

English Exam
3rd Evaluation
(Listening, Reading & Use of English).

I. Listen to the interview. For questions 1-7, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

1. What does Rob say about the job of party planning?
A: It's enjoyable but quite stressful.
B: It makes going to parties more fun.
C: It's not a good job for shy people.
2. How did Rob get started in party planning?
A: He was encouraged by his parents.
B: A chance meeting led to employment.
C: An events company was looking for an artist.
3. What does Rob say about celebrity clients?
A: They try to pay less money for their parties.
B: They are rather difficult to work with.
C: They are less demanding than other wealthy people.
4. What was the problem with monkeys being involved in one party?
A: They cost too much money.
B: They were a danger to guests.
C: They caused a lot of mess.
5. In Rob's opinion, the essential ingredient for a successful party is
A: the imagination of a planner.
B: the size of the party space.
C: the people who attend.
6. What does Rob enjoy most about his job?
A: having the opportunity to meet celebrities.
B: being in an unpredictable situation.
C: earning a considerable amount of money.
7. What does Rob plan to do in the future?
A: Expand into other kinds of event planning.
B: Attract more celebrity customers.
C: Employ someone to help him.

II. You are going to read four reports by teenagers who have gone on a school trip to a city. For questions 1-10, choose from the four people A-D. The people may be chosen more than once.

School city trips

A

I wasn't that keen on going on the London trip with my school. It was a whole weekend away from home, which was something I'd never done before, and I was a bit anxious. But I needn't have worried. We were so busy having fun that I didn't have time to miss anyone! Our school is in quite a remote part of England, and the thing that really **struck me** about London was the huge variety of people there from lots of different cultures. Just walking around the shops, I heard so many different languages spoken. Our hotel was nice enough. The staff made us feel welcome. I shared a room with two friends, and we stayed up rather late chatting, so we were exhausted the next day. One thing I will say is, London isn't cheap! Next time I'll bring more money – but I'm not sure when that will be.



B

The school trip to Lisbon was a fabulous experience. There were about twenty of us, plus four teachers on this week-long visit. Students from the year above and below were among us, and I got pretty close to quite a few people I'd never spoken to much before, so that was a **bonus**. For accommodation, we were split into six groups and we each stayed in the home of a different host family. I thought that might be a bit **awkward**, but the family we stayed with made us feel so at home and put us at ease immediately. I couldn't believe how lovely they were. During the day we met up with the rest of the group and did sightseeing and stuff. The food was amazing, and considering Lisbon is a capital city, surprisingly reasonable. I hope to go back sometime in the future.



C

Vienna wasn't my first choice of city to go to on the school trip – but we had a vote, and it was the most popular choice, so I decided to go along anyway. I'm glad I did. The hostel we stayed in was quite unique. The rooms were decorated with graffiti and modern art – very hip and fashionable. The person I shared a room with was a classmate who I got on fine with, which was a relief. I didn't sleep particularly well, however, as it was mid-summer and the air conditioning wasn't working properly. Apart from this disappointment (the accommodation the school booked wasn't exactly **budget** class), we did have a great time. What a wonderful city! It's absolute heaven for a 'culture vulture' like me, with such a variety of art and history to experience. I'm going to convince my parents to book us on a trip there this winter.



D

Although Paris is one of the most beautiful cities in the world, the people have a **reputation** for being a bit unfriendly. So I was a little bit worried about that – but I shouldn't have been, because it didn't matter. There are so many things to do that it is impossible to fit it all in to a long weekend. One day we had the choice of going to see the art in the Louvre, or climbing the Eiffel Tower. I chose the tower, which turned out to be a shame because the weather was poor. Those who went to the Louvre said it was incredible and everyone should go there. Never mind. The next day was better, and I went with a few others on a bicycle tour of the city, which is definitely worth the money if you're ever in Paris with a few hours to spare.



Which person:

1. was uncomfortable in their accommodation?
2. regretted a decision they made?
3. overcame an initial fear?
4. expected things to be more expensive?
5. intends to repeat the experience soon?
6. was surprised by how welcoming people were?
7. was pleased to make several new friends?
8. thought the place they stayed in was very trendy?
9. was impressed by the diverse character of the city?
10. recommends doing something they did?

III. For questions 1-8, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line. USE ONLY CAPITAL LETTERS.

Friends

The (0) *majority* of people have at least one friend – but how many people have given serious thought to the importance of friends and (1) _____ in their lives? Recent research into social problems such as homelessness, divorce and obesity has found that much of the (2) _____ for these problems is down to loneliness. When you are in trouble, a good friend can offer (3) _____ support, giving you strength and confidence in your time of need. If they are able, they can also give you (4) _____ help.

But friends are not only for the hard times. When things are going well, true friends provide (5) _____. And, of course, it's not just a one-way street. Friends help each other to be the best they can be. Got exams coming up? Forming a study group among friends can make revising much more (6) _____.

Training for a sports (7) _____? Train together! Treasure your friends and they will treasure you. They are more (8) _____ than anything you can own.

MAJOR

FRIEND

RESPONSIBLE

EMOTION

PRACTICE

ENCOURAGE

EFFECT

COMPETE

VALUE