

## MID FIRST TERM TEST

### PRE IB

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Read the text and questions below.

For each question, mark the correct letter A, B, C or D.

#### WHAT MAKES YOU SPECIAL?

Everybody likes to feel that she or he is special. Sadly, many of us grow up believing that we're not special at all. We wish that we could be more attractive or better at sports. We wish we had more money or nicer clothes. Like the Tin Man, the Scarecrow, or the Cowardly Lion from The Wizard of Oz, we think we're not good enough just as we are. In the film, The Tin Man wishes he had a heart.

The Scarecrow wishes that he had a brain, and the Lion wants courage. Eventually, each of them realizes that he already has what he wants. Nearly all parents want us to be the best we can be. They occasionally attempt to encourage us to do better by comparing us to others. They mean well, but the message we usually get is that we're not good enough. We start to believe that the only way we can be special is by being better than somebody else, but we are frequently disappointed.

There will always be somebody out there that is better than we are at something. There are a lot of people around who may not be as intelligent as we are but who are better at sports. Or they may not be as handsome, but they have more money. It is unthinkable for us to be better than everybody else all the time. Like the Tin Man, the Scarecrow, and the Cowardly Lion, we all need what we believe will make us better people. What we don't understand is that often we already have inside us the very things that we look for.

Our parents often forget to tell us that we are special, that we are good enough just as we are. Perhaps no one told them when they were growing up, or maybe they just forgot. Either way, it's up to us to remind them sometimes that each of us, in our own way, is special. What we are . . . is enough.

1. What is the writer's main aim in writing the text?

- A. to talk about your family problems
- B. to explain the importance of being yourself
- C. to describe how intelligent we are

2. This essay was most likely written by ...

- A. a young person
- B. a coach
- C. a teacher

3. What does the writer say about our parents?
- A. They always tell us that we are good enough
  - B. They never forget to tell us that we are special
  - C. They always tell us that we are special
  - D. They frequently forget to tell us that we are special
4. The author of this essay believes that ...
- A. we are all good enough just the way we are
  - B. the richer you are, the better you are
  - C. intelligent people are more special than others
5. Which of the following would be the best title for this passage?
- A. What Makes You Laugh?
  - B. What Makes You Happy?
  - C. What Makes You Special?

## PART 2

The people below all enjoy music.

Decide which place would be the most suitable for the following people.

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Joe's interested in classical music and wants to talk to professional musicians about their work. He'd like to find out more about classical instruments, and actually play some music.

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Will wants to learn to play some of his favourite band's songs, and to know how his favourite singers create their own special sound. He'd like to try out some different instruments.

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Jess loves watching spectacular concerts with fantastic dancers, and wants to feel some of the atmosphere of a big musical event. She'd like to see performances by famous people she's heard about.

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James likes exploring the personal backgrounds of his favourite bands, and also the stories behind their well-known songs. He has his own band, and wants some advice about performing live on stage.

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Zoe likes listening to all sorts of pop music, and wants a fun way to learn various dance styles. She'd like to bring something home to show her friends what she's learnt during her visit.

### Musical experiences

A

#### The Core

This is the place for musical history. You'll learn where your favourite singers and musicians grew up and discover the processes involved in writing famous songs and producing the videos. Find out about their journey to fame, and get some tips on what makes a good concert! There's all you ever wanted to know about famous musicians!

B

#### Rhythm-Studio

Get your body moving in the studio and learn to move to rhythms and sounds from the past to now, including Soul and Disco. Learn your steps from our professional onscreen dance instructor, then watch your performance and become the star in your own video recording which you can take away!

C

#### WorldScene

For one month only, experience the amazing sights and sounds of the WorldScene band, a large international group of traditional musicians and dancers. You'll experience music and dance styles never heard or seen before in this country. Book a ticket to meet the musicians, talk about their experiences and get some new ideas!

D

#### Universe of Sound

Create your own musical experience - record yourself making music with a huge orchestra as they play on the video background screen - you can even download it to disc to take home! You can also learn about violins, flutes, trumpets and many more with our computer demonstrations, and meet real musicians who are present every day.



## **E ArchivedImages**

Want to find out about a new band, or just want more information about an old favourite? Visit our collection to find out facts and figures, or see the actual possessions of famous bands and musicians you are interested in. You can actually get to touch things worn on stage at major rock and pop events, and there are plenty of other concert souvenirs

## **G Rave-on!**

How about learning new skills on the guitar, drums and keyboard by video? Follow the touch-screen instructions to find lessons on each instrument, or search for a song to practise playing along to. Try our Professional Selection, with video clips of band members who will explain the techniques that make their recordings so individual.

## **F Finale**

Imagine being in the crowd for amazing performances from the past. Enjoy 3D life-size videos from the stars of yesterday and today. You can experience the excitement of a created some of the most exciting music ever known.

## **H Show-in-a-day!**

Be a star singer or dancer for the day in a one-time-only special performance! Experts in international music and dance styles will train you, and costumes provided for the performance help create a really special, individual show. Get your friends and family to come and see you perform, as no videoing or photography is allowed.