

ENGLISH READING PRACTICE TEST 5

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

**KEEP THIS MEDICINE AWAY
FROM CHILDREN**

- A. You can take this medicine.
- B. Be careful where you put this.
- C. Children can take this medicine.

2

TODAY
Day trip to the mountains
Wear something warm!

- A. You are not allowed to climb the mountain.
- B. You need to take a heavy sweater or jacket with you.
- C. You will be warm in the mountain.

3

*Check your holiday insurance
now – **Before** you go away!*

- A. Your holiday insurance is due now.
- B. Put your holiday insurance home before you go away.
- C. You should check your insurance before you are travelling.

4

STUDY CENTER
Please put back all the
books to the correct shelves

- A. You should put all the books to the right shelf.
- B. You should return all the books after reading.
- C. You should study all the books in the center.

5

**All our winter holidays –
25% cheaper**

- A. These trips cost less than usual.
- B. These trips cost more than usual.
- C. All the winter holidays are free.

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

Questions 6-15

Peter works from his home. He (6)_____ less time traveling than most people; and he spends more time working. "My (7)_____ is not nine to five", says Peter. At the end of the (8)_____, there is no drive home. Therefore, he can (9)_____ to serve his clients on the other side of the world throughout (10)_____. His clients in the US and the Far East need to talk to (11) _____ late at night (12) _____ of the time difference. He connects to his office (13)_____ a modem and a special cable for his fax machine. He has (14)_____ phone lines, one for outgoing calls and one for incoming ones. With all this technology, his home is better (15)_____ than many people's offices!

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| 6. A. waits | B. wastes | C. kills | D. invests |
| 7. A. job | B. life | C. home | D. interest |
| 8. A. hour | B. day | C. week | D. month |
| 9. A. stop | B. appear | C. continue | D. enter |
| 10. A. the year | B. the night | C. the day | D. the schedule |
| 11. A. him | B. them | C. her | D. himself |
| 12. A. due to | B. in spite | C. despite | D. because |
| 13. A. on | B. from | C. with | D. of |
| 14. A. one | B. two | C. three | D. four |
| 15. A. furnished | B. equipped | C. developed | D. decorated |

PART 3. Read the text and decide if each sentence is CORRECT or INCORRECT.

Questions 16-25

BRITANNIA HOLIDAYS

Extra trip to Arundel Castle: Wednesday

Dear Holidaymaker,

I hope that you are enjoying your visit to the Albion Hotel. I'm writing to tell you about an extra trip we are arranging for Wednesday afternoon. We'll be going to Arundel Castle which is a tourist attraction about 40 miles from here. A coach will be leaving at 11 am and returning in time for your evening meal at 7 pm. The kitchen has been informed so if we're late for any reason, they'll wait for us. Please remember this is not part of your package so although the coach is free, there is an entrance fee of £7.00 if you want to visit the castle.

The town of Arundel is very pretty with pleasant walks down by the river and some interesting old shops. The castle stands on a hill outside the town and can be seen from miles around. There has been a castle on this site for almost 1,000 years, but the present building is not that old, so it's certainly not an old ruin. The castle buildings are used as a home by the present owners but quite a large part is open to the public.

Among the things to see at the castle are some lovely rooms. The library has a wonderful ceiling and there is a beautiful bedroom, once used by members of the royal family. There is furniture

dating from the 16th century and a fine collection of old clocks which shouldn't be missed. The picture gallery is also very interesting and has paintings by famous artists such as Canaletto and Gainsborough.

We will arrive in Arundel at lunchtime and the castle has its own restaurant, which serves excellent home-made lunches. If a group of you would like to pre-book, we can arrange a discount for you. If not, you can decide when you arrive and there are always plenty of free tables. For those of you who prefer a lighter meal, traditional English afternoon tea is served in the restaurant from 1:00 pm at a very reasonable price.

So, if you would like to join us on our trip to Arundel, please ask at Reception by Tuesday lunchtime at the latest, and your name will be added to the list.

Have a nice day.

Clara Tongue

Tour Company Representative

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| 16. Arundel Castle is in the same town as the Albion Hotel. | A. True | B. False |
| 17. If you go on the trip, you may miss your evening meal at the hotel. | A. True | B. False |
| 18. There is no charge for the journey to Arundel. | A. True | B. False |
| 19. Arundel Castle is next to the river, in the centre of the town. | A. True | B. False |
| 20. All of the castle buildings are less than 1.000 years old. | A. True | B. False |
| 21. Part of the castle is in a poor condition. | A. True | B. False |
| 22. Part of the castle is used as a private house. | A. True | B. False |
| 23. It is necessary to book a table if you want to have lunch at the castle. | A. True | B. False |
| 24. Afternoon tea at the castle is not very expensive. | A. True | B. False |
| 25. To go on the trip, you have to reserve a place one day in advance. | A. True | B. False |

PART 4. Read the following passages and choose the best answer for each question.

Questions 26-29 refer to the following information:

Surface Shipping Charges		
<u>Order amount</u>	<u>US Surface Rate</u>	<u>Canada Surface Rate</u>
0-\$25.00	\$3.60	\$5.85
\$25.01-\$50.00	\$4.65	\$6.85
\$50.01-\$100	\$5.35	\$7.85
Over \$100	\$6.60	\$8.85
(For orders over \$500, please contact one of our shipping agents for a price including insurance)		
>> Delivery generally takes 5-10 days.		
>> Please contact us for international rates.		
>> Express Service also available:		
2 to 3 day shipping: add \$3 to surface charge		
Overnight carrier: add \$13 to surface charge		

26. What are these rates based on?
- A. Delivery time and price
 - B. Weight and delivery time
 - C. Weight only
 - D. Weight and price
27. By overnight carrier within the US, how much would it cost to ship a pair of shoes that cost \$75?
- A. \$5.35
 - B. \$10.85
 - C. \$8.35
 - D. \$18.35
28. When might you expect to find this list of shipping charges?
- A. A newspaper
 - B. A telephone directory
 - C. A mail order catalog
 - D. An instruction manual
29. What do customers do if they ship two packages that cost \$520?
- A. They will get a discount of \$6.60.
 - B. They need to pay for the insurance.
 - C. They have to wait for delivery over 10 days.
 - D. They need to contact the shipping agents for international rates.

Questions 30-34

Read the note from a student who wants a book from a library.

Choose the best word (A, B, C) to fill in the information on the Reservation Form.

	Rose Cottage Northfleet 26 MARCH
To: Weston University Library	
My teacher, Robin Gibson, has told me to read Understanding Science before my exam on 17 th April. I am on holiday in Northfleet at the moment but I'll return to my home at 22 King's Road, Weston on 9 th 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.

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.

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
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