

ENGLISH READING PRACTICE TEST 5
LEVELS 1-3

PART 1. Look at the text in each question. What does it say? Mark the correct letter A, B, C on your answer sheet.

Questions 1-5

1

Ten Percent Off Tickets
Booked Today

- A. There are only ten tickets left.
- B. Tickets reserved today are cheaper.
- C. Buy ten tickets and get one free.

2

Book now 
for Christmas.
Don't leave it too late.

- A. Make your reservation for Christmas soon.
- B. If you start this book now you will finish at Christmas.
- C. It is too late now to buy a book for Christmas.

3

*Dear Emma,
Wish you were here! The
weather is perfect for skiing.
Nothing broken so far!
See you next week
Olivia,*

Olivia...

- A. wishes she was at home.
- B. has had a skiing accident.
- C. is enjoy her skiing holiday.

4

ART ROOM

**No classes here for students
until further notice –workmen
are painting the room**

- A. See the noticeboard nearby for details about the art classes.
- B. Students should only go into this room if they wish to do some painting.
- C. Classes will not be held in here until the painting is finish.

5

**THIS CAR PARK IS
LOCKED AFTER
BUSINESS HOURS
EACH DAY**

- A. Users must lock the car park after leaving.
- B. People can park here while they are at work.
- C. This car park is for employees only.

PART 2:

PART 2. Read the passage below and fill in each blank with one suitable word.

Questions 6-15

STARTING A BUSINESS

Nearly 450,000 businesses are started in Britain every year. One third of these stops (6)_____ during the first three years. Starting a business is never easy (7)_____ so many things are outside your control. If you are thinking about working for yourself, you (8) _____ start by thinking about the qualities you need to (9)_____ a business . Be hard (10)_____ yourself. If you have a weakness, it is better to find out now (11)_____ than later when your business could be in danger. Ask yourself whether you are a good organizer. Is your health business could be in danger. Ask yourself whether you are a good organizer. Is your health (12)_____? Are you good (13) _____ making decisions? Do you have any practical experience of the business you want to start? Are you prepared to work long hours for very (14)_____ money? If you can't (15) _____ yes to most of these, perhaps you should think again about starting up in business on your own.

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| 6. A. trade | B. trading | C. to trade | D. traded |
| 7. A. however | B. but | C. because | D. although |
| 8. A. have | B. ought | C. need | D. must |
| 9. A. run | B. make | C. get | D. set |
| 10. A. about | B. on | C. with | D. to |
| 11. A. more | B. rather | C. earlier | D. quicker |
| 12. A. fine | B. firm | C. well | D. good |
| 13. A. at | B. for | C. in | D. with |
| 14. A. short | B. little | C. low | D. few |
| 15. A. give | B. report | C. answer | D. put |

PART 3:

Down the rabbit hole

Alice was beginning to get very tired of sitting by her sister on the river bank, and of having nothing to do. Once or twice she looked into the book her sister was reading, but it had no pictures or conversations in it. "What is the use of a book without pictures or conversations?", thought Alice.

So she was considering (as well as she could because the hot day made her feel very sleepy and stupid), whether the pleasure of making a daisy chain would be worth the trouble of getting up and picking the daisies. Suddenly a white rabbit with pink eyes ran close by her. There was nothing so very remarkable in that, nor did Alice think it very much out of the way to hear the rabbit say to itself "Oh dear! Oh dear! I shall be too late!" (When she thought about it afterward, it occurred to her she ought to have wondered about this, but at that the time it all seemed quite natural). But when the rabbit actually took a watch out of its pocket and looked at it, Alice realised she had never before seen a rabbit with either pocket, or a watch to take out of it.

She ran across the field after the rabbit, and was just in time to see it pop down a large rabbit-hole under the hedge. In another moment, down went Alice; never once considering how in the world she was to get out again.

1. At the start of the story Alice was bored.
2. Alice and her sister were reading books.
3. Alice was probably younger than her sister.
4. The girls were out in the country.
5. Alice was very surprised to see a rabbit talking to itself.
6. The heat was making Alice want to go to sleep.
7. The rabbit was in a hurry.
8. The rabbit was wearing a wristwatch.
9. The rabbit hole was in the field.
10. Alice did not think properly about what she was doing.

PART 3:**TOUR SCHEDULE**

6:00 a.m.	▪ Get on bus in front of the Fairmont Hotel
7:15 a.m.	▪ Arrive in the city center
7:30 – 8:30	▪ Eat a traditional local breakfast prepared specially for our tour group by Fairmont's world-famous chefs
9:00 – 11:30	▪ Morning sightseeing includes stops at the Sarantis Art Museum, Herrera Street Craft Shops, and the Carolyn Botanical Gardens
12:00 – 1:00	▪ Buffet lunch at La Galleria de Niso
1:00 – 5:00	▪ Afternoon sightseeing includes more shopping and a tour of local clay-making workshops
5:15 p.m.	▪ Return to the bus
6:30 p.m.	▪ Arrive back at the Fairmont Hotel parking lot

26. How long is the bus ride to the city?

A. One fifteen

B. One hour and fifteen minutes

C. Six o'clock

D. Seven hours and fifteen minutes

27. Where will they eat breakfast?

A. In the morning

B. On the bus

C. In the city

D. At a workshop

28. When will they go sightseeing?

A. In the morning and in the afternoon

B. In the afternoon and in the evening

C. In the morning and at night

D. In the afternoon and at night

29. How long will this tour last?

A. Two day

B. Six hours

C. 6:30 p.m.

D. Twelve and a half hour

Rose Cottage
Northfleet
26 March

To: Weston University Library

My teacher, Robin Gibson, has told me to read Understanding Science before my exam on 17th April. I am on holiday in Northfleet at the moment but I'll return to my home at 22 King's Road, Weston on 9th April. I'd like to get the book the next day and keep it for one week. It's by S J Renshaw. Thank you.

Mary Jones

Weston University Library Reservation Form

Name of book: Understanding Science

Name of writer: 30.

When do you want the book? 31.

For how long? 32.

Student's name: 33.

Student's address: 34.

30. A. Mary Jones

B. Robin Gibson

C. S J Renshaw

31. A. 17th April

B. 9th April

C. 10th April

32. A. 7 days

B. 1 days

C. 10 days

33. A. Robin Gibson

B. Mary Jones

C. Northfleet

34. A. Rose Cottage, Northfleet

B. 22 King's Road, Weston

C. 22 King's Road

Questions 35-40

THE OLYMPIC GAMES

The Olympic Games is an event with many sports. The first Olympic Games was held in 776 BC in Olympia, Greece. Only Greek athletes played in the games. The Games were held to honor the Greek god, Zeus. They were held in Greece until 393 AD.

35. What is the main idea of the passage?

- A. How the Olympic Games began
- B. The different games from different countries
- C. The history and changes of the Olympic Games
- D. Athletes and games in the modern Olympic Games

36. The word “**They**” in paragraph 1 refers to _____.

- A. Many sports
- B. The first Olympic Games
- C. Greek athletes
- D. The Greek god

In 1896, a Frenchman, Baron Pierre de Coubertin started the games again. The first modern Olympic Games was held in Athens, Greece. Since then, the Olympics have been held every four years. The Games are held in different countries every time. People from different parts of the world took part in the Games. There were only 3 times that they were not held because of war: 1916, 1940, and 1944.

The number of participants in the Games has been increasing. In the first modern Olympics, there were nearly 250 athletes from 15 countries. When the Games were held again in Greece in 2004, there were 11,100 athletes from 202 countries.

In the 1896 Olympics, only men participated. Today, many women join the Games. Many sports have been added to the Olympic Games as well. The ancient Olympics had only track and field sports such as running. The Games today include more than 30 other games such as archery and diving.

37. The word “**then**” in paragraph 2 refers to _____.
A. 776 BC
B. 393 AD
C. 1896
D. 1916, 1940 and 1944
38. The phrase “**took part in**” in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.
A. took care of
B. remained on
C. changed into
D. participated in
39. According to the passage, which of the following sentences are NOT true?
A. The Olympic Games was held in Olympia for the first time.
B. The modern Olympic Games started in 1896 and was held in France.
C. The number of countries and athletes has been increasing.
D. The modern Olympic Games has not only track and field sports, but also has many other sports.
40. The passage mentions that the following changes happened to the Olympic Games EXCEPT that _____.
A. women participated in the Games
B. the Games were held in different countries
C. more athletes attended the Games
D. track and field became the only type of sport