

# English Test # 2



Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ A05

## Vocabulary

1 Complete the text with the words in the box. There are two extra words.

energy-efficient locally grown organic solar-powered sustainable recycled renewable

One of the first steps we can take to cut our carbon footprint is to become a green consumer. Start by buying (1) \_\_\_\_\_ fruit and vegetables. This reduces transportation miles and supports local farmers. Another thing is to look out for (2) \_\_\_\_\_ produce. It's better for the environment, as the farming methods reduce pesticide residues in our food and don't harm wildlife, such as bees and insects. Switch your energy provider so you are buying electricity from a (3) \_\_\_\_\_ resource, such as wind or solar power. And if you need to buy a new household appliance, such as a refrigerator or washing machine, look for the latest (4) \_\_\_\_\_ models. When you buy new furniture, check it's made from wood from (5) \_\_\_\_\_ forests. These small things will all make a difference, and ensure that our shopping habits don't cost the Earth!

2 Underline the correct phrases.

- a) You should put your **foot in your mouth** / **feet up** / **foot down** for a while. You've been busy all morning.
- b) Myra's **getting cold feet** / **has itchy feet** / **hasn't put a foot wrong** about going on vacation with the Smiths.
- c) It was a big letdown for Martin to discover that his new wife had **feet of clay** / **itchy feet** / **a foot in the door** after all.
- d) You need to **wait on hand and foot** / **stand on your own two feet** / **put your foot down** and tell them you're not going to go to the meeting.
- e) I think I really **put a foot wrong** / **put my foot in my mouth** / **shot myself in the foot** when I asked James about his new job. It was supposed to be a secret.

**3 Match the shoes (a–e) with the places (1–5).**

- |               |                                |
|---------------|--------------------------------|
| a) flip-flops | 1) a ladies' night on the town |
| b) sneakers   | 2) a beach                     |
| c) stilettos  | 3) a tennis court              |
| d) slip-ons   | 4) home                        |
| e) slippers   | 5) work                        |

## Grammar

**4 Rewrite the sentences using the passive form.**

- a) People have inhabited these caves for two thousand years.

---

- b) The wind is eroding the markings on the wall.

---

- c) Someone is going to open the gates at two o'clock.

---

- d) Someone must have opened the tomb before we got here.

---

- e) We had fermented the wine for nine months before we bottled it.

---

- f) Julia should be writing this report, not you.

---

**5 Combine the pairs of sentences by using the passive form and a reduced passive clause.**

- a) In this valley, people have built dwellings. The people accessed them by ladders.

---

- b) Explorers discovered these ruins. William Webb led the exploration.

---

- c) People should see these beautiful paintings. The Egyptians created them.

---

- d) Experts are studying these amazing finds. They are hiding the finds in a secret location.
- 

**6 Underline the correct alternative.**

- a) I think flat shoes are **considerably** / **just as** / **nowhere near** more comfortable than stilettos.  
b) The weather forecast said it's going to be **way** / **slightly** / **by far** warmer tomorrow than it is today, but not a lot.  
c) These are **way** / **rather** / **by far** the nicest shoes I own.  
d) This report is **slightly** / **infinitely** / **just as** better than the last one; it's a great improvement.  
e) This book is **nowhere near** / **infinitely** / **rather** as good as the one I read last year.

## Language for Life

**7 Complete the two conversations with the phrases in the box. There are two extra phrases.**

if it'll make you happy    I should give it a try    I think it's definitely worth    it's a waste of time  
nothing ventured, nothing gained    really see the point of    You might as well try

**Conversation 1**

- A: Would you like to buy a raffle ticket? They're \$1 each. The first prize is dinner for two at Mario's.  
B: I don't know. Is it for a good cause?  
A: It's for the Humane Society. You never know. You might win. After all,  
(1) \_\_\_\_\_ .  
B: OK. Maybe (2) \_\_\_\_\_ . I'll have five tickets, please.

**Conversation 2**

- A: Are you coming to the climate-change demonstration on Saturday?  
B: I'm not sure. To tell the truth, I think (3) \_\_\_\_\_ . It's not going to make any difference.  
A: Don't be so defeatist. (4) \_\_\_\_\_ making our voices heard. Come on! Join us! You'll feel like you're doing something worthwhile.

B: OK, (5) \_\_\_\_\_ . But I don't think it'll make any difference.

A: Cynic!

