

Test 1 B (Module 1)

Task 1. Listening

Listen to the friends talking about the folk music festival. For questions 1-6, choose **a, b** or **c**.

1. Mandy tells Steven

- a. he needs company.
- b. he is welcome to join her.
- c. she is busy.

2. Mandy

- a. wasn't able to buy a festival ticket.
- b. only got one festival ticket.
- c. offers a festival ticket to Steven.

3. Steven asks Mandy

- a. if he can go alone to the festival.
- b. if she has a list of the festival bands.
- c. if Blue Moon is her favourite band.

4. Mandy advises Steven to bring

- a. sun cream.
- b. food.
- c. a rucksack.

5. Steven says the park gates open at

- a. 9.30 am.
- b. 9.45 am.
- c. 10 am.

6. Steven is worried about

- a. his dad letting him go to the festival.
- b. how safe the festival is.
- c. arriving late at Mandy's.

Task 2. Vocabulary and Grammar

Fill in the missing word. There is one extra word.

display * strong * enter * make * bright * street * special

- 1. If you see a spider, _____ sure you don't kill it; I've heard it's bad luck.
- 2. We always sing Christmas carols during the holidays, as it is a _____ tradition in my family.
- 3. The night sky burst with colour when the magnificent fireworks _____ began.
- 4. Throwing Mum and Dad a surprise party for Their anniversary this year is really a _____ idea.
- 5. The children were thrilled to see Disney floats at this year's colourful _____ parade.
- 6. Why don't you _____ the singing competition? You have a fantastic voice.

Fill in the gaps with the correct preposition **into, up, off, with, down, back**. There is one preposition you do not need to use.

- 7. The quiet little town turns _____ a busy cultural centre during carnival time.
- 8. Don't turn _____ the TV, please. I want to watch the parade.
- 9. It's not a good idea to turn _____ their offer before you think about it properly.
- 10. We're too far from home; we can't turn _____ to get the camera now!
- 11. I don't believe how many people turned _____ for the music festival.

Fill in **which, who, whose, where, that**.

Did you know that there are people (12) _____ are paid to predict the future? They're called 'actuaries'. I'd never heard of them until my friend Greg, (13) _____ mother is an actuary, told me about them. It's a job (14) _____ sounds quite interesting. Actuaries usually work for companies (15) _____ deal with the chances of things happening in the future. Actuaries have to decide how probable it is that sometimes will happen. For example, it's more probable that buildings will be flooded in places (16) _____ it rains a lot.

Task 3. Reading

Read the text and mark the sentences 1-7 T (true), F (false) or DS (doesn't say).

Many different countries have a national day. 12th June is the day when Russian people celebrate the beginning of modern Russian democracy. On that day in 1990, a document declaring Russian state sovereignty was signed by the country's leaders, making the start of the 'new' state of Russia as a nation. 12th June was declared a public holiday and this day is known as 'Russia Day'.

Because it is a national holiday, most banks, schools and public offices are closed. Public transport still runs, but with reduced timetables in most places.

In Moscow there's a big parade through the streets, and sporting events often take place outside the Kremlin. The President of Russia addresses the nation and takes the opportunity to present medals and awards to important and famous people in the arts and sciences.

Musical events and fireworks displays are common across the country. Some people take advantage of the day to celebrate their cultural heritage by dressing in traditional clothes and demonstrating the traditional dances of the various regions. A more modern way of celebrating includes attending pop concerts or going for a picnic in the countryside.

Some Russian communities abroad also celebrate the day. For example, in 2012 a formal dinner in Chicago, USA was attended by various VIPs representing both America and Russia, and included a speech given by the Russian Ambassador to the US. Russian classical music was performed and the dinner featured traditional Russian dishes.

Despite this variety of focus, the true meaning of the day is clear. No matter how people celebrate on 12th June, they are celebrating the relationship of a country to its past, present, and future, and – above all – its people.

1. Only Russia celebrates a National Day on 12th June.
2. Buses and trains change their timetable in most places on 12th June.
3. On 12th June, the Russian President gives a speech at midday.
4. People attend pop concerts on 12th June.
5. Some people in other countries also celebrate Russia day.
6. People celebrated Russia Day more in the past than they do now.