

**MIDTERM EXAM 2
INTERMEDIATE 1**

I. LISTENING

A 🎧 *Listen to the conversation between two friends, Chris and Laura. Then read the questions and choose the correct answers.*

1. What plans does Chris have for Sunday?
 - A. He's seeing a movie with friends.
 - B. He's grocery shopping with Karen.
 - C. He's having a barbecue at his house.

2. What's the weather going to be like on the weekend?
 - A. It's going to be hot and sunny.
 - B. It's going to be cool and sunny.
 - C. It's going to rain all weekend.

3. How does Laura contact Karen?
 - A. by phone and text
 - B. by email and text
 - C. by phone and email

4. Why is Laura embarrassed to see Katie?
 - A. Because she forgot to meet Katie at the mall.
 - B. Because she forgot Katie's birthday.
 - C. Because she forgot to buy groceries.

B 🎧 *Listen to the conversation. Circle True or False for each statement.*

1. Chuck lost his phone case. True / false
2. Chuck saw a friend when he was on Seventh Avenue. True / false
3. Olga offers to help Chuck. True / false
4. Chuck remembers buying a couple of items at the supermarket. True / false

II. USE OF ENGLISH

A *Choose the correct answers*

1. Leticia told us a funny story last night. We were all really **amused / amusing**. She made us laugh a lot.
2. We watched a movie on TV last night. It was **frightened / frightening!** I was scared to go to bed afterwards.
3. Max saw Hannah in the street yesterday, but he couldn't remember her name. He was so **embarrassed / embarrassing**.
4. We tried to get tickets to see the game on Saturday, but they'd all been sold. I'm so **disappointing / disappointed**.

- A couldn't B shouldn't
7. When you visit, we show you around the city if you like.
A should B could
8. That neighborhood is scary. I really go there at night.
A wouldn't B shouldn't

G Complete the conversation with the words in the box.

broke down figured out grateful showed sorry take care trouble warn

Juanita Did you hear what happened to Maria, Robert?

Robert No! What? Is she OK? I hope she isn't in 1 _____.

Juanita I feel very 2 _____ for her. Her car 3 _____ on the highway this morning.

Robert Oh, no! Not again! I tried to 4 _____ her that the car needed to go to the garage.

Juanita She's pretty smart, and she 5 _____ what the problem was after about 15 minutes. Then she got lucky because someone stopped to help her. They 6 _____ her how to start the car again, and she made it to the garage.

Robert Wow! That was good.

Juanita Yes, Maria is very 7 _____. She's going to send a thank-you card.

Robert Poor Maria. She should 8 _____ of that car. It's getting old, and it needs a lot of attention. Maybe she should buy a new one.

Juanita Yes, I agree!

H Choose the correct verb for each sentence. Use the simple past.

disappear drop fall feel give locate search

1. What happened to your ring? _____ it _____ off your finger?
2. I lost my bike. It completely _____ from the place I left it.
3. Sam searched everywhere for his phone, but he _____ it.
4. We all _____ sorry for Carlos when his cat died.
5. Matt _____ his phone in the bathtub again.
6. Ana _____ me a ride to the airport, so I got there on time.
7. Sarah _____ everywhere for her lost dog

I Complete the sentences with the past continuous or simple past form of the verbs in parentheses ().

1. When I _____ (get off) the train, Mike _____ (wait) for me in the parking lot.
2. I _____ (show) my cousin all the best places in town while she _____ (stay) with me.
3. What _____ you _____ (do) when I saw you downtown?

4. _____ you _____ (sleep) when I _____ (call) you?
5. Lucas _____ (walk) home when the storm _____ (start).

J Complete the conversation with the words in the box

air	concrete	graffiti	noise	pollution	smoke	space	trash
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1. Plastic is one of the world's biggest _____ problems.
2. The factories produce a lot of _____, so the sky sometimes looks black.
3. There's very little green space where I work. All the offices are large _____ buildings.
4. The kids just want a little _____ to kick a ball around.
5. A lot of cities around the world have problems with _____. There is too much waste.
6. Every night I hear a lot of _____ in the street outside. It stops me from sleeping!
7. When I got home from work yesterday, I found _____ on my front door. It took me a long time to clean it off.
8. The _____ downtown is very dirty. Breathing it can even be dangerous sometimes.

K Type the correct answers.

1. I asked my neighbor _____ to turn the music down because it was so loud.
A beautifully B dangerously C politely
2. Air pollution is increasing _____. We need to find ways of stopping it.
A loudly B angrily C dangerously
3. The man was extremely angry, but the police officer spoke to him _____.
A calmly B completely C safely
4. The city workers cleaned the park _____. Now it's great to walk and exercise there.
A politely B beautifully C loudly
5. Katie isn't happy because her boss spoke to her _____.
A angrily B beautifully C completely
6. Did I spell the word "pollution" _____?
A calmly B completely C correctly

L Choose the correct answer

1. If people drop **so much / so many** trash on the ground, the city gets messy.
2. There's **several / almost no** pollution where I live.

3. There is **so many / so much** traffic on my way to work.
4. There are **so many / so much** traffic jams in LA. The highways look like parking lots!
5. In my neighborhood, there's **very little / very few** crime.
6. **So few / So little** spaces are green in my city. There's concrete everywhere.
7. **None / A little** of the trash cans are full. Why don't people use them?
8. There's **several / some** pollution downtown, but not out in the country.

M Choose the correct answers.

1. If we leave now, we _____ in a big _____ traffic jam for hours!
A will be _____ B are _____
2. If there _____ garbage on the street, people drop more garbage.
A is _____ B will be _____
3. If we _____ something about it, pollution will get worse.
A will do _____ B don't do _____
4. When people _____ angrily to their neighbors, things usually get worse.
A will speak _____ B speak _____
5. I always talk politely when there _____ a problem.
A is _____ B will be _____
6. If cities become more polluted, people _____ unhealthy.
A are _____ B will be _____
7. In the future, there will be more crime if we _____ now.
A don't do something B do something
8. If you give people a place for graffiti, they _____ on other buildings.
A paint B won't paint

IV. READING

A Read the interview. Then answer the questions.

LOST AND FOUND

Meet Levi. He works at Back Bay Train Station in Boston. He deals with all the things that people lose or find on the trains and in the station every day. We asked Levi a few questions.

Do you like your job?

I love my job. I meet so many people. Just last week, I spoke to over 300 customers. I work 5 days a week, so that was at least 60 people a day. It's terrific to see how grateful people are when you give them back the stuff they lost. One day, in 2005, when I was working at New York's Penn Station, a woman arrived at my office with a big bunch of flowers for me. She just wanted to say thank you.

How do you locate the people who have lost their stuff?

Usually they come to me. They know they've lost, for example, their purse. They come to the office and tell me what they lost. They give me the date and the train they were on. And then I take their contact information. When we find the item, we give them a call.

What do people lose and find most often?

Oh, that's easy! Phones. Phones, phones, phones! Last week, I was looking through some boxes when my coworker asked me how many phones we had. We had 173 phones. I'm not kidding. But, you know, we have on average at least 350 items lost and found a week, everything from keys to laptops to kids' toys.

Why phones?

Well, I guess it's because people keep them in their pockets, and they fall out and drop on the floor. I met this guy the other day. He searched the whole train for his phone. After an hour, he still couldn't find it. Do you want to know where it was? In his pocket!

What's the strangest thing someone's – found on a train?

You're not going to believe this – a wild turkey. I guess the passenger didn't want to take care of it!

1. How many lost phones were in Levi's office when they counted them?
 - A. A 173
 - B. B 350
 - C. C 60
2. Does Levi enjoy his job?
 - A. No, he doesn't.
 - B. He liked his old job but not this one.
 - C. Yes, he does.
3. How did a woman show Levi she was grateful?
 - A. She sent him a thank-you card.
 - B. She gave him flowers.
 - C. She took him out for a nice lunch.
4. How does Levi return lost property to people?
 - A. He tells the train drivers to take care of it.
 - B. His coworker puts it in boxes and sends it to the people.
 - C. People usually pick up their property at the lost and found office.
5. What gets lost most on trains?
 - A. phones
 - B. purses

C. wild animals

B Read the student's essay. Select True or False for each statement.

My Dream World

Let's imagine a clean new world, a world where there's almost no trash. How would that happen? I see five things that might make our world a better place to live.

1. People recycle everything they use. If something can't be recycled, no one buys it. All the trash cans in towns and cities are almost empty. If a child drops a piece of trash, several people run to pick it up. If the streets are beautifully neat and clean, they will stay neat and clean.
2. The air everywhere is healthy, clean, and fresh. There's very little smoke in the sky because there are very few factories. People are happy and healthy. Animals and plants are also healthy because the land is clean and green again.
3. When people build new houses, they use wood, not concrete. A lot of the houses are in open green spaces where kids can play safely and adults can exercise.
4. There are almost no traffic jams ever because almost all of the people who live here travel by bike or on foot. If someone wants to own a car, they buy a small car that doesn't pollute. These cars work with electricity so they don't drive noisily along the highways anymore. It's not possible to drive dangerously because the cars drive themselves. There are no more accidents.
5. And how about crime? Can people live calmly and safely in this perfect world? Yes, they can. Everybody speaks politely and kindly, and there are very few problems in the community. There is a little graffiti, but that's because there's a special place for graffiti artists to paint and draw. People enjoy seeing the new pieces of art.

My dream world isn't the world that we live in now. Most of our streets have trash on them, and the air in a lot of the world is dangerous to breathe. More and more cars fill our streets and highways. And crime is something many people worry about. Still, I believe that my dream world is possible. All the ingredients of my dream world have already appeared – if not in daily life, then at least in the laboratory. We just need to work together, and we can have a much better world sooner than most people imagine.

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| 1. People won't pick up trash in the writer's dream world. | True / False |
| 2. There aren't many factories, so there isn't much smoke in the dream world. | True / False |
| 3. In the dream world, it's possible to have a car that doesn't pollute and that is safe. | True / False |
| 4. Unfortunately, there are still a lot of traffic jams in the dream world. | True / False |
| 5. There aren't many problems in the community in the dream world. | True / False |