

## Task information

- In Part 2 there is a text with 12 gaps. There are no sets of words from which to choose.
- Part 2 mainly tests 'grammar words' like articles (e.g. *the, an*), auxiliary verbs (e.g. *will, has*), pronouns (e.g. *they, who*), prepositions (e.g. *on, during*), linking expressions (e.g. *despite*) and verb

forms (e.g. *would do*), as well as words in phrasal verbs (e.g. *set off*) and fixed phrases (e.g. *in favour of*).

- You must only use one word in each gap and your spelling must be correct.

## Useful language: relative pronouns and linking expressions

- 1 Questions in Part 2 sometimes focus on relative pronouns like *which*.

Complete these rules with the words in the box.

that when where which who whose

### Rules

In any kind of relative clause, we can use (1) ..... for people, (2) ..... for things, (3) ..... for possession, (4) ..... for time and (5) ..... for places. In a defining relative clause we can also use (6) ..... for people or things, e.g. *the girl (7) ..... sang really well; the tree (8) ..... grew so tall*.

- 2  Tick ✓ the sentences which are correct and replace the relative pronoun in those that are wrong. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

- 1 It's a huge city, when one can find a lot of different kinds of people.
- 2 The weather was hot except on the first day, that it was windy.
- 3 John wasn't sure if the person which he saw was his brother Mike.
- 4 I prefer to stay in the countryside, what I think is better.
- 5 There are some people whose aim in life is to earn as much money as possible.
- 6 I met an interesting boy there, Carlos, that is a good singer and is also handsome!
- 7 I gave the money to an organisation who helps poor children.
- 8 They invited me to a pop concert which took place in Rio last month.
- 9 So we went to Tetuan, that is a little city in the north of Morocco.
- 10 He's a man who's life story is the greatest book that has been written in the last 50 years.

- 3 Complete the text using relative pronouns.

Melanie Johnson, (1) ..... house is opposite mine, is my favourite neighbour. She's a warm and friendly person (2) ..... always likes to help other people. In the afternoon, (3) ..... I come home, she often waves and smiles to me from her front garden, (4) ..... she spends a lot of time in spring and summer. It has some lovely flowers, (5) ..... she planted herself, and last week she gave some to my mother, (6) ..... birthday was on Friday. She's always been generous like that. I remember years ago, (7) ..... I was about ten, she painted a picture for me (8) ..... was so lovely that I put it on my bedroom wall. It's still there.

**Tip!** You always have to fill in the gap in Part 2. The missing word can never be left out of the sentence.

- 4 Some questions in Part 2 test linking expressions like *although* or *unless*. Put the words and expressions in the box under the correct heading below.

|                         |                        |                |                    |
|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| although                | so                     | on account of  | and                |
| despite (the fact that) | due to (the fact that) | in order to    | <del>because</del> |
| provided (that)         | as well as             | <del>but</del> | (and) yet          |
| though                  | unless                 | in order that  | whereas            |
| if                      | as long as             | even so        | since              |
| in case                 | besides                | while          | owing to           |
| so as to                | even though            | <del>to</del>  | in spite of        |
| however                 | in addition to         | because of     |                    |

| reason         | contrast   | purpose   | addition   | conditional |
|----------------|------------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| <i>because</i> | <i>but</i> | <i>to</i> | <i>and</i> | <i>if</i>   |
| .....          | .....      | .....     | .....      | .....       |
| .....          | .....      | .....     | .....      | .....       |
| .....          | .....      | .....     | .....      | .....       |
| .....          | .....      | .....     | .....      | .....       |
| .....          | .....      | .....     | .....      | .....       |

- 5 In these sentences written by First Certificate candidates, circle the correct alternative in *italics*.

- The city is unhealthy *because/because of* the pollution in the air.
- Although/In spite of* these problems, would you still like to invite me next month?
- Unless/Besides* you live in a big town, there are no traffic jams.
- Please do not hesitate to contact me *if/in case* you need more detailed information.
- I think that people should use their bicycles *so/so as to* reduce traffic.
- I hope you will stay at our house *in order/in order that* you can visit our country.
- The green hills and valleys need protecting *because/owing to* many people are building modern houses.
- The other staff patiently explained the job to me *even though/even so* they were very busy themselves.
- Since/As long as* I love swimming and your club seems to be suitable, I would like to join it.
- There are many ways of getting to school *in case/if* you study far away from your neighbourhood.

- 6 Complete the text with words from Exercise 4. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

It was getting late by the time Sam and Marco approached the summit, on (1) *account* of the terrible weather on their way up. In (2) ..... to high winds that nearly swept them right off the mountain, they faced freezing temperatures and heavy snowfalls. And (3) ..... neither of them had any thoughts of giving up. In (4) ..... of the awful conditions they were determined to keep climbing even (5) ..... every step was now a huge effort, (6) ..... to the fact they were so high up and the air was so thin. As (7) ..... as that, Marco was feeling quite ill, probably (8) ..... of the height and a lack of food. But they knew that (9) ..... reach the top they couldn't stop for anything, even meals. They also knew that (10) ..... they got there this time, they would probably never have another chance to try. And Sam was sure that as (11) ..... as they could begin going down by three o'clock, they would make it safely back to base camp tonight – (12) ..... they would both be very, very tired.

**Tip!** Answers are never hyphenated words such as *old-fashioned*.