

Test unit 2 Optimise B1 4th Adolescents

Student name _____

Group/Class _____

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LISTENING

1 You are going to listen to a radio interview with a housing expert called Valerie Richards. For each question, choose the correct answer.  Unit 2 Listening

- 1 What is true about new buildings these days, according to Valerie?
 - A Companies build them smaller to save money.
 - B People prefer them because they are small.
 - C If you can buy one you are very lucky.
- 2 What is the problem with new houses?
 - A They can be difficult to look after.
 - B They are sometimes noisy.
 - C They are expensive to build.
- 3 What does Valerie mean by a 'chain'?
 - A a number of houses which are built next to each other on the same street
 - B a situation where people cannot buy a new house until they have sold their old house
 - C a group of people who have saved money together and want to buy a house to share
- 4 What does Valerie say people might need to do after they buy an old house?
 - A build a larger bathroom
 - B change some of the materials
 - C buy a new sofa and fridge
- 5 What type of house would Valerie prefer?
 - A an old terraced house
 - B a new house with quiet neighbours
 - C a house with no neighbours either side

Score: / 5

GRAMMAR

2 Complete the text with the verbs in brackets in the past simple or the past continuous.

A Lucky Escape

Sam was late for school. He (1) _____ (leave) the house when his mother (2) _____ (call) out to him. 'Don't forget your lunch.' Sam (3) _____ (look) back. She was right. His lunch (4) _____ (sit) on the dining-room table. He sighed, (5) _____ (pick) it up and put it in his schoolbag.

When Sam was outside he (6) _____ (*hear*) his phone make a sound. He took it out and looked at it. It was his friend Maxine. She (7) _____ (*text*) from school and asking for the details of his birthday party. Sam (8) _____ (*see*) his bus coming on the other side of the road. He continued texting as he was crossing the road. Suddenly, he (9) _____ (*look*) up and saw a car. It (10) _____ (*come*) straight towards him! He dropped his phone and the car stopped just in front of him! It was a very lucky escape. Now Sam never texts while crossing the road.

Score: / 10

3 Complete the text using a word or phrase from the box. Some words or phrases may be used more than once.

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Life in Ancient Greece

Most people in Greece (1) _____ to live in villages. Life was not easy because there didn't (2) _____ to be much water or wood for building. As a result, some Greeks (3) _____ travel to other countries to look for a better life. The Greeks (4) _____ to build their homes with a garden in the middle. There (5) _____ use to be much furniture inside the buildings, but richer people decorated the walls and floors with colourful paintings. Because many homes didn't (6) _____ have a bathroom, people (7) _____ use public baths.

Did children (8) _____ go to school? Well, the boys did when they were seven, but teachers cost money so many sons of poor families (9) _____ went to school. Girls didn't (10) _____ go to school. They stayed at home where their mothers would teach them how to cook and look after the house.

Score: / 10

READING

1

WANTED

Girl to share room in English family's flat.

Kitchen shared – bathroom ours!

Phone after 6 pm for details.

2

Hi Mum and Dad,

Hope you are well. The accommodation is fine and the family I am staying with are very friendly. England isn't as cold as people say! First class tomorrow. Wish me luck!

Barry

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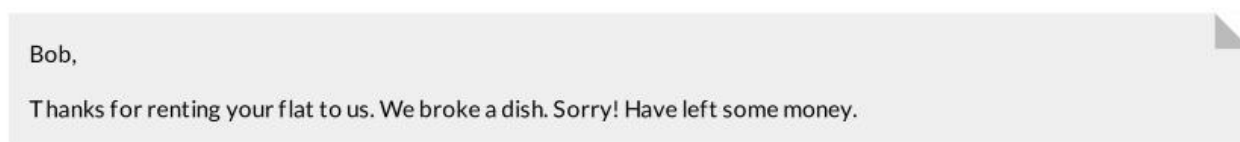
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4 For each question, choose the correct answer.

- 1 If you are interested in the room
 - A you must be able to speak English well.
 - B you have to share the bathroom with another person.
 - C you can call any time of the day for more information.
- 2 How does Barry feel?
 - A He is surprised about the weather.
 - B He misses his parents.
 - C He is happy with his first class.
- 3 What does Stef want George to do?
 - A meet her outside the house
 - B call her for more information
 - C send her a text message as soon as possible
- 4 Dave says
 - A that Gary can sleep at Dave's house.
 - B that Gary needs to bring something to eat.
 - C that he is going to take his driving test very soon.

- 5 What did the guests do?
- A They wanted to send Bob some money.
 - B They had a small accident.
 - C They cleaned the fridge.

Score: /5

VOCABULARY

- 5 Complete the dialogue with a phrasal verb, using one word from each box. You may use each word more than once.

move pull put rent settle tidy

down in out up

Maria: When did you move to this area, Kenji?

Kenji: About seven years ago. I was sad when we had to (1) _____ of our old flat. But the building was very old and the local authorities were planning to (2) _____ it _____ to build a shopping centre. We couldn't (3) _____ to our new house immediately, so my Uncle Hanzi (4) _____ us _____ in his house for the first week. Uncle Hanzi used to (5) _____ rooms to students so he already had enough beds for us all. In the evenings we used to go round to the new house to (6) _____ because it was a complete mess! I was worried about changing school because I am quite shy, but the students here were very friendly and helped us to (7) _____ quickly. So I'm very happy to be here!

Score: /7

- 6 If a word or phrase in bold is correct, put a tick. If it's incorrect, rewrite it correctly.

- 1 I couldn't meet you yesterday because my dad **made me to help** him with the shopping. ☐
- 2 What I have for dinner **depends on** how hungry I am. ☐
- 3 Our teacher stopped us **from climb** the fence because he said it was dangerous. ☐
- 4 We have to leave in three minutes. I don't think it's **worth starting** another game. ☐
- 5 Mary isn't very keen on **sit** on the balcony. She is afraid of heights. ☐

Score: /5

LANGUAGE IN USE

7 For each question, write the correct answer. Write one word for each gap.

My neighbour Bobby has been such (1) _____ good student at school recently that his parents have bought him a guitar. He has (2) _____ a lot of friends who play music that he has created his own band called The Macs. Unfortunately, their bass player was (3) _____ reliable (4) _____ they had to replace him. They have to play in the garage because the space in the living room isn't big (5) _____. It has an electric heater, so it isn't (6) _____ cold for them to play there in winter. The band makes (7) _____ much noise that they can only play at the weekends! Although they have learnt several new songs, at the moment they (8) _____ have (9) _____ of them to perform a whole concert. But one day they hope to be (10) _____ good musicians that they become famous!

Score: / 10