

PET READING TEST

PART 1. Choose the correct answer.

Tony,

The bookshop phoned to say they've got the book you ordered. They will keep it until Friday and then it will go out on the shelves.

Mum

- A. The bookshop will get Tony's book on Friday.
- B. Tony needs to collect the book he asked for, by Friday.
- C. The book is being delivered to Tony's house on Friday.

Customer Notice

The store will close at 4pm on Wednesday for a staff meeting.

WE START OPERATING NORMALLY AGAIN, 9-5, ON THURSDAY.

- A. The store will open later than normal on Wednesday.
- B. The store usually closes at 5pm, except Wednesdays.
- C. On Wednesday, the store will be closed an hour earlier than usual.

Students should return off books by the due back date.

There will be a fine of €5 for books delivered late. Books may be renewed over the telephone only if they have not been reserved by someone else.

Students are informed that

- A. if they wish to renew a book they can only do so by telephone.
- B. if anyone wants to borrow a book, they must reserve it in advance.
- C. it is essential that all books be taken back on time.

Please leave any parcels with number 24, Monday to Friday.

No junk mail.



- A. All post should be taken to number 24 on weekdays.
- B. You are not allowed to post any junk mail here.
- C. No mail is accepted at weekends from apartment 24.

To: Mick
From: Sharon
Re: lecture notes

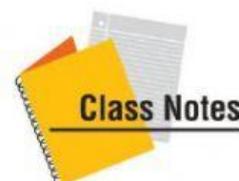
Hi Mick,

Can you e-mail me the history notes from Monday afternoon's lecture?

I had a temperature and missed it. See you at the theatre,

Sharon

- A. Sharon was too ill to attend the history lecture.
- B. It was too hot for Sharon to go to the history lecture.
- C. Sharon went to the theatre instead of the lecture.



PART 2. The people below all want to do a part-time course at college. There are eight reviews. Decide which course would be the most suitable for each person below.

College Courses

A. Chess for beginners

A great pastime for all ages. Come and exercise your mind and I make new friends at the same time. Learn from an ex-British chess champion who has played against some of the greatest players. Classes every Monday evening from 7-9 p.m., or Wednesday morning 9.30-11.30 a.m.

B. Basketball (for men and women)

Come and have a great workout as well as a lot of fun. We offer beginners and advanced classes. Experienced instructors. Join the team and take part in weekend league competitions. Transport provided, free of charge, to games. Tues/Thurs evening 7-9 p.m. League matches, Sunday afternoons.

C. Gardening

Make your garden a paradise to be proud of. In this course you will not only learn how to grow plants but you will also learn which plants go well together, both aesthetically and naturally. You can then create the 'perfect garden'. All your neighbours will be jealous of your new garden!
Mon and Fri 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

D. Fine Art

This course will give you a taste of drawing, painting, sculpture and even pottery. You will be given basic guidance and then encouraged to develop your own ideas and creative skills. All materials are provided as part of the course. Tues and Friday mornings 10 a.m. - 1p.m.

E. Becoming a Teaching Assistant

This course will prepare you for many aspects of life in the classroom. You will learn about teaching basic reading, writing and mathematics at primary level; that is ages 4 to 11. You will get to spend some mornings in a local primary school, working with experienced teachers. This is an excellent choice for those who want to become qualified teachers in the future.

F. Basic car maintenance

Learn how to fix small problems on your car. Basics, such as checking the oil and changing a tyre, are all covered. You will also learn how to detect potential problems. Make your car safer and save yourself money by doing this highly practical course. Weds and Fri afternoons 3-6 p.m.

G. Basic Computing

This course starts at two levels. The first is for absolute beginners who have never used a computer, and the second level is for people who have a very basic knowledge of computers but want to develop their skills for home, study or work reasons. Monday and Wednesday evenings 7-10 p.m.

H. Creative Writing

Find the poet or novelist hidden deep inside you. In this course you will be taught by a published poet and a published author. They will offer you guidelines on how to improve and develop your writing skills as well as tips on how to approach publishers or agents. Only for serious professionals. Mon, Weds, Thurs afternoons 2-5 p.m.

Jack is eighteen. He works in a supermarket but he'd really like to get a job in a bank. He'd like to do a course that will help him get a better job.

Cathy is a police officer. She would like to do something relaxing that will take her mind off her work. She would enjoy doing something creative but without having to use her brain too much.

Daniel is 36 years old. He spends all day sitting at a computer and is putting on a lot of weight. He'd like to do something to help him lose weight and also sociable in order to meet people.

Debbie has two children who have just started school. She regrets not going to college and hopes to get a job when her children are older. She would like to work with children.

Rupert is 68 years old. He has retired but he used to be an architect. He has just bought a cottage in the countryside which he is slowly renovating because it is in bad condition.



PART 3. For each question, write the correct answer. Write ONE word for each gap.

Things to do in London

London has to be one of the most exciting cities in the world, and probably one of the most expensive. However, you don't have to follow _____ usual tourist route. The museums and galleries are interesting of course, but the city has a lot more to offer to those who want to see _____ Londoners live. This way, you'll both save some money and you can have a more rewarding experience.

One of the biggest trends in London _____ going to street markets, where you can find a real variety of interesting things to buy. Portobello Road is probably the most famous, but there are many more to explore.

Over the past few years, an interesting development has been seen in food street markets, _____ you can find amazing tastes and great quality food, for a small amount of the price you would pay at a London restaurant. This seems to _____ the future of food and, if you think about it, it is an exciting one. You no longer _____ to pay a lot of money to eat well!



PART 4. For each question, choose the correct answer.

My first safari

I had spent all night on a flight to Africa and I must admit I felt exhausted once I landed. The only thing that made me feel better was a smiling, tanned pilot who took us quickly through Customs. Life suddenly became a lot better when I realised that we wouldn't have to wait at all to catch our next flight. We were just about to board a much smaller plane this time, for our first African safari.

When you are on a short break every hour matters, so the fact that we were short-cutting the queues at Customs meant that we could be heading off to the countryside much sooner than anyone had expected.

Our second flight, the one from Nairobi, lasted less than an hour; but was the most fascinating one I had ever been on. It took us out of the city until we reached Mount Kenya. There the view suddenly changed. Our pilot started flying lower, pointing out to the elephants, giraffes, gazelles and even rhinos as they ran beneath us. We did several rounds before reaching our final destination, Loisaba Lodge, where we landed.

Loisaba Wilderness is about 150 sq km; privately-managed wildlife area of land kept in its natural state, especially for wild animals to live in and be protected. It is much larger than many of Kenya's parks and a safe place for more than 250 species of birds and 50 species of mammals, including elephants. The wildlife here, unlike in the game parks, is still wild, and so, far more exciting to see than bored lions lying in front of tourists.

We were soon taken to our rooms, located high up on a hill. From each of the seven rooms guests can walk out on to their private balcony to enjoy the wildly dramatic view - 61,000 acres of savannah and rocky area lie beneath you. A bit further away, you can observe, what I believe was the highlight of the visit, a watering hole, always drawing in animals for a drink. I'm telling you, it's just breathtaking; one cannot visit this place only once in their lifetime.

1. When Jeremy arrived in Africa

- A. he was quite excited about his trip.
- B. he was too tired after the long flight .
- C. he felt anxious about what was going to happen next.
- D. he needed to get a good sleep as it was the middle of the night.

2. Why was Jeremy so pleased to be met by the pilot?

- A. Because he wanted to make the most of his time on holiday.
- B. Because he thought the pilot might not meet him.
- C. Because he expected the pilot to be unfriendly.
- D. Because he did not know where to go.

3. What does Jeremy say about the flight from Nairobi?

- A. It was far too long.
- B. The pilot flew in a dangerous way.
- C. They were followed by a smaller plane.
- D. It offered many impressive views.

4. What does Jeremy suggest about Loisaba?

- A. It is still a safe and natural environment for animals .
- B. Tourists are no longer allowed there.
- C. Many of the animals are being hunted.
- D. The wild animals often attack people.



5. Which of the following might Jeremy write about his experience?

"I am really concerned about the wild animals in Africa as they are facing great dangers. We should take measures."

"Visiting Africa does not differ much from a day trip to the zoo. The conditions and animal facilities are almost the same."



"It was thrilling to get a taste of natural Africa. It has been without a doubt an unforgettable experience."

"Unfortunately tourists are once again taking over beautiful Africa. They are ruining the landscape and threatening the animals' survival."

PART 6. For each question, choose the correct answer.

Working as cabin crew

If you had asked Ann a few years ago what she would be doing in five years' time, she wouldn't have believed you if you had suggested she would be a cabin crew member. When she told her friends that she had _____ for such a job, most of them laughed.

However, after successfully _____ her four-week cabin crew training _____, the only person laughing now is Ann! Like many cabin crew, Ann is expected to work at any time of the day on any day of the year, and sometimes she has to work up to 12 hours a day. So the days can be long and the work tiring, but Ann is enjoying the unique and _____ lifestyle that being cabin crew brings.

Ann can enjoy a _____ of up to 17,000 pounds (or 20,000 pounds when she becomes a senior cabin crew member) and 36 days off per year. If you would like to _____ in Ann's footsteps, and work as cabin crew, it seems you simply have to get ready for a life of adventure. Most people would say it's worth it!

1. A. applied B. hired C. requested D. employed
2. A. believing B. starting C. completing D. working
3. A. education B. lesson C. course D. subject
4. A. confused B. challenging C. anxious D. unreliable
5. A. fee B. saving C. bill D. salary
6. A. be B. go C. run D. follow

