

The Masters Two

Mid Semester test

Name: _____

Date: _____

Reading Part 1

The young people below all want to go on holiday. There are eight holiday reviews. Decide which holiday would be the most suitable for the people below.

GREAT HOLIDAY CHOICES

A. The Mochito Surf Club

Situated five kilometres from a small holiday town, complete with cinemas and restaurants, the Mochito Surf Club offers great holidays for those who love to be on the waves all day. Accommodation is in shared tents with great bathroom and self-catering facilities. A mini bus runs to the town during the day and evening!

B. The Resort

The Resort is a great place for single young people to meet. It's not too expensive and has great facilities, such as tennis courts and two swimming pools. Good food is served in the restaurant and there is live music every night and dancing! Buses to the nearest town run every hour.

C. The Calypso Beach Hotel

The best beaches in this country are waiting for you at the Calypso Beach Hotel. The hotel is situated by the sea with wonderful views. Excellent rooms and the best Greek cooking you can imagine. Recommended if cost is not considered in your holiday plans, as luxury does not come cheap.

D. Le Casa

Le Casa is a bed and breakfast that feels like home. A family business, it's perfect for those who don't want to spend all their savings on accommodation. The town, which is full of beach restaurants serving delicious local dishes, is on the Spanish coast. There is easy access from the local airport by local buses.

E. The Lodge

The Lodge is the perfect get-away-from-it-all holiday; for those who want to escape the city. Situated by a lake, The Lodge offers luxury facilities with the peace and quiet of walking tracks through the forest, an indoor swimming pool and a library where you can relax with your favourite books. Not cheap but worth every penny!

F. The Meeting House

The Meeting House, in Barcelona, attracts mainly students and is perfect for those who want a cultural holiday; everything is within reach on foot. Centrally located in the fashionable cafe area, it is close to art galleries as well as cafe bars, offering live music to suit all tastes. Prices are reasonable for rooms with shared facilities.

G. The Retreat

The Retreat offers a quiet creative environment for artists and musicians. Join groups for all levels to learn techniques in sociable fun classes. Classes are in English but a working knowledge of Spanish is an advantage. So if you enjoy the countryside, far away from the stress of the city, this is for you.

H. The Sea House

The Sea House is ideal for those who love peace and quiet. Located in the English county of Cornwall, it has unforgettable views over the sea. It's a great place for artists who don't want their creativity interrupted by visitors. Available all seasons but summer is definitely the best! The earlier you book, the better the price!

Pamela's family is quite wealthy and lives in the city centre. She misses the countryside and loves reading and long country walks. She hates hot weather and holiday by the sea.

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Rob is interested in music. He loves places where there is a good art scene. He likes meeting people, being in a town or city and prefers walking or cycling to using public transport.

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Sue's trying to get into art school. She wants a peaceful environment and maybe some company while she paints. She wants a chance to practice her French or Spanish.

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Tim and Ben are really sporty so they are looking for an activity holiday doing water sports. They're not really interested in city life but want to be near enough to be able to go out in the evenings.

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May enjoys going abroad for beaches, sunshine and a good place to eat as she loves foreign food. But May's family hasn't got a lot of money to travel so travel and accommodation need to be cheap.

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Part 2

Five sentences have been removed from the text below. For each question, choose the correct answer. There are three extra sentences which you do not need to use.

A change in attitude

It's difficult to remember exactly when I started playing computer games. Even from an early age, I was always looking at a computer screen. Sometimes I was playing games, and other times I was spending time on the internet. My mum used to joke that I spent more time on the computer than speaking to her! 1

A first, my parents were keen for me to develop my computer skills. 2 You use them at school for projects and at work when you're an adult. So my parents thought the earlier I started using them, the better.

Soon they began to think differently, however. What first started as a hobby or interest soon began to become much more than that. I started to spend more and more time playing games and less time communicating with my parents and friends. And if that wasn't bad enough, it wasn't long before I began to miss lessons just to play computer games.

3 My health began to suffer. Because I was indoors all day, I wasn't exercising. 4 Quite often I would get colds and feel unwell most of the time. My parents noticed this and decided to do something about it. They told me that if I didn't stop spending so much time on my computer, they would take it away from me!

I was really upset at first. 5 I listened to them and slowly began to spend less time on my computer and more time socializing with friends. As a result, I became much happier and now regret spending so much time in the past playing on my computer! I hope that more teenagers will be able to understand how bad this is for them and decide to take up a sport or go out with friends instead.

- A. Then, things got much worse.
- B. I'm really pleased that he bought me a new computer.
- C. They did their best to try and persuade me.
- D. Then, I began to realize my parents were right.
- E. I joined a gym immediately.
- F. After all, computers are essential for everyday life.
- G. And I suppose that was true at the time.
- H. This lack of exercise meant that I began to get ill.



Reading result:

____/15 or ____%

Listening Part 1

1. You will hear two friends talking about a TV show. Why does the girl say she wouldn't take part in it?

- A. She doesn't like failing.
- B. She feels shy when other people watch her.
- C. She doesn't have enough talent as a singer.

2. You will hear a girl telling her friend about a new jumper she has bought.

What's the problem about the jumper?

- A. She didn't like it when she took it home.
- B. She can't return it until next week.
- C. She found two holes in it when she got home.

3. You will hear a girl telling a friend about a camping trip. What did she dislike the most?

- A. There were a lot of insects in the tent.
- B. the weather was bad.
- C. She couldn't get enough sleep.

4. You will hear two friends talking about a lesson. What do they agree about?

- A. Maths is difficult to understand.
- B. The other teacher is better.
- C. Using a calculator is helpful.

5. You will hear two friends talking about a film. What was the boy's complaint about it?

- A. There was not enough action.
- B. The subject upsets him.
- C. He's tired of history movies.

6. You will hear two friends talking about TV programmes. What is the boy watching at the moment?

- A. a romantic comedy
- B. adverts
- C. an action film

Part 2

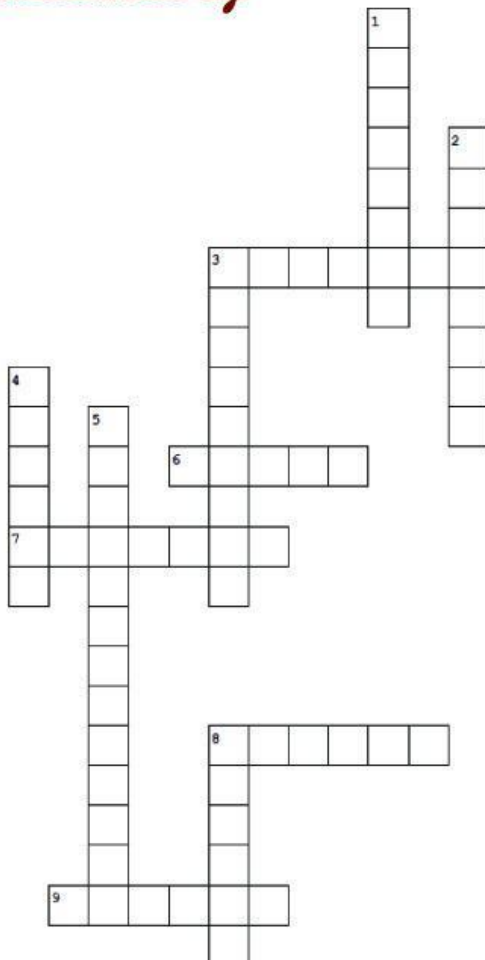
You will hear an interview with a 16-year-old girl called Sarah, who writes a blog for and about teenagers. For each question, choose the correct answer.

1. How did Sarah learn how to start a blog?
 - A. She learned from the internet.
 - B. She did a course at college.
 - C. She asked someone she knew.
2. Why did Sarah choose to focus on teenagers?
 - A. They are more interesting than the older people.
 - B. She doesn't like older people.
 - C. She understands how they feel better.
3. How did Sarah feel when she first started to write her blog?
 - A. worried that she wouldn't have time to do it
 - B. anxious that no one would read it
 - C. confident that it would be a big success
4. How much time does Sarah spend writing her blog?
 - A. about four hours every weekend
 - B. four to five hours every evening
 - C. four to five hours a day
5. What does Sarah say teenagers are most interested in now?
 - A. the environment
 - B. sport
 - C. education
6. What effect has Sarah's blog had on her life?
 - A. She's made lots of new friends.
 - B. She's gained useful knowledge in various subjects.
 - C. She's become an expert in using a computer.

Listening result:

____/12 or ____%

Vocabulary



Across

3. full of people
6. connected with a town or city
7. something, such as a swimming pool or shopping centre, that is intended to make life more pleasant or comfortable for the people in a town, hotel, or other place
8. an area where people live that is outside the centre of a city
9. to send or receive sound or video directly over the internet without downloading it

Down

1. to make somebody do something by giving them good reasons for doing it
2. a very famous place, something people want to see
3. a famous person
4. about the whole world; worldwide.
5. a notice, picture or film telling people about a product, job or service
8. a short easily remembered phrase, especially one used to advertise an idea or a product

Vocabulary result:

____/10 or ____%

Part 1

Use of English

Read the text below and choose the correct word for each gap.

San Francisco

Whatever you for from a visit to San Francisco in the USA, you won't be disappointed. The hills are just as steep as you imagined they would be, and the Golden Gate Bridge is as spectacular. It's no 1)..... than that the city is among the world's 2) tourist destinations. 3) many people live there, San Francisco 4) more like a small town than a city of more than 4 million people. Its 5)..... on the water, its parks, and its hills all 6) that you can never see further than a few blocks.

One of the most 7) trips is across the Golden Gate Bridge. This is a journey 8) should be saved for a sunny day so that you can 9) the fantastic view, and the Golden Gate Park has wonderful gardens, 10) addition to being great for a picnic.

A hope B decide C want D expect

1. A guess B excuse C question D surprise

2. A complete B top C proper D full

3. A Although B Besides C Unless D Despite

4. A shows B fits C seems D makes

5. A location B point C landscape D scene

6. A allow B mean C let D intend

7. A amazed B popular C interested D positive

8. A who B where C which D what

9. A admire B approve C accept D attract

10. A in B as C on D by

Part 2

Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first, using no more than 3 words.

1. I last went on holiday in 2005.

I on holiday since 2005.

2. We are waiting to receive our exam results.

We our exam results yet.

3. When we arrived at the hotel, we immediately went to swim.

We went for a swim as we arrived at the hotel.

4. "Did you book a room with a balcony?" I asked my mother.

I asked my mother a room with a balcony.

5. "I haven't heard from Helen for a long time" Paul said to me.

Paul told me that heard from Helen for a long time.



Use of English result:

___/15 or ___%

Writing

You see this notice on an English-language website for students. Write **an article** about **100 words**.

Articles wanted!

An Interesting Place

Write an article telling us about the most interesting place you have ever been to. What did you do there? Would you recommend it for other people to go? The best articles answering these questions will be published next month!

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Language /5

Content /5

Communication /5

Organization	/5
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