

# PREPARE FOR THE EXAM

## A2 KEY FOR SCHOOLS

### Reading Part 2 Multiple-choice three short texts (Unit 3, Unit 12, Unit 18)



#### EXAM INFORMATION

##### What is Part 2?

There are three short texts to read.  
They might be about people, places, books, films, etc.

##### What do I have to do?

There are seven questions to answer.  
You match each question to one of the texts.



#### EXAM TIPS

- Underline the important words in the questions.
- Read the texts and find the information which matches the question exactly. The meaning will be the same, but the words will be different.
- Don't worry if you don't understand every word in the text.

**1** Look at the title of the article and read the questions. Then, read the article and find the answer to question 1. Underline the part of the text that gives you the answer.

**2** Now you try. Complete the Reading Part 2 task. Use the *Exam tips* to help you.

For each question, choose the correct answer.

|                                                                   | Sarah | Andrea | Trudi |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|--------|-------|
| 1 Who knows other people who live in homes like hers?             | A     | B      | C     |
| 2 Who says that she feels safe in her home?                       | A     | B      | C     |
| 3 Who is happy with the size of her home?                         | A     | B      | C     |
| 4 Who says that her house is bright?                              | A     | B      | C     |
| 5 Who says that guests enjoy spending the night in her home?      | A     | B      | C     |
| 6 Who needs a lift when she wants to visit friends?               | A     | B      | C     |
| 7 Who feels less comfortable when she is in other people's homes? | A     | B      | C     |



## THREE UNUSUAL HOMES



#### SARAH

My home is a houseboat on a river. My parents and I have lived here since I was four, and I can't remember living anywhere else. Lots of my friends live on houseboats too, so it feels normal to me. We haven't got much space, but we don't mind – it's enough for us. Visitors love staying here and are surprised by how comfortable it is. They always sleep really well and love being on the water.



#### ANDREA

My friends at school think my lighthouse home is very cool. I like it, but it's not easy living here. The rooms are round, so it's hard to fit furniture in, and they're not very big. Also, my parents have to drive me everywhere as we are so far from town. The sea is only about 10 metres away, so it gets very exciting when there is a storm. But the building is very strong, and I never feel afraid.



#### TRUDI

My dad built our house. It took him four years because he did most of it by himself. The sides and the top are covered with earth and grass, but the front of the house has big windows. Lots of light comes in and it's lovely and quiet. There's always lots of fresh air, too. When I am at my friends' houses, I often get too hot and want to open a window.

## LISTENING

- 1** Listen to the conversation between Ross and an assistant in the tourist information office. Match the people to the things they like.

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|-----------------------|-------|-----------------|
| 1 Ross's mum likes    | _____ | a football      |
| 2 Ross's sister likes | _____ | b music         |
| 3 Ross likes          | _____ | c art           |
| 4 Ross's dad likes    | _____ | d old buildings |

- 2** Listen again and choose the correct answers.

- 0 In Liverpool, there are two cathedrals / is one cathedral.
- 1 Ross likes the idea of the *long* / *short* boat trip.
- 2 You can visit Liverpool Football Club from 10.00 / 10.30 in the morning.
- 3 The woman says The Beatles were *fantastic* / *famous*.
- 4 Tate Liverpool has *modern art* / *art from every century*.
- 5 The assistant gives Ross information about *transport* / *theatres*.

## WRITING

### Description of a tourist attraction

- 1** Read the information about the Basilica Cistern. Then match the parts of the text A-E to the headings below.

- 1 Details about times and prices \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Where to go to learn more \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 What this place is \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Where it is \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Why you should go there \_\_\_\_\_

- 2** Write about an interesting tourist attraction that you know or would like to visit. Include the same information as the text in Exercise 1.

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| Hotels                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Places to visit | Restaurants | Things to do |
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| <p>If you go to Istanbul, one place you must visit is the Basilica Cistern. <b>(A)</b> It is a large area (9,800 m<sup>2</sup>) under the ground for keeping water. It is around 1,500 years old. <b>(B)</b> It is a great place to visit because it is so different to other tourist attractions. It also shows that there were some very good engineers and builders at that time. <b>(C)</b> It is open every day from 9.00 in the morning until 5.30 in the evening. Entrance costs 20 Turkish lira. <b>(D)</b> It is on Yerebatan Street in the centre of Istanbul. <b>(E)</b> You can get further information in English or Turkish on its website.</p> |                 |             |              |

