

MINITEST 2 –GRADE 9

Student's name:..... Class :

READING

I. Read the text then answer the questions.

London Underground is a public transport system connecting central London and the surrounding areas. Local people often called the system by its nickname, the Tube, because of the shape of the underground tunnel. Built in 1863, it's the oldest underground transport system in the world. Consisting of only a few lines and a handful of stations in early 1900s, London Underground nowadays makes up 270 stations and 11 lines. The total length of more than 400 kilometres makes London Underground the third longest metro system in the world. Despite the name, only 45 percent of the rail line is below the ground. London Underground is a cheap and convenient way to get around London. It's estimated that there are 4.8 million passengers using the system to get to work or go to school each day.

* Questions:

1. What does London Underground connect?

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2. What do local people often call London underground system?

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3. What is the total length of London Underground?

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4. How many passengers use the metro system to get to work or go to school each day?

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II. Read the passage and circle the best answer A, B, C or D.

Every child in Great Britain between the age of five and fifteen must (1)_____ school. There are three main types of educational institutions: primary (elementary) schools, secondary schools, and universities. State schools are free, and attendance is (2)_____. Morning school begins at nine o'clock and (3)_____ until half past four. School is open five days a week. On Saturdays and Sundays there are (4)_____ lessons. There are holidays at Christmas, Easter and in summer. In London as in all cities there are two grades of state schools for (5)_____ who will go to work at fifteen: primary schools for boys and girls between the ages of five and eleven, and secondary schools for children from eleven to fifteen years. The lessons are: reading, writing, the English language, English literature, English history, geography, science, (6)_____ study, drawing, painting, singing, woodwork and drill (physical training).

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| 1. a. attend | b. present | c. visit | d. leave |
| 2. a. free | b. compulsory | c. regular | d. important |
| 3. a. ends | b. finishes | c. lasts | d. passes |
| 4. a. some | b. none | c. not | d. no |
| 5. a. this | b. these | c. that | d. those |
| 6. a. nature | b. natural | c. naturalized | d. natured |

WRITING

I. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence using the word given.

1. This is the most luxurious hotel in this city.

→ This hotel is _____. (MORE)

2. This international conference is extremely important. Make a note in your diary.

→ This international conference is extremely important. _____ in your diary. (PUT)

II. Write complete sentences, using the words/phrases given in their correct form. You can add some more necessary words, but you have to use all the words given.

1. It/locate/along/Cầu River/about/60/kilometre/Hà Nội.

2. In/past/village potter/mainly/produced/article/everyday/life.

3. Recently/young/artisan/opt/produce/artistic ceramics.

III. You have a pen pal in the UK. She wants to know about a tourist attraction in your area.

Now write a short email (100 - 120 words) to tell her about it. You should mention:

- Its name
- Its location
- Its special features
- Some activities you can do there

Dear Sophia,

[illegible]

LISTENING

I. Listen to a conversation between a journalist and Kate. Fill each of the gaps with no more than two words. You will listen TWICE.

Kate is living in Melbourne. She feels proud when it became the most liveable city in (1) _____. According to her, there are many recreational facilities, and the transport system is very (2) _____. There are also many cultural (3) _____ in a year, which makes her feel great. However, Kate doesn't like the (4) _____ because it is so changeable and may become extreme. Kate suggests young people stay in Melbourne because of its educational (5) _____ and fantastic nightlife.

II. Listen to a telephone conversation between two friends about their trip to a craft village. Fill each of the gaps in the notes with no more than TWO words or a number. You will listen TWICE.

A trip to Chuông Village

Famous for making conical hats

Location: Phuong Trung Commune, Thanh Oai (1)

Distance: (2) kilometres from Ha Noi centre

Activities: learning to make (3) ; going around the village

Means of transport: by (4) _____

Date: (5) , Sunday