

## Reading Comprehension Test

PART 2  ReadingMUSIC FESTIVALS  
AROUND THE WORLD

## 1. Read the following text.

Visiting a festival abroad can be a great reason to travel and a way to experience different cultures.

These days there is such a wide range of choice that it's possible to spend the whole of the summer listening to live music in exciting locations. It can often be cheaper to go to a different country and, of course, it's a chance to meet people from across the world.

**Melt! Festival, Ferropolis, Germany**

This unique festival takes place on the site of an open air museum for industrial machinery. It's also surrounded by a lake which can be used for swimming when it's hot. Around 90% of festival goers are German, providing a perfect opportunity to practise speaking the language.

<sup>10</sup> **Exit Festival, Serbia**

Located on the banks of the Danube in an old fortress, the festival began as a protest against the government. These days it's less political but still has a strong social conscience. There are stages devoted to electronic, world, dance and hard rock music, providing something for everyone to enjoy.

**Belladrum Tartan Heart Festival, Scotland**

<sup>15</sup> Set on a remote Scottish estate near Inverness, there's a decidedly Celtic flavour to this festival with lots of smaller folk stages. The highlight of the weekend is the massive Ceilidh (traditional Scottish dance and party), which is always a lively event.

<http://learnenglishteens.britishcouncil.org> (accessed in July 2018)

**A. Match the names of the festivals with the activities you can do in each one. Not all apply. Write your answers in the box below. Use letters only. Ex: a) b) c).** (80p)

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| 1. Melt! Festival                  | a) listen to different types of music. |
| 2. Exit Festival                   | b) visit different folk stages.        |
| 3. Belladrum Tartan Heart Festival | c) speak a foreign language.           |
|                                    | d) dance traditional folk dances.      |
|                                    | e) spend time in an old building.      |
|                                    | f) go for a swim.                      |
|                                    | h) participate in a party.             |
|                                    | i) make friends for life.              |

| Answers:        | Melt! Festival | Exit Festival | Belladrum Tartan Heart Festival |
|-----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| (Letters only.) |                |               |                                 |

**B. Find a synonym for these words in the first paragraph of the text. (5 x 8p = 40p)**

1. in a foreign country \_\_\_\_\_
2. amazing \_\_\_\_\_
3. places \_\_\_\_\_
4. opportunity \_\_\_\_\_
5. all over the world \_\_\_\_\_

**C. Choose the correct option to complete the sentences. (4 x 20p = 80p)**

1. The advantages of going to music festivals abroad include:
  - a) Travelling, experiencing different cultures and speaking foreign languages.
  - b) Travelling, experiencing different cultures and meeting people from all over the world.
  - c) Travelling, experiencing different cultures and protesting against the government.
2. It is quite easy to practice German at the Melt! Festival because...
  - a) people only speak German in that place.
  - b) the bands and the singers are all German.
  - c) most of the participants are German.
3. In the Exit Festival people can we listen to ..... different types of music on the different stages.
  - a) 5
  - b) 4
  - c) 3
4. At the Belladrum Tartan Heart Festival the most important event is...
  - a) the Ceilidh.
  - b) Inverness.
  - c) the Celtic flavor.

**Good Work!**