

File Test 9

Reading and Listening A

READING

1 Read the posts and tick (✓) A, B, or C.

Post your messages @London Thank Yous. If your helper is in London, they may see it.

Lucy @Lucy_bly8539

Thank you to the kind commuters who helped me on the train between Cambridge and Ely on July 21st. I had been in Cambridge for a university interview and had rushed to the station because there's only one fast train an hour to London King's Cross. I was literally running when I dropped my phone. I picked that up and then jumped on the train just before it left the station. A few minutes later, I read the electronic noticeboard in the train and saw that we were going to King's Lynn, not King's Cross. I realised I was heading to the seaside and not London! I'm not used to travelling on my own. When I saw that my phone was broken too, I started to cry. I think most of the people in the carriage helped me to calm down and explained what I needed to do. A very kind lady let me use her phone to tell my mum what had happened. I changed trains at Ely and caught the next train back to King's Cross from there. I don't have a very good sense of direction for someone who wants to study geography after school, do I? Thank you everyone!

James @James&family00buzz

Thanks to everyone who looked after my son at the London Eye yesterday. We had just visited the nearby London Aquarium and my two boys wanted to see the London Eye before we went home. It was terribly busy and I had my youngest son in a pushchair. Thomas, who is six, wanted to go faster and ran off ahead. I immediately lost sight of him in the crowd. He got to the Eye and then realized he was lost. Apparently, many people stood in a circle around him to keep him safe. The police were there in seconds, and one police officer carried Thomas on his shoulders to watch for me. I reached him about 2 minutes later. By then, a kind street performer — one of those guys who stands still like a statue — had even bought Thomas an ice cream. I was terrified but Thomas was delighted. I am grateful to you all.

Marissa @SuperMari_0058

Thanks to the man with the grey and green water bottle on the London Underground Piccadilly Line. The weather was so hot and I was feeling faint. You gave me your seat and your water bottle. I think you had red hair but you definitely had rainbow striped socks because I was looking at them for about 10 minutes. I thought I was going to be sick so I left the train at Barons Court station to cool off before getting back on the Underground. I took a little walk to look for a café and found several flats to rent. I'm moving to Barons Court next week! Would you like your water bottle back?

Example: Lucy is a university student from Cambridge .

A True ☐ B False ☒ C Doesn't say ☐

1 There are lots of trains between Cambridge and King's Cross.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

2 When she spoke to the ticket inspector, Lucy realized she was on the wrong train.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

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- 3 If Lucy hadn't got off the train, she would have arrived at the coast.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 4 Several commuters helped Lucy to change trains at Ely.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 5 Thomas wasn't old enough to walk alone in London.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 6 The street performer was dressed as a robot.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 7 James and Thomas were apart for very little time.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 8 Marissa was feeling faint because it was hot and she was pregnant.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 9 Marissa can't remember much about what the man looked like.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 10 Marissa was planning to walk home from Barons Court station.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

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2 Write L for Lucy, J for James or M for Marissa.

Example: If it hadn't been so hot, I wouldn't have felt ill. M

- 1 I wouldn't have lost sight of him if it hadn't been so crowded. _____
- 2 If I hadn't broken my phone, I wouldn't have been so upset. _____
- 3 I'm sure he would have been scared if people hadn't been so kind. _____
- 4 I wouldn't have found my new home if I hadn't left the train early. _____
- 5 If a commuter hadn't helped me, my family wouldn't have known where I was. _____

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LISTENING

1 Listen to a conversation in a shopping centre. Complete the sentences with one or two words. You may have to change the form of the words you hear.

- 1 The box Rashed is using is a _____ for electronic devices.
- 2 According to Nadia, there _____ boxes like these in European cities.
- 3 Rashed _____ his phone 20 minutes ago and took a key.
- 4 Rashed thinks shoppers like the boxes because they're _____ to use.
- 5 Nadia is going to wait in a _____ for 15 minutes.

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2 Listen to five conversations. Tick (✓) A, B, or C.

- 1 The man does not have his _____.
A laptop ☐ B charger ☐ C memory stick ☐
- 2 The man is having problems _____.
A changing his wallpaper ☐ B uploading a photo ☐ C installing a photo app ☐
- 3 Carla used to have _____ apps on her phone.
A fewer games ☐ B loads of games ☐ C no games ☐
- 4 Gus keeps his passwords _____.
A in his memory ☐ B in a password manager ☐ C on paper ☐
- 5 Kate _____ her presentation if she hadn't brought the memory stick.
A would still have given ☐ B couldn't have updated ☐
C wouldn't have given ☐

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