



1) Reading: /10p

Read the texts below and choose the answer which you think fits best according to the text.**The Yarborough**

Well, where do I start? We booked a long weekend away and I had requested a quiet room as we're not into the late night revelry. We arrived early and the duty manager offered to put our bags in storage to allow us the chance to get out and about without the hindrance of our luggage. We returned at 2 pm to check in where all was dealt with quickly and efficiently. The duty manager allocated us room 329 on the 3rd floor.

Wow, what a room, we have stayed in many 5-star hotels and this was on par with all of them. It was absolutely immaculate. The bedroom was large and comfortable, the air conditioning was a touch of luxury given the standard of hotel and there was a quality TV with crystal clear pictures. Iron and ironing board in the room and even bottled water to compliment the hot drinks selection. We both enjoyed the lunches and breakfasts that we ate here, very tasty and very reasonably priced and the service was second to none. Despite the restaurant and bar being constantly busy, all the staff members had time to smile and chat to you. I would have preferred a buffet breakfast, but that is a small thing.

The hotel is located adjacent to the railway station and ideally placed for shopping in the town centre. This is a real hidden gem of a hotel good and at only £49 per night was excellent value for money. I will definitely return to this hotel for our next visit to Grimsby in the summer when we are having a big anniversary party. We will be singing its praises to all of my friends, family and work colleagues. Thank you to all at the Yarborough.

### **'The St. James**

Stayed here for Valentine's Day. We eventually found our room through the labrynth of corridors and thought it was OK. Nothing more, nothing less. Around 7pm, there was very loud music which we soon realised was the live music performance downstairs. We didn't have to leave the room to experience the entertainment as could hear every word in the bedroom! We could even hear people's conversations from the street below! We went down for the meal at 8pm and that was lovely, I couldn't fault it whatsoever. When we mentioned the loud music to our waiter, he acted as if he didn't believe us!

We went back to the room around 10pm and the music was louder than ever and went on for another hour or so. I understand it's for everyone else's benefit that was still down there but to hear every song as clear as day is just ridiculous! The bed felt as though it had been there for fifty years, with springs in your back when you move and very noisy. All in all, the worst night's sleep we've ever had!

Partly we're glad we stayed as we wanted to book our wedding here for next year, but definitely will not be doing so now! Will not be recommending nor returning!

### **Humber Royal**

My fiancé and I came to stay at The Humber Royal Hotel. After meeting with Melissa, the owner, we instantly felt comfortable and reassured that our wedding would be in good hands! Unlike most wedding venues, there was absolutely no pressuring us into making any decision and every detail that we requested was listened to. Vanessa dedicated a lot of time and effort into making us feel comfortable and assured us that no corners would be cut and put together a beautiful plan together for our special day.

The rooms are to a very high standard, very spacious and excellent value for money. Our room had an excellent view of the harbour too, which we weren't expecting. We stayed for an evening meal within the venue, the service was incredible and the food was absolutely delicious. Excellent value for money! We can't wait to show off our venue to our family and friends and to spend our wedding day with the staff at The Humber Royal.

## Healing Manor

This hotel is not quite as dog friendly as we had hoped and as a result should be more described as a hotel with dog-friendly rooms. Firstly you cannot take your dog to breakfast, you have to leave them behind in the room, or for no extra charge you can have room service but there are no table and chairs in the room to eat your food at.

The rooms were clean and a good size. The shower was amazing, probably the best shower I have had in years! The bed was a little bouncy for my liking and I have to say I'm never a fan of a double room that is actually two beds pushed together - those beds just are not comfortable for two cuddlers!

We received a handwritten note and some macaroons to wish us a Happy New Year, which was a lovely touch. The grounds of the hotel are stunningly beautiful and I bet make the perfect setting for a wedding.

On checking out, we noticed a few errors with our bill that we questioned and they rectified immediately. Just annoying that the errors were there in the first place.

In short, decent value overall but rooms are a bit tired and in need of care and think their dog policy in the main hotel could do with being reviewed. Why not offer dog-friendly breakfast in the Pig and Whistle pub, which is undoubtedly the jewel in your crown?

## The guests of which hotel...?

1. Were made to feel as though they were lying?

- ☐ The Yarborough
- ☐ Humber Royal
- ☐ The St James
- ☐ Healing Manor

2. Double checked how much they were having to pay?

- ☐ The Yarborough
- ☐ Humber Royal
- ☐ The St James
- ☐ Healing Manor

3. Had a surprise when they looked out of the window?

- ☐ The Yarborough
- ☐ Humber Royal
- ☐ The St James
- ☐ Healing Manor

4. Thought the hotel was conveniently located for transport connections?

- ☐ The Yarborough
- ☐ Humber Royal
- ☐ The St James
- ☐ Healing Manor

5. Were impressed with the sales technique of the business?

- ☐ The Yarborough
- ☐ Humber Royal
- ☐ The St James
- ☐ Healing Manor

6. Wanted more choice for what they had at breakfast?

- ☐ The Yarborough
- ☐ Humber Royal
- ☐ The St James
- ☐ Healing Manor

7. Found the layout of the hotel confusing?

- ☐ The Yarborough
- ☐ Humber Royal
- ☐ The St James
- ☐ Healing Manor

8. Are NOT planning a big future family event?

- ☐ The Yarborough
- ☐ Humber Royal
- ☐ The St James
- ☐ Healing Manor

2) Vocabulary: /10p

A) Choose the answer (A, B, C or D) that best completes each sentence.

- 1 Let's hurry! The theatre's doors \_\_\_\_\_ a 7pm sharp!  
**A** are closing    **B** closes    **C** close    **D** will close
- 2 She usually eats fat-\_\_\_\_\_ food because she's trying to lose weight.  
**A** rich    **B** balanced    **C** high    **D** free
- 3 This time tomorrow, I \_\_\_\_\_ in front of hundreds of people  
**A** will dance    **B** will be dancing    **C** am going to dance    **D** am dancing

- 4 He's \_\_\_\_\_ to dairy products. They make him very ill.  
A addicted B acquired C allergic D tolerant
- 5 the rapid \_\_\_\_\_ of our national industry has been very welcomed.  
A grows B grew C growth D growing
- 6 A: 'These bags are so heavy!' B: 'Don't worry! I \_\_\_\_\_ them.'  
A will get B get C am going to get D am getting
- 7 We were turned \_\_\_\_\_ at the door of the nightclub because we didn't have tickets.  
A away B down C off D out
- 8 It took him ages to get \_\_\_\_\_ the disappointment of not being in the play.  
A down B over C away D round
- 9 My diet \_\_\_\_\_ of eating small portions of all the foods I like.  
A contains B consists C includes D insists
- 10 She was offered a job but she turned it \_\_\_\_\_ as she wanted to run her own business.  
A out B off C up D down

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### 3) Use of English: /30p

A) Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.

- 1 We know that people were farming thousands of years ago. **IS**  
It \_\_\_\_\_ people were farming thousands of years ago.
- 2 Don't phone me at 11pm. I am usually asleep at that time. **BE**  
Don't phone me at 11pm. I \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 First, I am going to finish a project. Then I'll meet you. **SOON**  
I'll meet you \_\_\_\_\_ the project.
- 4 You must clean the rice before you cook it. **BE**  
The \_\_\_\_\_ before you cook it.
- 5 They think the café will be busy all year. **EXPECTED**  
The \_\_\_\_\_ busy all year.

- 6 The weather forecasts announced rains for the weekend.  
It \_\_\_\_\_ rain the whole weekend.
- 7 We believe that the restaurant was bought by a famous chef last month. **HAVE**  
The restaurant is \_\_\_\_\_ by a famous chef last month.
- 8 You can't smoke anywhere in the restaurant. **PERMITTED**  
Smoking \_\_\_\_\_ anywhere in the restaurant.
- 9 I'll get my degree the 5<sup>th</sup> December. **HAVE**  
By the end of December, \_\_\_\_\_ my degree.
- 10 I think people will lose interest in video games in ten years' time. **LOST**  
I think people \_\_\_\_\_ interest in video games by 2035.

**B) Complete the text. Use only one word for each gap.**

I've got some information about that restaurant, but not **1** \_\_\_\_\_. Although **2** \_\_\_\_\_ of people have recommended it to me, I can't find out any more about it. I've looked at its website but it's a **3** \_\_\_\_\_ old-fashioned and there are **4** \_\_\_\_\_ menus on it. However, apparently that's because the menu changes daily, depending on what ingredients are available locally although there are a **5** \_\_\_\_\_ examples of dishes offered, but not **6** \_\_\_\_\_. Furthermore, there seem to be hardly **7** \_\_\_\_\_ reviews online, either, which is very strange. The owner is a very private person and it's almost as if he doesn't want people to go to his restaurant. Nevertheless, a lot of my friends tell me that the food is amazing so, let me give you **8** \_\_\_\_\_ advice. Go along and try it, I don't think you'll be disappointed.

4) Listening: /10p

You will hear a woman called Terri Preston talking about her unusual job. For question 1-10, complete the sentences

# The horse nutritionist

Terri studied  1 at university.

Terri takes part in  2 to monitor the health of horses.

Terri was surprised to find that horses eat  3 kilos of grass every day.

One day Terri monitored very  4 horses which she found physically difficult.

Terri does not like doing  5 very much.

Terri uses the word  6 to describe how she feels about answering questions on the phone.

Terri is annoyed about the way  7 is provided for her work.

Terri describes human nutrition as  8 nowadays.

Terri says that the best approach for people to take to a diet is  9 rather than reducing what they eat.

Terri uses the example of  10 as something people should eat less of if they eat chocolate.