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**SHAKESPEARE SCHOOL
2025 - 2026
FOREIGN LANGUAGES DEPARTMENT
FIRST EXAM
English Language and Arts – 1st Course**

Student's name: _____ **Grade:** _____

Date: _____

DIRECTIONS

- Read the directions carefully.
- For the writing section, please use a BLACK/BLUE ink pen.
- Illegible handwriting will not be graded.
- You are allowed to use white-out, if needed.
- The answers must be written with pen, NO PENCIL.
- No erasable pen is allowed.

SCORES:	
Listening:	/ 13 points
Vocabulary:	/ 13 points
Grammar:	/ 19 points
Reading:	/ 6 points
Use of English:	/ 6 points
Speaking:	/ 10 points
GRAND TOTAL:	/ 67

FINAL MARK _____ /10

ASSESSMENT INDICATORS

Learners can follow and understand short straight forward spoken audio texts set in familiar contexts when the message is delivered slowly and there is other contextual support. (Example: rules for a game, classroom instructions, a dialogue in a scene from a cartoon or movie, etc.) Learners can use other classmate's contributions in class as models for their own. REF (I.EFL.4.7.1.) (I.2, I.3, S.4) 

Learners can convey and organize information through the use of facts and details and by employing various stages of the writing process. REF. (I.EFL.4.17.1.) (I.1, I.3, S.4, J.2, J.4)  CEFR: A2-. All topics



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LISTENING

1. LISTEN AND CHOOSE TRUE (T) OR FALSE (F).

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- 1 Speaker 1 says her friends love sitting in her armchair. T / F
- 2 Speaker 1 says she enjoys looking out at the garden. T / F
- 3 Speaker 2 enjoys playing computer games. T / F
- 4 Speaker 3 has got a big bedroom with a TV in it. T / F
- 5 Speaker 4 has got a poster that is a photo of her and her friends. T / F
- 6 Speaker 4 doesn't like her new rug. T / F
- 7 At night, Speaker 5 puts his guitar on the chest of drawers. T / F

2. LISTEN AND CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWERS.

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- 1 David Browne has to ...
 - A train alone.
 - B run with a guide.
 - C train alone and with a guide.
- 2 David ...
 - A is a winner of four competitions.
 - B doesn't think he can win again.
 - C can run 100 metres in under 11 seconds.
- 3 Thalita Da Silva ...
 - A trains hard every day.
 - B can't see at all.
 - C is an American teenager.
- 4 Thalita also likes ...
 - A swimming and cycling.
 - B karate and dancing.
 - C dancing and cycling.
- 5 Alana Nichols can't walk because of a/an ... accident.
 - A snowboarding
 - B ice skating
 - C surfing
- 6 Sümeyye Boyaci ...
 - A always trains for six hours a day.
 - B swims over eight kilometres a day before competitions.
 - C doesn't have any gold medals.



VOCABULARY

3. CHOOSE THE CORRECT ALTERNATIVE.

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- 1 How often do you do/make the shopping?
- 2 I sweep/dust the furniture once a week.
- 3 They lay/make their beds every morning.
- 4 I tidy/take the rubbish out in the evening.
- 5 Please do/lay the table for dinner.
- 6 I sweep/make the floor every day.
- 7 They often vacuum/clean the windows.

4. CHOOSE THE CORRECT ALTERNATIVE.

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- 1 In winter, we go ice skating/skiing. I love going down the mountains fast!
- 2 When I go surfing/running, I often fall into the water.
- 3 You play hockey/badminton on a court with two or four people. It's similar to tennis.
- 4 You don't need bats or rackets to play basketball/baseball. You use your hands.
- 5 You need a bike to go cycling/skateboarding.
- 6 In football/volleyball, the ball has to go over the net. It mustn't touch the floor.

GRAMMAR

5. CHOOSE THE CORRECT ALTERNATIVE.

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- 1 I don't watch/am not watching TV every day.
- 2 What do they do/are they doing at the moment?
- 3 Sam checks/is checking his messages now.
- 4 They don't usually clean/aren't usually cleaning the windows at the weekend.
- 5 Marta doesn't chat/isn't chatting online to her friends right now.
- 6 We're busy. At the moment we put/are putting the clothes in the washing machine.
- 7 School always starts/is starting at 9 am.

6. COMPLETE THE SENTENCES WITH CAN OR CAN'T.

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- 1 I _____ hear you. The music is very loud.
- 2 Max _____ swim. He's very good at it.
- 3 Where is my swimming cap? I _____.find it.
- 4 My dog _____ jump onto the sofa. He's got a bad leg.
- 5 I _____ kick the ball with my left foot and with my right foot. I use them both.
- 6 We _____ ski in the mountains today. The weather is very bad.



7. COMPLETE THE SENTENCES WITH THE ADVERB FORM OF THE WORD

GIVEN.

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- 1 Oh no! They are playing very _____ (bad) at the moment.
- 2 She's very strong. She can climb the wall _____ (easy).
- 3 He's good at football. He plays very _____ (good).
- 4 We love surfing. We always run _____ (fast) into the sea.
- 5 Listen to the teacher _____ (careful) so you know what to do.
- 6 The bus is leaving soon. Let's run _____ (quick) to catch it.

READING

8. READ THE TEXT, AND CHOOSE THE BEST ANSWER.

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Teen life

I'm writing this blog after reading some new information about the daily life of teenagers in the US from the Pew Research Center®. It says how teens spend their time nowadays is different to ten years ago – that's normal. But there are some other things I'm quite surprised about!

Do you know, girls STILL help out more at home? Crazy! Girls spend 38 minutes a day doing housework and other jobs round the house. For 29 minutes of that, they're making food and cleaning up afterwards. Boys do housework for an average of 24 minutes a day – 12 minutes of making food and cleaning up and the rest doing other jobs. So, girls and boys usually spend about the same time on other jobs in the home, for example, ironing, sweeping the floor, vacuuming or dusting.

That's not all. Generally, teens spend 5 hours 44 mins doing free-time activities, and a lot of this time includes looking at screens. Boys spend almost 3 hours 31 minutes a day on screens, but girls generally spend 2 hours 33 minutes. In contrast, girls spend 1 hour 11 minutes doing homework, but boys only spend 50 minutes!

Boys do more exercise – they spend 59 minutes a day doing sports. For girls, it's 33 minutes. However, girls spend more time shopping. Generally, teens spend over 9.5 hours a day sleeping on average – about 11 hours a night at the weekend and 9 hours during the week.

What do you think of these results? Is it similar where you live?

Choose the best summary.

- A It is a blog about teenagers' daily life ten years ago.
- B It is a blog about how teenage girls spend their time.
- C It is a blog about how teenagers today spend their time.

- 1 The writer thinks the results from the Pew Research Center are ...
 - A normal.
 - B surprising.
 - C crazy.
- 2 Both girls and boys ...
 - A spend 24 minutes a day doing housework and other jobs.
 - B spend 38 minutes a day doing housework and other jobs.
 - C spend the same amount of time doing jobs such as ironing or dusting.



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- 3 How much time do teenagers generally spend on screens?
 - A Between 5 and 6 hours
 - B Between 3 and 4 hours
 - C Between 2 and 3 hours
- 4 Which is true about doing homework?
 - A Girls and boys spend about the same amount of time doing homework.
 - B Boys spend over 20 minutes more on homework than girls.
 - C Girls spend over an hour doing homework every day.
- 5 Girls and boys spend the same amount of time ...
 - A doing sports.
 - B sleeping.
 - C shopping.

USE OF ENGLISH

9. CHOOSE THE ANSWER THAT BEST FITS EACH GAP.

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Sky Brown

Sky Brown is just twelve years old, but she is already a champion. Sky

1 _____ dance and surf – she's really good at them – but 2 _____ one sport she is amazing at – skateboarding. When she is skateboarding, she 3 _____ falls off and she goes really fast. She skateboards really 4 _____. At the moment, she 5 _____ for the next Olympic Games®. She 6 _____ train hard every day. Sky usually 7 _____ in Japan, but she spends a lot of time in America, too. 8 _____ are her plans for the future? She wants to compete in the Olympics and to help children who don't have clean water or education. Go Sky!

SPEAKING

10. SPEAK ABOUT SPORTS. (THE VIDEO WAS ALREADY GRADED.)

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