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ENGLISH LANGUAGE EXAMINATIONS

JUNE 2021

FIRST STEP | PRE-A1 | **A1** | A2

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LANGUAGE ATTAINMENT ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

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INSTRUCTIONS

- **Do not open this booklet until the exam starts.**
- **The order of the exam papers is:**

PART A **LISTENING**

PART B **READING & USAGE**

PART C **WRITING**

- **Time allowed for all three parts: 90 minutes**

LIVEWORKSHEETS

PART A LISTENING

POINTS: 25 **TIME: APPROXIMATELY 20 MINUTES**

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

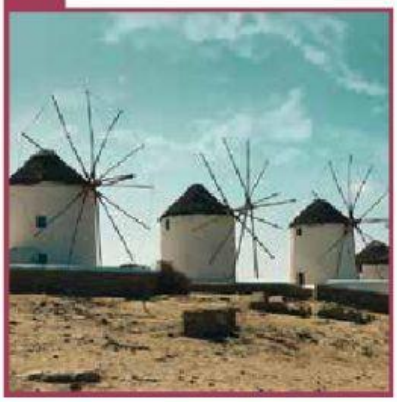
- As you listen to the recording, mark your answers in this booklet.
- Answer all the questions. Give only one answer for each question.
- After the end of the recording, you will have 3 minutes to transfer your answers onto your Answer Sheet. Mark them in 2H or HB pencil.

EXERCISE 1
Numbers: 1 - 8

Greek Islands

EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Write the letter of a picture, A to F, in each of the spaces, 1 to 8. You will use some letters more than once.

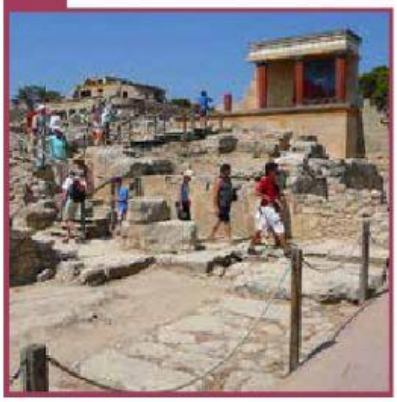
A



B



C



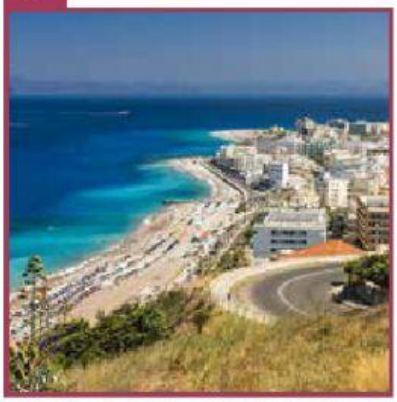
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E



F



1. ☐ | 2. ☐ | 3. ☐ | 4. ☐ | 5. ☐ | 6. ☐ | 7. ☐ | 8. ☐

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EXERCISE **2**
Numbers: 9 - 15

Do you like online classes?

EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Choose the correct word or phrase to complete each statement, 9 to 15. Circle its letter, A, B or C.





9. Mr. Manos is calling about classes ____.
   A. at the school building
   B. on Natasha's computer at home
   C. at a place for ill people

10. Natasha says classes on the computer ____.
   A. make her tired
   B. are never boring
   C. are good for her eyes

11. Mr. Manos tells Natasha to ____ to rest her eyes.
   A. close her eyes
   B. look at the computer
   C. look away often

12. Mr. Manos thinks two hours is ____ to sit at the computer.
   A. too long
   B. about the right time
   C. not enough time

13. Natasha wants to see ____ during her lessons on the computer.
   A. her family
   B. other kids in her class
   C. her teacher's face

14. Mr. Manos says ____ teachers want to give good lessons to their students.
   A. all of the
   B. only a few
   C. none of the

15. Natasha ____ go to Miss Harper's class on computer the next day.
   A. will
   B. won't be able to
   C. doesn't want to



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PART B READING & USAGE

POINTS: 50 **TIME: 40 MINUTES ARE ADVISED**

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- **You are advised to spend about 40 minutes on this part of the test.**
- **You may mark your answers on this booklet while you are working on them.**
- **Answer all the questions. Give only one answer for each question.**

EXERCISE 1
Numbers: 16 - 25

New homes can be good

EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Read the text. Then do the exercise on page 5 by choosing the correct word, phrase or picture to fill each gap. Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.



Ahmed and his family have a new home in Greece. They came from a town in Syria. It was a long, dangerous trip. They lost their car and had to walk for many days. Then they crossed the Aegean Sea in a boat. After that, they lived in a tent for ten months. In the winter, it was cold and wet. Ahmed was sad. He wanted to go school and see his old friends.

This spring, his family moved into a flat in the city. It's quite small, but Ahmed and his little brother, Wazi, have their own room. And better, the flat is warm! Ahmed also started school again. He has a few new friends. They live in his neighbourhood and they all play football together after school. Ahmed is happier now. His life is finally getting better again.



Nick and his brother, Jimmy, have a new home. Their family lived in a flat in the city for a long time. Nick loved it there. He had lots of friends in his neighbourhood, and they all played football after school and computer games at the weekend. His parents worked in a restaurant, but last winter it closed and they lost their jobs. So, they moved to his father's village near the city of Volos. They had a house there and some fields. Nick took his laptop to play games. He also emailed his old friends.

In the spring, his father bought some goats and chickens. He sells the milk and eggs to supermarkets. Nick helps his dad on their little farm. These days, he doesn't have much time for email and computer games. But, he likes nature and the animals. He's also happy his family has work. He'll make new friends in the village when school starts in the autumn.

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16. Ahmed and his family came from a ____ .
A. Greek city **B.** town in Syria **C.** place with no cars

17. Ahmed's trip was ____ .
A. short and easy **B.** long and difficult **C.** like a holiday

18. Ahmed is happier now, because his new home is not ____ .
A. very small **B.** in the city **C.** cold and wet

19. Ahmed plays football now with ____ .
A. Wazi **B.** his friends **C.** the school team

20. In his old home in the city, Nick ____ .
A. was very happy **B.** didn't have many friends **C.** wrote a lot of emails

21. Nick's new home is ____ another city.
A. far away from **B.** not far from **C.** in the middle of

22. To make money for the family, Nick's father bought ____ .
A. a restaurant **B.** a new laptop **C.** some animals

23. Now, Nick doesn't have much time to ____ .
A. help on the farm **B.** be out in nature **C.** play computer games

24. Picture ____ shows Ahmed's new home.

A



B



C



25. Picture ____ shows Nick's new home.

A



B



C



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EXERCISE 2
Numbers: 26 - 30

Advert in the newspaper

EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Choose the correct word to fill each gap.
Mark its letter, A to F, on your Answer Sheet. You will use only five of the letters.

Do you need new **[26]** ____ for the summer?



Call and **[27]** ____ a pair or two from Dress-U!

We have many different **[28]** ____ and colours for girls and boys!

The Post Office will **[29]** ____ them to your home.

If the **[30]** ____ is too big or small, we'll send you another pair.

A. size
B. sell
C. order
D. shorts
E. kinds
F. bring

EXERCISE 3
Numbers: 31 - 35

Bird zoo for a cat?

EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Choose the correct word or phrase to fill each gap.
Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.

Three birds visit the little balcony **[31]** ____ our living room. The same three birds come every day. Two of them are all grey. **[32]** ____ third one is grey with black and white on its wings. **[33]** ____ afternoon, at 5 o'clock, my brother and I feed the birds. We give **[34]** ____ little pieces of old bread. Then the cat comes and sits in front of the window. She can't get out, so she sits inside and **[35]** ____ the birds. Is this a Bird Zoo for cats? Maybe! The cat thinks so!



31.	**A.** outside	**B.** between	**C.** about
32.	**A.** An	**B.** The	**C.** All
33.	**A.** Every	**B.** None	**C.** Some
34.	**A.** it	**B.** they	**C.** them
35.	**A.** has watched	**B.** was watching	**C.** watches

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EXERCISE 4
Numbers: 36 - 40

Winter, spring, summer

EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Here are some pictures of people. Choose a picture to match each statement. Mark its letter, A to D, on your Answer Sheet. You will use one letter more than once.

A



B



C



D



36. ___ This winter, we had to wear masks at school.

37. ___ We learned how to wash our hands, every day, a lot!

38. ___ The boat ride was fun, and, now, here I am!

39. ___ On May Day, we went out and picked flowers.

40. ___ This suitcase is really heavy! I'm so happy I'm finally here!

EXERCISE 5
Numbers: 41 - 45

Jane's birthday party

EXERCISE INSTRUCTIONS: Read the text. Then say if each statement is true or not. Mark A for True or B for False on your Answer Sheet.

The 30th of April was Jane's birthday, so she had a party with her five best friends. The party was outside, at the beach. It was still a bit too cold to go swimming, so one friend, Maria, brought her CD player. It was old but loud, and the friends danced to all their favourite rock music. Then, they ate the picnic lunch Jane's mum had made. They had tasty cheese sandwiches and Greek salad. Jane's friend, John, brought soft drinks for everyone from his dad's kiosk. After lunch, they walked on the beach and talked about the past year and the future.

41. ___ Jane had the party at her house.

42. ___ Jane and her friends went swimming before lunch.

43. ___ Jane's mum prepared their lunch.

44. ___ One friend brought something for everyone to drink.

45. ___ All Jane's best friends were girls.



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PART C WRITING

POINTS: 25 **TIME: 30 MINUTES ARE ADVISED**

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- You are advised to spend about 30 minutes on this part of the test.
- You may use a blank sheet of paper as a draft.
- Write your task in the space provided on the back of your Answer Sheet in pencil or pen.

You have ONE writing task to do.
Choose either Topic A or Topic B.
Write your task in about 60-80 words on your Answer Sheet.

CHOICE OF TOPIC A — What do you do after schoolwork?

INSTRUCTIONS:
Write an email to a friend of yours and talk about your life after schoolwork.
In about 60-80 words, answer the following:

- Are your lessons at school or on your computer?
- What do you do after your lessons?
- Do you want to do anything different?

Begin like this: Dear...

Look at the pictures to get some ideas or use any of your own.



go out / friend



clean / house

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CHOICE OF
TOPIC B

Your day of fun didn't go well

INSTRUCTIONS:
Write an email to a friend of yours and tell him/her what went wrong.
In about 60-80 words, answer the following:

- What did you want to do?
- Who did you go with?
- What happened?
- What did you do then?

Begin like this: Dear...

Look at the pictures to get some ideas or use any of your own.



games room / games / not work



go cycling / start / rain

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