PRE-READING TASK

Before you do Exam Task A, read the Exam Tip and answer the following questions:

- What do you have to do in this type of exam task?
- Why is it useful to underline the key words in the question?
- Why is it helpful to underline the parts of the text which express the same ideas as the questions?

Exam Tip

Read the instructions carefully. In this type of exam task, you have to match the questions with the paragraphs which give answers to them. Next, read the text for general understanding and then read the questions. Underline key words in the questions. Read the text one more time and underline the parts which answer the questions. Remember the ideas expressed must be the same, not just similar. Pay careful attention to the individual words used in both the questions and the text as there may be subtle differences in meaning! Note that there are three choices that you do not need to use.

A Read the texts below. Match choices (A-H) to (1-5). There are three choices you do not need to use.

1

SOFA BED FOR SALE

It can seat three comfortably. The sofa folds out into a double bed, big enough for a fully grown adult.
It was bought three years ago for **£300** and is in perfect condition.
We're looking for no less than **£150**.



2



CHAIRDRESSERS

Do you have old chairs you love and don't want to throw away?

Chairdressers fixes or dresses old chairs to make them look brand new.

LIVEWORKSHEETS

3

BRISTOL

We are two students who share a flat in the city centre and we're looking for a flatmate. Your room will have a single bed, wardrobe, desk and desk chair. We will be sharing the kitchen and the bathroom. We don't allow pets in the flat.

£450 per month



4



FREE DESK AND SWIVEL CHAIR!

I am moving abroad and I am giving away some things that I cannot take with me.

The desk is an antique that I got from a flea market – it is perfect for those who love old things.

The swivel chair is in very good condition.
You can pick them up from my flat in the Croydon area.
07382741253 - andrewspall@email.com

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YOU DON'T WANT IT? WE BUY IT!

We buy old sofas, armchairs, coffee tables, display cabinets, bookcases, desks, beds, carpets, rugs, mirrors, dishes, lamps, ornaments, clothes... and more!
Is it in good condition? We'll buy it!
Is it in bad condition? We'll buy it!
Look in your grandparents' attic and call

Paul's Vintage Mall
07026420102
vintagemall@email.com
24 Plot Street, Preston

Which ad will you answer if you want to _____?

A. rent a room
B. buy brand new furniture
C. sell something
D. buy something used
E. shop at a mall
F. renovate your furniture
G. buy old dresses
H. spend no money

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