

PET (Cambridge English B1: Preliminary) Practice Test

Reading Part 1

- For each question, choose the correct answer.

RESERVED PARKING

**For Bank
Customers Only**

1)

- A) People using the bank are allowed to park here.
- B) Employees of the bank can park their cars here.
- C) Nobody is allowed to park in front of the bank.

*Please remember to take all
your personal belongings with
you when you leave the train.*

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2) Passengers are asked to make sure

- A) they have all of their belongings before leaving the train.
- B) they leave their belongings behind them.
- C) they stand near the door ready to get off the train.

To: Susie

From: Gina

Could you tell Mike that I can't meet him tomorrow?
I've lost his telephone number and I don't know his
e-mail address. Thanks a lot.

3) What does Gina want Susie to do?

- A) give someone a message.
- B) meet Mike at Susie's home.
- C) tell Mike her e-mail address.

**NO DOGS
ALLOWED ON BEACH**
**EXCEPT: BLIND AND
DEAF GUIDE DOGS**

4)

- A) Only specially trained "assistance dogs" are allowed on the beach.
- B) People can't bring their dogs to the beach at all.
- C) Deaf and blind dogs are not allowed here.

★ **BUY 3 WHEELS** ★
GET 1 FREE
Installation and
hardware additional

5)

- A) Buy three wheels and get one free with installation.
- B) Buy three wheels for the price of one.
- C) Buy three wheels and get one free without installation.

Reading Part 2

The people below in 1-5 all want to find a suitable hotel.
Look at the descriptions of eight hotels. (A-H)
Decide which hotel would be most suitable for each person.

1) Choose your answer ...



John and Ann would like to stay somewhere in the city centre that provides a variety of attractions and social activities nearby the hotel, including pubs, bars and music venues.

2) Choose your answer ...



Maria wants to stay in a quiet part of the city. She is interested in exploring the sights, but would like the hotel to organise trips.

3) Choose your answer ...



Barbara and Susan are travelling by car and would like to park at their hotel. They want to stay somewhere in the city which provides lunch and dinner.

4) Choose your answer ...



Susan has just started work after leaving university and doesn't have much money, so she needs an affordable hotel. She enjoys skiing and long country walks.

5) Choose your answer ...



Andre is going on a business meeting and would like to stay in a hotel where he can use internet access in his room. The hotel must have a car park.

A) Hotel Inn

Located right on Main Street, the most dynamic entertainment destination, the premium city centre location of the hotel offers everything from restaurants and music clubs to exclusive club nights, theatres, cinemas and shopping centres.

B) Cordial Hotel

Lying in the heart of the city Cordial Hotel is surrounded by some of the most beautiful scenery. It is very close to the main bus and train stations and just a ten minute walk from the city centre. Our hotel provides free parking facilities for our house guests.

C) Casa Hotel

Casa Hotel is a fashionable three star hotel perfectly located in a peaceful neighbourhood with a scenic view. Our guests can choose from the most popular sightseeing tours by boat and bus and other programs, such as rural tours.

D) The Viceroy

The Viceroy is a luxury hotel in the heart of Poirott Village offering a vibrant, refreshing holiday experience. The hotel is just a 100 metres to the newly developed Snowman Village and award winning ski school.

E) Mercure Hotel

Located in the heart of the old town, the hotel is connected to Hall Triangle Interchange and is within easy reach of the M18. The hotel offers on site car parking for up to 48 cars. Free WiFi connection is available throughout the hotel.

F) The Link Hotel

Seven hundred metres from the track, this 15 bedroomed family run hotel is set in 5 acres of beautiful grounds. Home cooked meals, cosy bar with log burner. With car parking and free Wi-Fi the hotel provides excellent value.

G) Hotel Mitus

Hotel Mitus is within walking distance of the train station. Situated on the river, the 3-star hotel boasts family services, such as family rooms and a play area. Our hotel is ideal for business travellers, thanks to the free WiFi and desk space in the rooms, as well as the five meeting rooms.

H) Hôtel des Alpes

This cosy family hotel is located incredibly close to nature. It is situated in the middle of the amazing hiking and ski resort in Tyrol at a sunny altitude of 1,100 metres. Our hotel offers good value accommodation.

Reading Part 3

- For each question, choose the correct answer.

In 1969, three people in a tiny spaceship made history with a trip the world will never forget. The three men were Michael Collins, Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin, and Neil Armstrong. The first manned lunar landing mission was called Apollo 11 and their destination was the moon. Tens of thousands of people worked on the Apollo project to send those men to the moon. The project, also known as Apollo program, took 10 years of preparation. The first manned Apollo flight was a disaster because the spacecraft caught fire on the ground. But NASA continued with the Apollo program. During future space missions, the astronauts practiced flying their space crafts. They also performed the tasks they needed to know so they were able to fly to the moon and land on it. On the Apollo 8 mission, the astronauts flew around the Moon ten times. They were almost ready for the first moon landing. The rocket that carried the spacecraft and the astronauts into orbit around the moon was called the Saturn 5. It blasted through space at a speed of at least 25,000 miles an hour. Even at that speed, it took 3 days, 3 hours and 49 minutes to reach the moon. The Apollo 11 mission used a special lunar module designed only for landing on the Moon. It was called the "Eagle". On July 20, 1969, the Eagle landed on the Moon's desolate surface. Only two astronauts actually stepped on the moon that day. Neil Armstrong became the first person to walk on the moon. Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin followed about twenty minutes later. The astronauts set up a TV camera, and the whole world watched the landing on TV. Michael Collins waited for them in the spacecraft and orbited the moon. It was his job to take care of the spacecraft that would take them all home. He had to make certain nothing happened to it!

What is the writer's main purpose in writing the text?

- A)** to talk about Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin
- B)** to talk about the first trip to the moon
- C)** to explain that the first Apollo mission was a disaster
- D)** to explain how difficult it is to travel in space

Which Apollo mission took the first astronauts to land on the Moon?

- A)** Apollo 11
- B)** Apollo 1
- C)** Apollo 8
- D)** Apollo 6

How did the "Eagle" arrive at the moon?

- A)** It was sent there by satellite
- B)** It flew there on its own
- C)** Neil Armstrong sent it there
- D)** It was carried by the Saturn 5 rocket

How many astronauts walked on the moon on July 20, 1969?

- A)** One
- B)** Two
- C)** Three
- D)** Four

What can a reader find out from the text?

- A)** why the Apollo program was so successful
- B)** how much did the Apollo program cost
- C)** when did humans first visit the Moon
- D)** who was the commander of Apollo 11

Reading Part 4

- Five sentences have been removed from the text below. For each question (1-5), choose the correct answer (A-H) There are three extra sentences which you do not need to use

April Fools' Day

The first day of April is known in England as April Fools' Day or All Fools' Day. The idea is to play tricks with other people, to try to make them believe things that are completely untrue. 1) Although most of the tricks are far from original or have been used for a long time, they succeed again and again.

The simplest jokes can involve children who tell each other that their shoelaces are undone. 2) Sometimes people are told that their jackets have been torn or they are sent on a false business errand. 3) They produce sensational news on television, radio as well as in the press. 4) Those who continue to play jokes in the afternoon are April fools themselves.

Several theories have been put forward about how the tradition began. 5) So the origin of the "custom of making April Fools" remains uncertain and unknown.

A) Children stick paper fish to their friends' backs.

B) The media also join in.

C) April Fools' Day is not a national holiday.

D) Both children and adults play all kinds of practical jokes then.

E) Why do we do this, and where did it start?

F) Unfortunately, none of them are very interesting.

G) Then they cry out "April Fool!" when the victims glance at their feet.

H) In the UK the jokes and pranks should stop by noon.

Reading Part 5

- For each question, WRITE the correct answer.

Stop the Invaders

Even if you take good **(1)**of your body, you can still get sick sometimes. Germs can invade even a healthy body! Getting sick can make you feel miserable, but there are some things that you can do to help yourself get better quickly and be more comfortable. The first thing to do when you are not feeling well is to **(2)**your parents know. Sometimes it is hard to tell whether you have a cold, the flu, or something more serious. So your parents may take you to the doctor. Your doctor can **(3)** tests that will let you know what is making you sick. You may be sick because of bacteria. Strep throat is an **(4)**of an illness caused by bacteria. If bacteria has made you sick, your doctor **(5)**give you antibiotics. Antibiotics are medicines that are designed to help your body get rid **(6)**the bacteria that is making you sick.

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| 1. A) care | B) responsibility | C) attention | D) trouble |
| 2. A) admit | B) permit | C) let | D) allow |
| 3. A) do | B) put | C) carry | D) follow |
| 4. A) case | B) model | C) symbol | D) example |
| 5. A) have | B) will | C) is | D) had |
| 6. A) for | B) from | C) of | D) in |

Reading Part 6

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

Saint Patrick's Day

It was really interesting to read **(1)** you celebrate the last day of Carnival (Mardi Gras) in Italy. I'd love to come to see you at that time one year to enjoy it. I'd like to tell you **(2)** our national Irish holiday that we celebrate on the 17th of March, the traditional day of St Patrick's death.

It is celebrated in more countries than any **(3)** national festival. The Irish usually go to church in the morning and then take part in a parade. Drinking, dancing and music **(4)** also part of the festivities later in the day. You can see the colour green everywhere. People paint their faces green, wear green clothes and they even eat green food.

In Chicago, where people celebrate that day as **(5)**, they even dye the Chicago River bright green. The St. Patrick's Day parade in Dublin is now part of a five-day festival. Last year, more **(6)** 500,000 people attended the parade.