



B2 FINAL EXAM – EVOLVE 5A

Name: _____ **Class: 96** _____ **Date:** _____

LISTENING SECTION (0,50 MARKS)

A. Listen to the conversation between Brad and his mother. Then read the questions and choose the correct answer.

1. What has Brad been doing these days?

- A) He's been looking for a job in the field of computer science.
- B) He's been spending a lot of time working on his computer.
- C) He's been planning a summer vacation trip with friends.

2. What would Brad's mother like him to do?

- A) To work on a research project on computer science.
- B) To send his résumé to apply for a full-time position at a store.
- C) To get a summer job so that he is more active and makes some money.

3. What makes Brad consider his mother's suggestion?

- A) The possibility of earning some money and traveling with his friends.
- B) The opportunity of getting some work experience to put on his résumé.
- C) The idea of doing something other than spending the summer in his room.

4. Why doesn't Brad completely agree with his mother's suggestion?

- A) Because he wants to travel the whole summer.
- B) Because he would like to find a better-paid job.
- C) Because he doesn't have much time available.

5. What is Brad planning to do now?

- A) To look for different opportunities.
- B) To go to the store for an interview.
- C) To convince his mother to let him travel.

B. Listen to an interview with Jenny Vidal. Then read the statements and decide if they are True, False or Not Mentioned.

6. Jenny is a professional who helps clients improve their look.

A) True

B) False

C) Not Mentioned

7. Jenny's clients have to answer questions about their appearance and lifestyle.

A) True

B) False

C) Not Mentioned

8. Clients who choose any service usually receive tea, coffee or soda.

A) True

B) False

C) Not Mentioned

9. The Elite service is more complete and is always done at the client's home.

A) True

B) False

C) Not Mentioned

10. Any piece of advice that Jenny provides about style has a price.

A) True

B) False

C) Not Mentioned

READING SECTION (0,50 MARKS)

A. Read the article. Then read the statements and decide if the information is True, False, or Not Given.

To click or not to click

E-commerce is changing the main street and our shopping habits irrevocably. We tell ourselves that shopping online saves us time and money, and that it is a more comfortable way to shop. However, is that actually true? One of the most attractive aspects of online shopping is being able to do it in the comfort of your own home. Not having to go out into the cold, walk long distances, or deal with unpleasant salespeople holds a lot of appeal to most customers. Another advantage is simply the variety and quantity of products available. A website is obviously not limited by space as the bricks-and-mortar stores are. Furthermore, since online stores don't usually have to spend money on rent and are able to purchase larger quantities of each product, they tend to offer lower prices and better discounts than traditional businesses.

However, won't we be missing out on something if the main street stores disappear? What about the event of going shopping itself? Won't we miss the sociable, fun event of meeting with friends and browsing the stores together? Also, going shopping on the main street sometimes means walking around from place to place, which in itself can be very healthy and pleasant exercising. Finally, fans of e-commerce claim it saves us precious time, which could be better spent on more important things. Yet if the items purchased online turn out to be different from what was expected and have to be exchanged, or if packages are delayed or lost and need to be tracked, this may not be the case.

Perhaps there is room for both ways of shopping and we all just need to find the perfect balance that can be the most beneficial to our lives.

1. One advantage of online shopping is that there are more products to choose from.

A) True

B) False

C) Not Given

2. One of the dangers of online shopping is spending too much money.

A) True

B) False

C) Not Given

3. Customers regret their purchases more often when they shop online.

A) True

B) False

C) Not Given

4. Both types of shopping can be time-consuming.

A) True

B) False

C) Not Given

5. Traditional shopping will soon disappear.

A) True

B) False

C) Not Given

B. Read Mariela's story. Then read the questions and choose the correct answers.

A life-changing moment

by Mariela Gomez

We have all experienced, or will at some point experience, certain events that completely change either our views on life or the paths we take in it. In my case, an event that dramatically altered the direction of my life was a chance encounter with a stranger.

When I was about thirty years old, I was in a great place in my life. I had been happily married for a few years and I was fully dedicated to my career as a lawyer. My husband and I had talked briefly about having children but had made a deliberate decision not to. We had concluded that, if we wanted successful careers and fun social lives, we wouldn't be able to have children.

One day, one of my nephews had a minor operation and stayed in the hospital for a few days. The day I visited Lucas, my brother wasn't at the hospital, but Barbara, an aunt of his wife's, was. Barbara was a very direct woman and, in the briefest of conversations, this woman I had never met before asked me whether I planned to have children. The question was a little awkward, but I wound up telling her that we had no intention of having children. She looked me in the eye and said that I could be making the biggest mistake of my life. She left shortly after and I never met her again until a few years later. When I did, I was carrying my daughter Sophia in my arms.

The conversation with Barbara made me question whether I really didn't wish to be a mother. I realized I wanted to, and I am eternally grateful to her for speaking to me in such an honest way. I wouldn't be the happy mother I am today if I hadn't been fortunate enough to meet Barbara that day.

6. How could Mariela be described at the time of the event in the story?

- A) A woman whose career was the most important thing in her life.
- B) A woman who was very close to her family, especially to her brother.
- C) A woman who seemed satisfied with her job and her relationships.

7. Before the event, why had Mariela and her husband decided not to have children?

- A) They wanted to dedicate their time mostly to their work.
- B) They enjoyed spending time with other children in the family.
- C) They thought that their lives would be better without children.

8. Who was Barbara?

- A) A relative of Mariela's.
- B) Someone Mariela didn't know.
- C) A very shy and reserved person.

9. How could the conversation between Barbara and Mariela be described?

- A) It was a strange conversation for Mariela, but it made her think.
- B) It was a long conversation that made Mariela think about her values.
- C) It was an interesting conversation about Lucas and other children in the family.

10. How does Mariela feel about the event now?

- A) She feels lucky for having had the chance encounter.
- B) She questions why moments like this happen to people.
- C) She thinks it was the reason why she regrets becoming a mother.

USE OF LANGUAGE (0,50 MARKS)
GRAMMAR

A. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses ().

1. If only I _____ anything, but I'm so sad. (**not / feel**)
2. I wish we _____ in the countryside. It would be so much quieter. (**can / live**)
3. I wish I _____ the answer to this question, but I have no idea. (**know**)
4. If only we _____ to this neighborhood. I really don't like it. (**not / move**)
5. I wish you _____ me about Simon. I'm very upset about it. (**not / tell**)

B. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

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6. Why don't you come over for dinner? It would _____ your mind off things.
7. She was a very smart woman, and she _____ a lasting impression on me.
8. His paintings and sculptures definitely _____ my imagination. They were stunning.
9. Failing the test in chemistry has really _____ my day. I'm so disappointed.
10. To _____ your mind at rest, we should check the status of the flight.

C. Choose the correct answer.

11. Aiden repaired the car exceptionally _____. It looked very complicated!

A) easy

B) easily

12. I'm really pleased with your grades. I'm especially _____ that you managed to pass geography.

A) happy

B) happily

13. The ice-skating performances were all physically _____.

A) impressive

B) impressively

14. The first part of the test was fine, but the second part I did particularly _____ on.

A) bad

B) badly

15. Are you sure that this experiment will be technically _____.

A) safe

B) safely

D. Rewrite the sentences with the gerund form of the verb in parentheses () in the correct position.

16. Nick should concentrate on the questions in the exam. (answer)

17. Most people are afraid of spiders of any type. (touch)

18. The cost of a house in my town has risen recently. (buy)

19. The idea of a vacation at home doesn't have any appeal to me. (spend)

20. We are concerned about the pollution of the air. (reduce)

E. Choose the correct answer.

- 21. This bad weather may prevent most people from *going / to go* to the beach.
- 22. My mom advised me *taking / to take* a heavy coat in case it snowed.
- 23. Did Noah expect Mia *assisting / to assist* him with the project?
- 24. These meditation techniques have been helping the patients *relax / relaxing*.
- 25. His manager encouraged him *trying / to try* harder next time.

F. Rewrite the sentences in the passive form.

26. Someone has changed some of the figures in my report.

27. We aren't going to repair your house this summer.

28. The hotel staff leaves some chocolates on the pillows.

29. At the party, a young woman was painting the children's faces.

30. A computer will choose the names of the winners.

G. Decide if these sentences are grammatically Correct (C) or Incorrect (I).

31. When he was in college, my husband used to teach to swim. C / I
32. My boyfriend and I chose to get married in the fall. C / I
33. We hope them to finish the meeting on time today. C / I
34. They agreed to meet us outside the movie theater. C / I
35. Our parents always told to be kind and polite. C / I

H. Choose the correct answer.

36. The library _____ in twenty minutes. Please return your books to any of the librarians.
A) is closing B) might close
37. They _____ a house downtown to be near their children.
A) will be buying B) are going to buy
38. There _____ a lot of interest in this product. The last one they designed was a great success.
A) may be B) isn't going to be
39. We _____ your services after the spring vacation.
A) are not needing B) won't be needing
40. I think _____ this afternoon. I can feel it in the air.
A) it's raining B) it's going to rain

VOCABULARY

I. Match the words to the descriptions.

- 41. Somebody who knows what they want and works hard to get it is. ____
- 42. Somebody who is good at sports is. ____
- 43. Somebody who is good at thinking of new, original, and exciting ideas is. ____
- 44. Somebody who is good at playing the piano and singing is. ____
- 45. Somebody who is good at understanding data or problems is. ____

- A) imaginative
- B) analytical
- C) determined
- D) athletic
- E) musical

J. Choose the correct answer.

A

B

- 46. Everyone in my family has a very slim **build / gender**, and none of us are very tall.
- 47. I think that Carla likes Miguel. And I think they would be a great **likeness / match** because they both have similar hobbies and interests.
- 48. The vet is looking at the kitten to find out its **likeness / gender**.
- 49. My brother and I are a lot alike, and we have very similar features and **matches / characteristics**.
- 50. The new baby elephant is a **male / female**. The zoo director named her Zoe.

K. Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

A rumor	B suspicious	C trustworthy
D controversial		E exaggerated

51. There can't have been thousands of people at the concert. I think the report is _____.
52. If you shop online, make sure that the site is _____ and safe.
53. The _____ about the exam being too difficult spread through the school.
54. Politics is usually a _____ topic. Please avoid discussing it at the dinner party tonight.
55. I think he was hiding information, because he acted in a very _____ way.

L. Choose the correct answer.

56. It was _____ that I forgot his birthday. I won't do it again.
- A) the hard way B) unfortunate C) in too much of a hurry
57. I turned left instead of right. What a _____!
- A) hard way B) funny side C) silly mistake
58. My two best friends are not talking to each other, so I'm constantly finding myself _____.
- A) incompetent B) in too much of a hurry C) in awkward situations
59. She answered the wrong question in the test, which was _____ to do.
- A) a dumb thing B) an awkward situation C) a funny side
60. I am _____ for having said such a foolish thing.
- A) kicking myself B) finding myself C) watching myself

WRITING SECTION (0,50 points)

Topic: WRITE A REVIEW ABOUT THIS B2 ENGLISH COURSE

Task:

Write an opinion essay expressing your point of view about whether you liked or not this course.

Consider to include:

- Give your reasons of why you liked or disliked.
- Consider the results by using the following expressions: *so, therefore, as a result, consequently*.

Structure:

- Introduction – *State your position – describe the course*
- Body Paragraph 1 – *Describe what you like or didnt like ...*
- Body Paragraph 2 – *Describe your what the teacher did ...*
- Conclusion- *Give your final thoughts and some recommendations.*

✚ **Write:** 100 – 120 words.