ADULTS II Mid-term test
Exam duration: 1 hour

PART I: READING

A. Read the passage and do the task below.

Brighton

Brighton began as a small village. In 1500, there were only five streets: North Street, South Street, East Street, West Street and Middle Street. There were a few cottages by the sea for fishermen, but there weren't any large buildings. Around 1750, people from London started to visit towns on the south coast because they believed that the sea was good for their health. Brighton became very popular. By 1875, it was a large town with a museum, a library, a hospital and a royal palace. Today, it is a city with a population of nearly 250,000.

Brighton is a great place for music fans. Some of the most fashionable clubs in the UK are in two streets in Brighton, West Street and Kings Road Arches, and well-known DJs often perform there. Every year in May, the Brighton Festival offers a programme of theatre, dance, classical concerts and opera. If you prefer other forms of entertainment, there are many museums, art galleries and theatres in Brighton. You can also see films at the oldest independent cinema in the UK, The Duke of York.

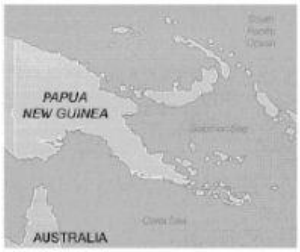
If you're interested in fashion, Brighton is the ideal place to shop. There are some large department stores, and also lots of smaller, independent clothes shops. These often sell more unusual clothes. The most famous area for shopping in Brighton is The Lanes. Here you can buy interesting jewellery, hats, shoes, perfume and all sorts of other things. There are also open-air markets where you can find great bargains!

Tick the correct answer in the box below.

	True	False	It doesn't say
1. In Brighton there are only 5 streets.			
2. People who live in Brighton are very friendly.			
3. Brighton has good places to go and listen to music.			
4. The Brighton Festival is free.			
5. There are many places to buy clothes in Brighton.			

B. Read the passage and answer the questions below.

Where boys become crocodile men



When does a teenager become an adult? In many countries, it happens on your 18th birthday, but in some parts of the world, you have to do something special to enter the world of adults.

On the island of Papua New Guinea, the Niowra tribe lives near the Sepik River, which is full of crocodiles. The people believe that crocodiles made the Earth and its people. When it is time for teenage boys to become men, a `crocodile ceremony' takes place.

The boys are taken to a hut called `The Crocodile Nest'. The hut is full of crocodile teeth and skulls. The boys are told to think of their crocodile `fathers and mothers' to help them to be strong and brave. Then they are beaten several times a day for six weeks and bamboo is used to make cuts on their chests and their backs. The boys play the drums together during their time in the hut –this helps them to feel that they are not alone. The Niowra believe that this ceremony makes the boys stronger and braver, so that they can survive in the dangerous forest. They also say that the boys don't feel the pain if they believe in their crocodile `fathers and mothers'. And the amazing thing is that some of the boys sleep through the most painful parts of the ceremony!

When the ceremony is over, there is singing and dancing and the crocodile men are given adult responsibilities in the village.

1. What is the place where the Niowra tribe lives like?

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2. What do the Niowra believe?

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3. What is `The Crocodile Nest´ and why do the boys go there?

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4. What do the boys do during the ceremony?

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5. How does a boy's life change after the ceremony?

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PART II: LANGUAGE

C) Complete the text below with the best option from the box.

Central Park

Central Park, in Manhattan, is a popular place for people in New York to meet, 'hang out' and have fun. New Yorkers say that the 843-acre park is 1) _____ own 'front garden', 2) _____ they can relax and escape from the noise of one of the busiest cities in the world. There are lots of things to do 3) _____ the park. You 4) _____ games, go jogging, cycling, horse-riding, or rollerblading, or simply sunbathe on the grass. There are 58 miles of paths to explore, but don't worry if you get tired; you can have a rest on one of the 9,000 benches. There are outdoor concerts and plays and, if you want something to eat, there are some great restaurants like *The Tavern on the Green.* Central Park is famous all over the world and around 25 million people visit it each year.

However, the park 5) _____ always been so popular. When it opened, in 1858, only rich people used it. Poor people said it 6) _____ too expensive to get there. When transport became

cheaper, the park became more popular and, in 1926, the first playground was built. 7) _____ in the 1960s and 1970s the park became dirty and dangerous, 8) _____ people didn't want 9) _____ there. Then, in 1980, an organization called The Central Park Conservancy took control and 10) _____ changed. They spent millions of dollars on the park. They planted trees and added a lot of attractions. Now there are 21 playgrounds and there's even a skating rink. It costs $20 million a year to look after Central Park, but most people agree that it's worth it.

1.	there	they're	their
2.	which	where	who
3.	in	on	at
4.	can play	playing	plays
5.	wasn't	hasn't	haven't
6.	is	were	Was
7.	but	and	so
8.	so	but	because
9.	go	to go	going
10.	everything	everybody	Anything

D) Complete the following conversation with words or phrases.

A phone conversation

Sally: Hi, Tom. How are you?
Tom: Hi Sally. I'm fine, thank you. _____?
Sally: I'm planning my next holidays. I'm very excited.
Tom: _____?
Sally: To London.
Tom: Have you _____?
Sally: No, never. This is my first time there. But you went to last year, didn't you?
Tom: Yes! It was great.
Sally: Where _____?
Tom: In a hotel, near the London Eye. Who _____ with?
Sally: With my family. I'm sorry Tom, my mum is calling me. See you tomorrow.
Tom: Ok. Bye.