

SAMPLE TEST INTENSIVE ENGLISH 2

TIME: 60 MINUTES

READING TEST (40pts) (20 minutes)

PART 1: (4 pts/ q)

Questions 1-5

Read the information in the following notes, emails, messages or announcements... and choose the correct option to answer each question:

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Choose the best option according to the meaning of the announcement

- A. Lock your cycle near this gate before entering.
- B. Cyclists should use a different entrance when this one is locked.
- C. If the site gate is locked, go through the cycle entrance.

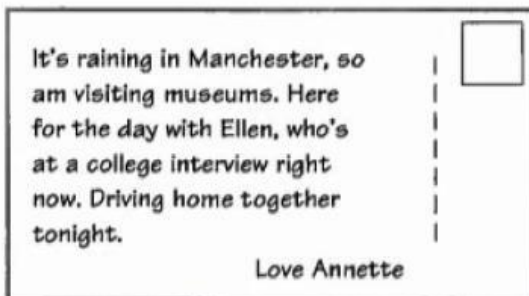
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Choose the best option according to the meaning of the announcement

- A. We will keep any picture for you if you give us £25.
- B. Some of the pictures in the gallery are reserved.
- C. It costs £25 to show your picture in the gallery.

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Choose the best option according to the meaning of the card.

- A. Ellen and Annette are spending the day together sightseeing.
- B. Annette is writing this card while Ellen attends an interview.
- C. Ellen is staying overnight in Manchester, but Annette isn't.

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Choose the best option according to the meaning of the notice

- A. You have five minutes after bookings have finished to return any sports equipment used.
- B. Bookings now include an extra five minutes for equipment to be put away.
- C. The hall must be cleared of equipment in the five minutes before bookings end.

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According to the meaning of the message, John wants Helga to

- A. Help those on board to communicate.
- B. Find a boat for hire on the river.
- C. Do all the cooking on the holiday.

PART 2: (4 pts/q)

Question 6-10

- Read the text and questions below.
- For each question, mark the letter next to the correct answer - **A, B, C or D** - **on your answer sheet.**

John Fisher, a builder, and his wife Elizabeth wanted more living space, so they left their small flat for an old 40-metre-high castle tower. They have spent five years turning it into a beautiful home with six floors, winning three architectural prizes.

'I love the space, and being private,' Elizabeth says. 'You feel separated from the world. If I'm in the kitchen, which is 25 metres above the ground floor, and the doorbell rings, I don't have to answer it because visitors can't see I'm in!'

'There are 142 steps to the top, so if I go up and down five or six times a day, it's very good exercise! But having to carry heavy things to the top is terrible, so I never buy more

than two bags of shopping from the supermarket at a time. Apart from that, it's a brilliant place to live.'

'When we first saw the place, I asked my father's advice about buying it, because we couldn't decide. After paying for it, we were a bit worried because it looked awful. But we really loved it, and knew how we wanted it to look.'

'Living here can be difficult- yesterday I climbed a four-metre ladder to clean the windows. But when you stand on the roof you can see all the way out to sea on a clear day, and that's a wonderful experience. I'm really glad we moved.'

1. *What is the writer trying to do in the text?*

- A. Describe what it is like to live in a tower.
- B. Describe how to turn an old tower into a house.
- C. Recommend a particular builder.
- D. Explain how to win prizes for building work.

2. *From this text, a reader can find out*

- A. Why visitors are not welcome at John and Elizabeth's house.
- B. Why John and Elizabeth left their flat.
- C. Why Elizabeth asked her father to buy the tower.
- D. Why Elizabeth exercises every day.

3. *Which of the following best describes Elizabeth's feelings about the tower?*

- A. She likes most things about it.
- B. She wanted it as soon as she saw it.
- C. She has been worried since they paid for it.
- D. She finds it unsuitable to live in.

4. *What problems does Elizabeth have with living in such a tall building?*

- A. Her visitors find it difficult to see if she is at home.
- B. She feels separated from other people.
- C. It is impossible to clean any of the windows.
- D. She cannot bring home lots of shopping at once.

5. *How will John and Elizabeth advertise their tower if they sell it?*

- A. FOR SALE- Tall building, formerly a castle. High windows give a good view. Need some improvement.
- B. FOR SALE- Prize-winning home, five years old. Six rooms, all with sea views.
- C. FOR SALE- A house with a difference- a castle tower, turned into a lovely home. Wonderful view.
- D. FOR SALE- Castle tower, turned into six small flats, close to the supermarket.

WRITING TEST (30pts/ 10 Qs) (20 mins)

PART 3: (15pts) (3pts/ q)

Question 1-5

- Here are some sentences about daily travel.
- For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the

first, **using no more than three words.**

• **Write only the missing words on your answer sheet.**

1. Large cars use more petrol than small cars.

Small cars don't use as _____ large cars.

2. Check your tires before a long journey.

Before a long journey, remember _____ your tires.

3. When I was young, I drove a small car.

I used to _____ a small car when I was young.

4. Kim comes from Korea.

Kim was a

5. This is the first time I've lived in a city.

I've _____ in a city before.

PART 4: (15 pts) (3pts/ q)

Question 6-10

Tom is planning a surprise birthday party for your ten- year-old cousin next week and wants to invite an English-speaking friend, Jerry to the party.

Complete the card with **ONE** suitable word.

Dear (6).....,

I hope you are doing well, I have a ten -year-old (7)..... - Ron whom you met few months ago at my home. Next (8).....is his birthday and we (9).....celebrate a surprise party for him. He admires your guitar talent. I (10)you can come with us to make him a surprise.

I think Ron will feel happy if you can come and play a table of song.

Hope to see you!

Many thanks,

Tom

LISTENING TEST (30pts/ 10 qs) (20 minutes - including 3 minutes transfer time)
PART 5 (3 pts/ q) (10 mins)

Questions 1-7

- There are seven questions in this part.
- For each question there are three pictures and a short recording.
- Choose the correct picture and put a tick (✓) in the box below it.

1. Where will the woman go first after work?



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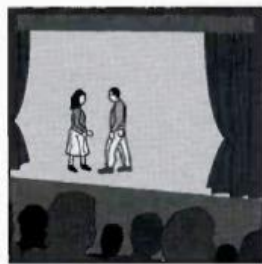


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2. What can festival visitors see every day?



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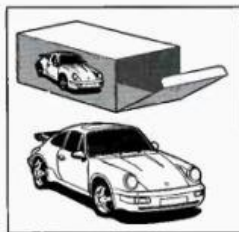


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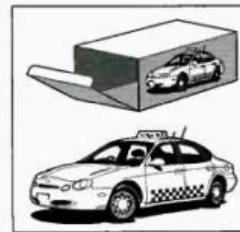
3. What souvenir will the boy's mother bring?



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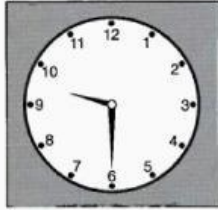


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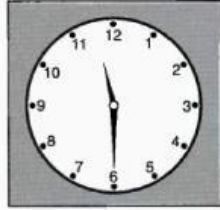


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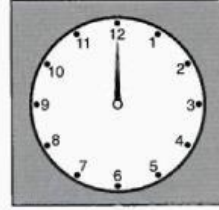
4. What time is the woman's hair appointment?



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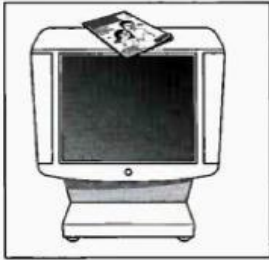


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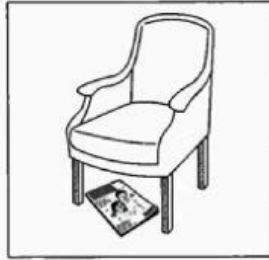


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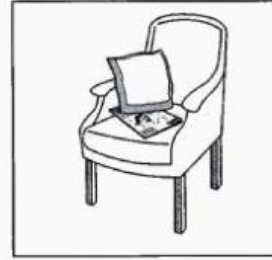
5. Where's the TV guide?



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C

6. What does the man decide to take Tracy?



A

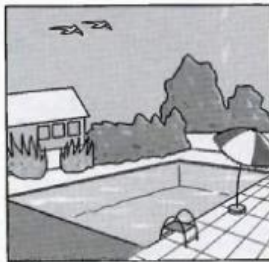


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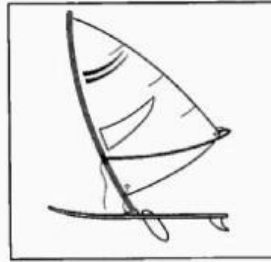


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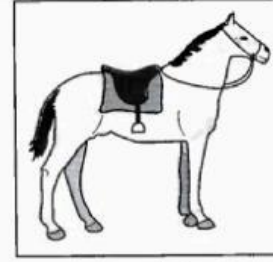
7. Which sport has the man just started?



A



B



C

PART 6 (3 qs) (7 mins)

Questions 8-10

- You will hear a radio presenter talking about new books.
- For each question put a tick(✓) in the correct box.

8. To really understand *My life* you need to

- A. read the writer's other books.
- B. read it very slowly.
- C. know about the writer's life.

9. In *Goodbye to the fields*, John goes to London because

- A. his parents do not like the country.
- B. his parents do not like the country.
- C. his parents both come from the city.

10. The *A-Z of photography* will not interest experienced photographers because

- A. the information is unsuitable.
- B. the pictures are simple.
- C. it says nothing about equipment.

