

## Linguaskill midterm practice exam

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### a) LISTENING

#### PART 1

There are five questions in this part. For each question, there are three pictures and a short recording. Click on the correct picture.



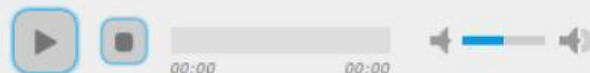
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What does the man want to buy?



#### PART 2

There are five questions in this part. For each question listen to a short recording and answer the question.

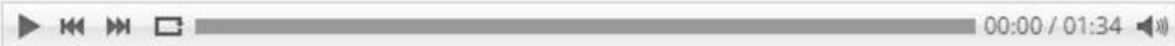


1. You will hear a man talking about his sister. What did his sister do?

- ☐ arrive late   ☐ miss a show   ☐ eat his food

### PART 3

Listen to Rebecca and Adam planning a night together. For each question, choose the correct answer.



1

Rebecca and Alan decide to meet on

- ☐ Wednesday
- ☐ Thursday
- ☐ Friday

2

They decide to

- ☐ Go out for dinner.
- ☐ Go out for a drink.
- ☐ Stay in and watch a DVD.

3

The Orange Tree is on

- ☐ Church Road.
- ☐ Love Lane.
- ☐ Potter Street.

4

They will meet at

- ☐ Ten past seven.
- ☐ Twenty to seven.
- ☐ Seven twenty.

5

Rebecca met Charlie

- ☐ at a party.
- ☐ on a skiing holiday.
- ☐ at the sports centre.

## b) READING AND USE OF ENGLISH

### PART 1

For this question, choose the correct answer.

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Babysitter wanted for two children

Every Tuesday evening, some Wednesday evenings.

Experience essential and must have own transport.

Ring Carol to find out what's involved.

- ☐ Carol can provide transport for the babysitter if necessary.
- ☐ Carol requires the babysitter on the same two evenings every week.
- ☐ Carol wants a babysitter who has looked after children before.

### PART 2

Read the article about Jim Kendrick's commute\*.

choose the

best word to fill the spaces.

\*commute = a journey to and from work

Every day, Jim Kendrick leaves home at five o'clock in the morning and drives to work. That's not unusual.  of people get up early to drive to work. But Jim Kendrick's work is 320 kilometres away from his home. It  him three and a half hours to get from his home in San Antonio, Texas to his job at the port in Houston. In the evening, he does the journey , and gets home at nine o'clock  the evening.

Recently, Jim won a competition – 'America's Longest Commute'. He won \$10,000, enough to pay for his fuel for one year.

Reporters asked Jim why he drives so far to work. He replied, 'I have a lovely house in San Antonio. I  want to leave it. And I like the drive too. It gives me energy. I'll probably do this journey for another five or ten years. Then I'll look for a job  home'.

Choose the correct answer:

- 1) A) Lots B) Many C) Much
- 2) A) gets B) makes C) takes
- 3) A) Again B) still C) enough
- 4) A) on B) at C) in
- 5) A) don't B) didn't C) can't
- 6) A) nearly B) nearer C) nearest

## PART 3

Fill in with only one word

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1. The stadium was  of people.
2. Our TV is  working; we have to buy a new one.
3. Ned fell  at 10pm and he woke up at 7am.
4. Today there are no clouds, the sky is .
5. We have run  of sugar. Remember to buy some tomorrow.
6. I  speak English but I can't speak Russian.

## PART 4

*Read the text and answer the questions.*

Northacre Council Department of Education

### Sixteen - What now?

You're 16 and finally you can leave school! By now, you're probably sick of teachers, desks, tests and exams. But don't just run for the exit. You need to think carefully about what to do next. If you want a professional career, you will need to go to university and get a degree. To do that, you need to stay at high school for another two years. But you needn't stay at the same place. There are several options in the district of Northacre.

St. Leopold's School has the best pass rate of all the high schools in the district. It offers a wide range of subjects in the humanities and sciences. St Leopold's is, of course, a private school, so may be too expensive for you. But don't worry, there are several other options if you want to follow the academic route. Knowle Grammar School is a state school, so there are no fees, and it has excellent tuition and facilities. It is a boys' school from the ages of 11-16, but from 16-18 it is co-educational. But it is selective, so you'll have to pass an exam to get in. If you're interested in going into Business, check out Wyle River Academy. This school specialises in subjects like Business Studies, Management and Economics. If you prefer the arts, look at the courses on offer at Northacre College. Here you can study woodwork, art, textiles and much more.

Northacre College also offers a wide range of vocational qualifications. You can do a 1-year certificate or a 2-year diploma in subjects like electrics, plumbing, roofing and hairdressing. If you'd prefer to work outdoors, look at Milldown College, where there are courses in Farm Mechanics, Land Management, Animal Management and much more.

A final option is to get an apprenticeship with a local or national company. You will get on-the-job training, gain certificates or diplomas and start earning straight away. But be warned - places are limited! Find out more at the Jobs Fair on 26th May at Northacre College.

1 The aim of the article is to...

- ☐ advise young people about how to get to university.
- ☐ tell young people about the options available.
- ☐ advise young people to stay in education.

2 The article advises readers who want a professional career to...

- ☐ go to university immediately.
- ☐ stay at the same school for two more years.
- ☐ go to high school for two more years, then get a degree.

3 St Leopold's is the best school for...

- ☐ good exam results.
- ☐ humanities and sciences.
- ☐ facilities.

4 You can only attend St Leopold's school if you...

- ☐ pay tuition fees.
- ☐ pass an exam.
- ☐ study both humanities and sciences.

5 You can only attend Knowle Grammar School if you...

- ☐ pass an exam.
- ☐ are a boy.
- ☐ can afford the tuition fees.

6 Anna wants to work with horses. Where is the best place for her to study?

- ☐ Wyle River Academy
- ☐ Northacre College
- ☐ Milldown College