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English Language Final Test - Adults 1

Student's Name :

1 LISTENING: Listen to two people talking about their holiday. Select (✓) A, B, or C.

1) June and Thomas are from _____.

A Bristol B Bolton C Bradford

2) Their last holiday was _____.

A in the countryside B in the mountains C at the seaside

3) Thomas thought Bridlington was _____.

A interesting and cheap B boring and cheap C sunny but expensive

4) June likes going to _____.

A new places B quiet places C hot places

5) On his next holiday, Thomas wants to _____.

A have a city break B go on a cycling holiday C go to the beach

2) Read the magazine article and tick (✓) A, B, or C.

Australia – a great place to be

When people think of Australia, they often picture beautiful beaches, lovely weather, and lots of dangerous animals – such as salt water crocodiles and taipan snakes! It's true that we have these things, but Australia is more interesting than you might think.

Australia is in the South Pacific and it's the world's biggest island. We don't have any borders with other countries and our closest neighbours are Papua New Guinea and East Timor. Australia is the sixth largest country in the world. It's thirty times bigger than the United Kingdom, but nearly three times more people live in the UK. In the centre of the country there is a lot of desert. Most Australians live near the coast, where the country's biggest cities are.

There are plenty of exciting cities to visit here, including Canberra, our capital, and Sydney, which is famous for its Opera House and amazing harbour. However, it is Melbourne which is near the top of the list of the 'most exciting cities of the world'. It has wonderful beaches, a great nightlife, fantastic shops, and lots of arts festivals and exhibitions.

Australia is a fascinating place to visit. We're very proud of our country and we usually welcome tourists. Our way of life isn't very formal, but we often take presents when we visit people. If someone invites you to dinner, it's a good idea to take along flowers or wine for your host.

The good weather means we can do lots of outdoor activities. Summer lasts from December to February, and winter from June to August. However, Australia is enormous

and the weather isn't the same everywhere. The north has two types of weather – very wet and very dry! The centre stays dry all year round. But in the south, the weather changes from season to season. Summer in the south is hot, but winter can be cold, wet, and windy – you can even go skiing in the mountains!

Come and visit.

Example: Australia is the South Pacific.

A True ☒ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

1 Australia has a border with Papua New Guinea.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

2 Australia is one of the six biggest countries in the world.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

3 A lot of the land in the centre of the country is desert.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

4 There are some cities in the middle of Australia.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

5 Most Australians can swim.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

6 Sydney is at the top of the list of the most exciting cities in the world.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

7 Australia is an interesting place for tourists.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

8 Australians are usually formal to tourists.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

9 Water sports are very popular.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

10 It rains in the autumn in the north.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

3 - Complete the conversation with the verbs in Past Simple form.

Anna Did you and Matt go out last night?

Jane Yes, we *did*. We went to a restaurant.

Anna Did you go there by bus?

Jane No, we (1) _____. We took a taxi.

Anna What did you wear?

Jane I (2) _____ my new skirt.

Anna What did you have to eat?

Jane I (3) _____ a pizza.

Anna What time did you leave?

Jane We (4) _____ at eight o'clock.

Anna Did you go home after that?

Jane No. We (5) _____ a film at the cinema.

Anna When did you get home?

Jane We didn't (6) _____ home until 12 o'clock.

4- Complete the sentences with the comparative form of the adjective in brackets.

Example: My sister is younger (young) than me.

- 1 Your computer was _____ (expensive) than mine.
- 2 Sara's a _____ (bad) cook than me.
- 3 I think the mountains are _____ (beautiful) than the beach.
- 4 It's _____ (hot) in Greece than in Sweden.
- 5 Anton's a _____ (good) dancer than you.
- 6 Swimming in the sea is _____ (dangerous) than swimming in a pool.
- 7 I'm _____ (happy) now than when I was a teenager.
- 8 This year's course is _____ (hard) than last year's course.

5) Complete the sentences with *a*, *an*, *some*, or *any*.

Example: There are some strawberries in the fridge.

- 1 'I'm hungry.' 'Do you want _____ apple?'
- 2 Let's make _____ bread this evening.

- 3 He's a vegetarian. He doesn't want _____ meat.
- 4 'Are there _____ bananas?' 'No. Pete had the last one.'
- 5 Do you want _____ sandwich?
- 6 There are _____ eggs in the fridge.

6) Mark the correct verb.

Example: Cooking isn't difficult. You just need / learn / hope to practise.

- 1 'Would you hope / like / plan to have dinner with me?'
- 2 Laura's liking / being / planning to move to the USA. She's got a job there.
- 3 There's a new film on at the cinema that I really want / like / would to see.
- 4 He's studying hard because he likes / would / hopes to get a place at university.
- 5 There's nothing for dinner. We need / go / would to go to the supermarket.

7) Complete the sentences with *to* and a verb from the box.

drink get go have meet play visit

Example: Do you want to go to the cinema?

- 1 'Hello, I'm Dan.' 'Nice _____ you.'
- 2 Clare learned _____ the piano when she was a child.
- 3 'I don't have any money.' 'You need _____ a job!'
- 4 Jim decided _____ a party and invite all his friends.
- 5 'What would you like _____?' 'A glass of orange juice, please.'
- 6 I'd love _____ Australia one day.

8) Complete the sentences with the correct word.

Example: Read the exam questions carefully.

politely carefully casually

- 1 He isn't interested in fashion. He prefers to dress _____.
casually perfectly fashionably
- 2 'Is she a good dancer?' 'No, she dances really _____.'
well perfectly badly
- 3 He isn't a very good driver – sometimes he drives _____.
carefully well dangerously
- 4 You sang that song _____. Well done!

beautifully fashionably really

5 I can't understand you when you speak _____.

politely fast carefully

6 We can't sleep because they play their music _____.

quietly dangerously loudly

7 He eats very _____ – he has fast food every day.

unhealthily hard noisily

Complete the dialogue by putting the verbs in brackets into the present perfect or the past simple.

A Have you seen (you / see) this film before?

B No, I ¹ _____. What about you?

A I ² _____ (see) it last year at the cinema.

B I ³ _____ (meet) the main actor a few years ago.

A Wow! I ⁴ _____ (not / meet) anyone famous.

B It ⁵ _____ (be) before he was famous. He ⁶ _____ (go) to the same school as my brother, John. John's an actor, too.

A Really? ⁷ _____ (he / be) on TV?

B No, he usually works in the theatre.

10 - WRITING: CHOOSE ONE TOPIC : "A" OR "B" AND THEN WRITE

A) WRITE A TEXT DESCRIBING YOUR LIFE. Choose two or more ideas from the list. (75–100 words)

- 1 Your tastes (music, books, films, etc.)
- 2 Your lifestyle (daily activities, ways to relax, etc.)
- 3 Your home (house, rooms, pets, etc.)
- 4 Your abilities (languages, musical instruments, etc.)
- 5 Your favourite places (in your town, for holidays, etc.)
- 6 Your work experiences (first job, worst job, etc.)

B) Describe the meals in your country. Use these questions as a guide to write a text. (75–100 words)

- 1 What meals do people have? When do they have their meals?
- 2 What do people usually have for breakfast / lunch / dinner?
- 3 What types of food / drink are popular in your country?

4 Where do people shop for food?

5 Do people often eat out in restaurants?