a weird job when he was younger. He worked as a chicken! That's right. He worked at a restaurant called El Pollo Loco in Hollywood, and his job was to dress up like a chicken and wave at the cars on the road. In fact, if you go on a "See the Stars" tour in Hollywood, many of them will take you past the same restaurant where Brad used to work.

Maybe the strangest path in life was that of Pope Francis. When he was young in Argentina, he worked several jobs before joining the Jesuits and dedicating his life to religion. He worked as a cleaner sweeping floors, a chemical tester at a laboratory and as a bouncer at a bar! Yes, the pope was the person responsible for security at a bar in case anything wrong happened. Can you imagine?!

1. Who helped protect people?

2. Who pretended to be an animal?

3. Who learned a lot from their first job?

4. Who worked in advertising?

5. Who thought the job was difficult?

6. Who had a couple of different jobs?
