

# MOCK TEST 1

## I. LISTENING

1. Listen to some self-introductions and complete the information about person. The answers use ONE, TWO or THREE words.

Name (1) \_\_\_\_\_  
What does she do? (2) \_\_\_\_\_  
Where is she from? (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
What sport does she like? (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
How often? (5) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Listen to people phoning their friends. Tick where each person is.

	Kathy	Bill	Susan	Terry	Mr Lee	Helen
in the garage	✓					
in the bathroom						
in the bedroom						
in the kitchen						
in the living room						
he/she has gone out						

## II. READING

1. Read the blog and choose the correct answer A, B, C or D.

### The Joys and Responsibilities of College Life

College is a new and different experience for me. I'm away from home, so I have many things to adjust to. Being on my own, talking with friendly people, and having Fridays off - these are just some things I like about college.

Living at college, first of all, gives me a sense of responsibility, of being on my own. My parents are not around to say, "No, you're not going out tonight." Or "Did you finish your homework?" Everything I do has to be my decision, and that gives me the responsibility of handling my own life. During the second week, I was at college, I had to go out and look for a bank where I could open an account. Before that, I looked in the phone book since I **had no clue** about any banks

around here or where they were located. Someone told me to go to a bank named Continental Federal Savings. And I had to make my own decision - whether to have a checking or savings account and whether or not to get a card. I'm on my own to make my own decisions.

I also love to have Fridays off. I wouldn't be able to deal with five days of classes in a row. I love to sleep in. One Thursday night, my roommates and I went to Georgetown. We got in rather early the next morning, and my roommates and I decided to sleep in, something I couldn't do in high school.

I do like things about college - being on my own and having Fridays off, but this doesn't mean I don't think about things at home. Although I like college, I can still get homesick: New York is a pretty good place, too.

(Source: <http://readingfaster.com>)

**1. What is the passage mainly about?**

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| A. Activities at college                       | C. Living on one's own                                       |
| B. Responsibilities of being a college student | D. A new and different experience of being a college student |

**2. All of the following are mentioned to show the author's likes of college EXCEPT.**

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| A. a sense of being on her own | C. being homesick         |
| B. having no class on Fridays  | D. being able to sleep in |

**3. The example of going to a bank in paragraph 2 shows the author.**

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| A. has a lot of money  | C. wants to draw some money |
| B. is very industrious | D. has to depend on her own |

**4. The phrase "*had no clue*" in paragraph 2 mostly means.**

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| A. knew nothing       | C. seized the chance |
| B. learned everything | D. took no notice of |

**5. The author of the passage seems to be proud of \_\_\_\_ .**

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| A. entering the college     | C. being away from her parents         |
| B. making her own decisions | D. opening an account in a famous bank |

**2. Read the reviews of the best places to relax. In boxes 6- 10 on your answer sheet, write: TRUE if the statement agrees with the information FALSE if the statement contradicts the information NOT GIVEN if there is no information on this**

## **Places to Relax**

### **A. The City Library**

When I need to escape the stress of my daily life, I go to the big city library. It is one of the few places where there is guaranteed to be complete silence. No phones, no talking. I love finding a comfortable chair in a quiet corner where nobody will interrupt me, and just losing myself in a book for a few hours. Being surrounded by so much knowledge has a very calming effect on me. It costs nothing to go inside.

### **B. A Local Cafe**

My favourite way to relax is to spend an hour in a cosy local cafe. I always go to the same one, where they know my coffee order. I love the gentle background noise: the quiet hum of the coffee machine and the low murmur of other people's conversations. It makes me feel connected to the world, but in a way that requires nothing from me. I usually take a notebook and write down my thoughts, or just watch the world go by outside the window.

### **C. The Public Park**

For me, the best way to clear my head is to go for a long walk in the big public park. Being around nature, with the trees and the flowers, always makes me feel better. I like to find a bench by the lake and just watch the ducks. It is a great way to get some fresh air and gentle exercise, which I find very relaxing. Even when there are other people around, the park is large enough that you can always find your own space.

### **D. The Community Sports Centre**

It might sound strange, but my favourite place to relax is the swimming pool at the local sports centre. The physical act of swimming, focusing on my breathing and the movement of the water, clears my mind of all worries. It is a very active form of relaxation. Afterwards, I feel



tired but completely refreshed and free of stress. It is not a quiet place, but the rhythmic sound of swimming helps me to switch off my thoughts.

6. The individual in section A chooses the library primarily for its guaranteed quiet environment, free from phone calls or conversations.
7. The person described in section B prefers to frequent various coffee shops to enhance their overall experience.
8. According to section C, taking a stroll in the public park is an effective method for the writer to benefit from fresh air and moderate physical activity.
9. The writer of section D considers swimming to be an undemanding form of relaxation, enabling them to unwind without significant physical exertion.
10. The city library mentioned in the passage provides a small refreshment area where visitors can purchase beverages.

### III. Writing

You see this announcement on an English-language website for young people.

#### Hobbies and Activities

Should people try to do hobbies and organised activities in their free time?

Or is it better just to watch films or chat to friends?

Is there a hobby or activity that you'd like to start doing? Why?

*Write your **article** in about 100 words.*

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**THE END**