

THE ENGLISH ROOM



ADULTS 2 / ELEMENTARY LEVEL MID-TERM TEST/JUNE

ENGLISH FILE PRE-INTERMEDIATE 4TH EDITION

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1) Reading comprehension. Read about Mike and his childhood as a poor child.

Growing up poor

My name is Mike, and I was born in a very poor neighborhood in Los Angeles. When I was little, my mother took care of my brother and me because my father left before I came to this world, and he wasn't too interested in being a part of our lives. My mother had to work two jobs that didn't pay much. She had to work very hard so that we could have food, clothes, and a place to live.

Every day, she usually arrived home very late, and she was exhausted. Still, she always cooked nice meals for us, played with us, and made sure that we did our homework. She always insisted on how important it was to get a good education. She couldn't finish school because she got pregnant with me when she was just a teenager. "I couldn't finish school, and that's why I must work so hard now, and I earn so little money," she often said.

Children were very violent in my neighborhood; you needed to be violent if you wanted to survive. There was a lot of crime, vandalism, and drugs. It wasn't easy to be a good student for any child who lived in our neighborhood. The other children hated you if you got good grades, so I wasn't very popular. The only positive thing about living in that place is that you needed to be very clever to survive, and that helped me later in life.

Finally, my brother and I could finish high school. I went to university because I was a very good basketball player, and basketball paid for my university degree. On the day of my graduation, my mother was in tears. And she was in tears again the day I showed her our new apartment, away from the neighborhood. Do you know how difficult it is to get out of a poor neighborhood? It's very hard, but I did it, and it was thanks to my mum. Now she doesn't have to work two jobs anymore, and I take care of her.



2) Answer the following questions. Write FULL answers.

- 1. Did Mike meet his father?**
- 2. What did Mike's mum have to do buy food and clothes?**
- 3. How did she feel after work?**
- 4. Why couldn't she finish school?**
- 5. Was it easy to be a student for Steve?**
- 6. How are things different now for Steve and his family?**

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3) Answer the following questions about yourself. Write full answers.

- a) What was your life like when you were a child?**
- b) Did you like your childhood? Why? Why not?**

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4) Look at the airport signs and match them.

arrivals
bag drop
baggage reclaim
check-in
customs
departures
gates
lifts
passport control
security check
terminal
trolley



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5- Complete the sentences with will, going to or present continuous.

- 1) We _____ (go) to Madrid on Monday.
- 2) Mark's mother believes that he _____ (be) famous one day.
- 3) Look at those clouds! It _____ (rain) soon.
- 4) I _____ (meet) my uncle at the airport.
- 5) The Browns _____ (move) to the country next month.
- 6) I don't think it _____ (snow)

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7) Classify the words into the correct category.

Q	IN	x

Q	AT	x

Q	ON	x

ROME- JULY-NIGHT-PLANE
2nd MAY-WEDNESDAY-WORK-HOME
THE WEEKEND-7:00 O´CLOCK-THE WALL
THE BEDROOM

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8) Complete the dialogue with the correct form of the verb.

Sara: Hi Tom! How are you? I´d like to ask you something if you don´t mind.

Tom: Sure! Go ahead.

Sara: _____(be) you _____(wait) for the bus yesterday at 6:00?

Tom: Mmmm, I think it _____(be/not) me Sara.

Sara: But...I´m pretty sure you _____(look) at your phone when I saw you. It was you!

Tom: I´m sorry but I _____(work) at 6:00. Actually, my phone _____(ring) while I _____(write) an email and it was a text from your sister.

Sara: My sister? That´s impossible! Today she told me she _____(not/talk) to you yesterday.

Tom: Ahhh....Look Sara, I believe you are getting confused.

Sara: I don´t think so Tom. I _____(see) you at the bustop. What _____you _____(wear)?

Tom: Yesterday? Well, I think I was wearing my old blue sweater and my brown trousers.

Sara: I must have seen someone else then. Sorry Tom.

Tom: It´s fine.

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6) Listen to a tour guide in London. Choose the correct option a, b or c.

- 1 The guide has extra umbrellas**
Yes
No
Doesn't say

- 2 The tour takes _____ hours.**
2
3
4

- 3 At Madame Tussauds Museum you can see _____.**
maps of London
models of famous people
famous shops

- 4 Oxford Street is a famous street for _____.**
drinking tea
eating
shopping

- 5 Near the palace there's a lovely**
restaurant
café
museum



8) You are going on holidays next month. Write an email to your friend telling him/her:

- about your plans**
- the predictions for the weather**
- the hotel you´ll stay in**
- a problem you had yesterday**

