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**INSTRUCTIONS**

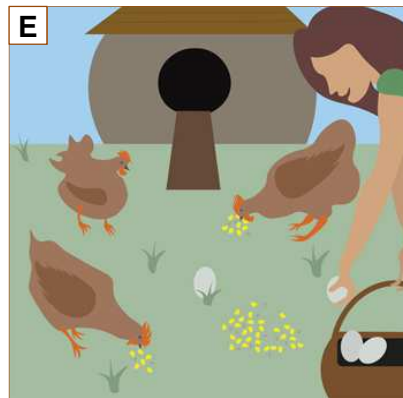
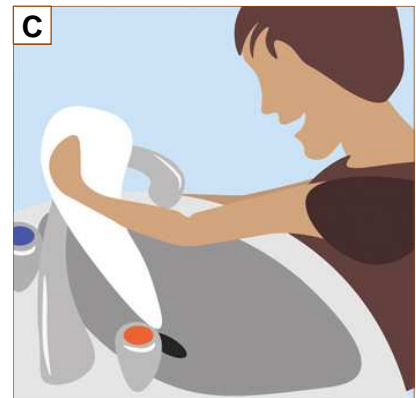
- Do not open this booklet until the exam starts.
- The order of the exam papers is: PART A Listening, PART B Reading & Usage, PART C Writing.
- Time allowed for all three parts: 90 minutes

# A LISTENING (25 points) Time: approximately 20 minutes

- As you listen to the recording, mark your answers in this booklet.
- Answer all the questions. Give only one answer for each question.
- After the end of the recording, you will have 3 minutes to transfer your answers onto your Answer Sheet. Mark them in 2H or HB pencil.

## LISTENING EXERCISE 1: Numbers 1 to 8

### We Help at Home



Write the letter of a picture, A to F, in each of the spaces, 1 to 8.  
You will use some letters more than once.

1. \_\_\_\_      2. \_\_\_\_      3. \_\_\_\_      4. \_\_\_\_  
5. \_\_\_\_      6. \_\_\_\_      7. \_\_\_\_      8. \_\_\_\_

**LISTENING EXERCISE 2: Numbers 9 to 15****CHEAP HOLIDAY FUN**

Choose the correct number, word or phrase to complete each sentence, 9 to 15.

**Circle** its letter, A, B or C.

9. In Paris, Patty's family paid \_\_\_\_ euros to go up the Eiffel Tower.  
A. 60                                      B. 6                                      C. 4
10. This year, Patty's family will \_\_\_\_.  
A. go to Paris again    B. leave the city    C. see the Acropolis
11. To see the sea, Steve must \_\_\_\_.  
A. get a key                      B. cross the street    C. go to another building
12. Patty goes for walks to \_\_\_\_.  
A. find new friends    B. see new areas    C. go shopping
13. Steve tells Patty and Joe about \_\_\_\_.  
A. his friends                      B. a shoe-maker    C. another country
14. To save money, Patty eats in a \_\_\_\_.  
A. park                                      B. cheap restaurant    C. café
15. \_\_\_\_ photographs with a phone camera.  
A. Only Patty takes    B. Only Steve takes    C. Both Patty and Steve take

# B

## READING & USAGE (50 points)

- You are advised to spend about 40 minutes on this part of the test.
- You may mark your answers on this booklet while you are working on them.
- Answer all the questions. Give only one answer for each question.

### READING & USAGE EXERCISE 1: Numbers 16 to 25

Read the text. Then do the exercises on page 4.

## Wild Nature's Web Page for Kids

Are you going outdoors on your holiday? *Wild Nature* wants you to have fun, to learn about nature and to be safe. Here are some ideas.

**A**

### Go for Walks

You can learn a lot about nature. Look at the flowers and trees. Get our *Flowers* book and learn their names. You can also learn about birds.

Stay Safe Idea: You're walking and you see a snake. What can you do? First, don't go too close. Stay about 2.5 metres away. Most snakes can't hurt you, but a few may bite. If you don't know, don't go any closer. Just watch it or walk away from it.

**B**

### Look Under Rocks

Don't walk too fast. Stop and look at little things. Pick up a rock and see the animals under it. You may find some insects - usually, little ones, like ants - or other small animals.

Stay Safe Idea: Don't pick up the insects or animals. Just watch them. Then put the rock back. Be very careful, so you don't hurt the animals or insects.

**C**

### Sleep in a Tent

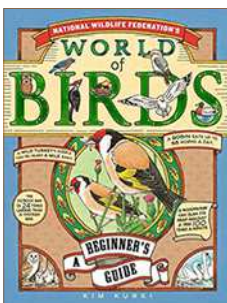
If you stay in a wild area at night, you can learn a lot. Some animals sleep all day and come out at night to look for food. If you sit quietly by your fire or sleep in a tent, you will hear many unusual things. If you hear an animal near your tent, don't be afraid. It usually won't hurt you. Animals just want food and they don't eat people. In fact, most wild animals are afraid of people.

Stay Safe Idea: Never keep food in your tent. Put it in a safe place outside your tent. Animals also do not like fire. They will not come near your fire. But be careful! You don't want to burn down the forest!

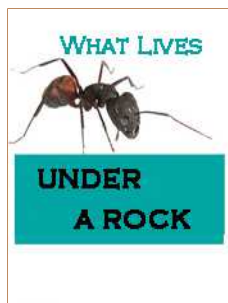
Choose the correct word or phrase to complete each sentence, 16 to 20.  
Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.

16. Don't go too close to a snake, because it \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. can't hurt you  
B. may bite you  
C. may walk away
17. You may find \_\_\_\_\_ if you look under a rock.  
A. some ants  
B. some lions  
C. both ants and lions
18. If you look under a rock, put it back carefully or you may \_\_\_\_\_ some animals.  
A. help  
B. see  
C. hurt
19. You hear some animals only at night because they \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. are sleeping  
B. feel hungry  
C. want to eat you
20. An animal may come close if you \_\_\_\_\_ your tent.  
A. have food in  
B. have a fire near  
C. go very far from

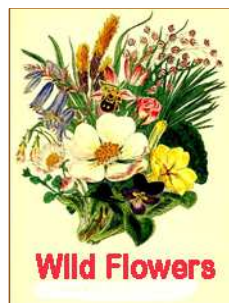
Choose the correct part of the text to match each book.  
Mark its letter, A, B, or C, on your Answer Sheet.  
You will use some letters more than once.



21. \_\_\_\_\_



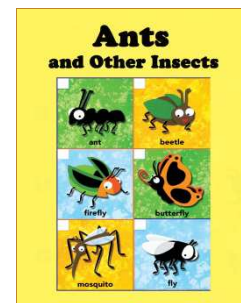
22. \_\_\_\_\_



23. \_\_\_\_\_



24. \_\_\_\_\_



25. \_\_\_\_\_

**READING & USAGE EXERCISE 2: Numbers 26 to 30**

Choose the correct word to fill each gap.

Mark its letter, A to F, on your Answer Sheet.

You will use only five of the letters.

**Phone Call from Greece to the USA**

Ten years ago, it cost a lot to make a phone call to other countries. Now, it's very (26). So, you can ring a cousin in New York, USA, and pay very little. The only (27) is the time. What time can you call from Greece that's good for the (28) in the USA? Greece is seven hours later than New York. That means, if it's 12 noon in Greece, it's 5:00 a.m. in New York. No one (29) up that early!



Your cousin in New York gets home at 4:00 in the afternoon. That's 11:00 at night in Greece and you're asleep! So call at the (30) in the afternoon. Then it's late morning in New York, and both you and your cousin are at home and awake.

- A. weekend
- B. problem
- C. wakes
- D. cheap
- E. Saturday
- F. person

**READING & USAGE EXERCISE 3: Numbers 31 to 35**

Choose the correct word or phrase to fill each gap.

Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.

**Steve's New House**

Steve's dad, George, builds houses. For 15 years, George (31) houses for other people. Last year, he had (32) money to buy a house for his own family. It was an old house and it needed a lot of work. First, George (33) a plan and made a list. After that, he and Steve went shopping. (34) got new windows and paint for the walls. It took a month to finish the work, and (35) the family moved in. They were all very happy!

31. A. built    B. build    C. building
32. A. much    B. many    C. enough
33. A. drew    B. draws    C. is drawing
34. A. We    B. They    C. You
35. A. then    B. after    C. when





**READING & USAGE EXERCISE 4: Numbers 36 to 40****TRY TO WIN THE RACE!**

Here are some pictures of people who like to race.  
Choose a picture to match each statement about the people.  
Mark its letter, A to D, on your Answer Sheet.  
You will use one letter more than once.



36. Kate runs in the stadium very early in the morning. No one is there and it's very quiet.  
37. Elton races in the country. He runs across farms and fields and climbs over walls and fences.  
38. Ted hurt his legs and now he can't run. He still enters competitions and wins a lot of races.  
39. Jacki's road race is 42 km long. She's never won one, but she doesn't mind. It's great fun!  
40. The people in the street help me finish. I run by and they shout "Keep going! You can do it!"

**READING & USAGE EXERCISE 5: Numbers 41 to 45**

Jim and Zoe are talking about plans for a show at their dance school.  
Match one of Zoe's answers with each thing Jim says.  
Mark its letter, A to G, on your Answer Sheet. You will use only five of the letters.

Example: Jim: *Have they said when our dance show is?*

Zoe: (EX)

The answer is A. *Yes, it's going to be on May 21<sup>st</sup>.*

A B C D E F G H

Jim: *Have they said when our dance show is?*

Zoe: (EX)

Jim: *The 21<sup>st</sup>? Oh, no! I want to leave on the 20<sup>th</sup>.*

Zoe: (41)

Jim: *To Paris, to spend the summer with my aunt.*

Zoe: (42)

Jim: *Why can't I?*

Zoe: (43)

Jim: *Well, yes. I have to be here for you, don't I?*

Zoe: (44)

Jim: *No, I haven't. So, I can still buy a later one.*

Zoe: (45)

Jim: *Or the 23<sup>rd</sup>. I'll need to rest before I fly!*

- A. *Yes, it's going to be on May 21<sup>st</sup>.*  
B. *But you can't go! Not on the 20<sup>th</sup>!*  
C. *Because we're a team! Who will I dance with if you're gone?*  
D. *Right! You can buy one for the 22<sup>nd</sup>, the day after the show!*  
E. *You're not a good dancer.*  
F. *Leave? Where are you going?*  
G. *Yes, you do. Look, have you got your plane ticket yet?*

# C WRITING (25 points)

- You are advised to spend about 30 minutes on this part of the test.
- You may use a blank sheet of paper as a draft.
- Write your task in the space provided on the back of your Answer Sheet in pencil or pen.

You have **ONE** writing task to do. Choose **either** Topic A **or** Topic B.

Write your task in about **70** words on your Answer Sheet.

## EITHER THIS TOPIC

**TOPIC A:** Look at this picture of people at the dentist's.

**In about 70 words, describe the picture and say what is happening in it.**

Use the words under the picture.

Add any other words you wish.

**Begin like this:** *Tom is waiting to see the dentist. ...*



Tom-wait-see-dentist  
other people-wait  
there be not-chair  
Tom-stand-text-phone

woman-sit-near Tom  
dentist-go-clean-teeth  
son-sit-floor  
play-toy

secretary-be-office  
call-patient  
near-office-woman-talk  
all-wait-all want-leave



## OR THIS TOPIC

**TOPIC B:** Look at the pictures of Sam, his bank and his shopping.

**In about 70 words, write what happened.**

Use the words below each picture.

Add any other words you wish.

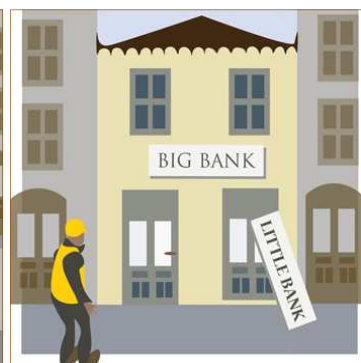
**Begin like this:** *Things have changed in Sam's town. ...*



thing-change-Sam-town  
bank-be-near-home



walk-get-money-shopping  
ATM machine-always-open



big bank-buy-little bank  
change-name



last year-close-bank  
when-need-money-take-bus



at-night-use-card-buy-thing  
later-use-phone-pay



like-people-old bank  
now-also like-phone

**[A1 LISTENING TEST – 17A]****Scripts****1 – WE HELP AT HOME****2 – CHEAP HOLIDAY FUN**

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**[intro music]**

**ANNC** Hello, students. This is your A1 Listening test. Before we start, please make sure that your name and code number are on the front of your Test Booklet.

**[5 sec]**

**[A1 - 1 – WE HELP AT HOME ]****ANNC****NARRator**

**ANNC** Now, open your Test Booklet. As you listen, write your answers in this Test Booklet. At the end of the test, you will have time to mark your answers on the computerised Answer Sheet.

Now, let's go on. Look at Listening Exercise ONE. You can see six pictures of young people. They're helping at home. Each picture has a letter. You will hear EIGHT questions about the pictures and you will use the letters to match each picture to a question. You will use some letters more than once.

Now, take a short time to look at Listening Exercise ONE in your Test Booklet.

**[20 sec]**

**ANNC** Good. Now, when you hear each question, write the letter of the correct picture in the spaces, 1 to 8, at the bottom of the page. You will hear this exercise just once, but you will hear each question twice. Are you ready?

**NARR** Number 1. After dinner, Jim and his sister, Beth, do the washing up. Where can you see them?

After dinner, Jim and his sister, Beth, do the washing up. Where can you see them?

Just write the letter of the picture in space number one.

**[3 sec]**

**NARR** Number 2. Jason cleans the bathroom on Saturdays. He washes the basin and uses a soft, cotton towel on the taps to make them shine. Where can you see Jason?

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**[3 sec]**

**NARR** Number 3. Every morning, Sally feeds her family's chickens. She also puts their eggs in a basket. Which picture shows Sally?

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**[3 sec]**

Number 4. Maria sweeps the kitchen every evening after supper. Which picture shows Maria with a broom?

Maria sweeps the kitchen every evening after supper. Which picture shows Maria with a broom?

**[3 sec]**

**NARR** Number 5. Bill's mother is a doctor. If she's very tired after work, he brings her a nice cup of tea. Where can you see Bill and his mum?

Bill's mother is a doctor. If she's very tired after work, he brings her a nice cup of tea. Where can you see Bill and his mum?

**[3 sec]**

**NARR** Number 6. Gina is learning to look after her own clothes. She carries the basket of clothes to her room, and then she puts them away. Where can you see this?

Gina is learning to look after her own clothes. She carries the basket of clothes to her room, and then she puts them away. Where can you see this?

**[3 sec]**

**NARR** Number 7. Where can you see a girl and her brother in their kitchen?

Where can you see a girl and her brother in their kitchen?

**[3 sec]**

**NARR** Number 8. Most of these young people are helping inside their house. Which picture shows someone outside?

Most of these young people are helping inside their house. Which picture shows someone outside?

**[3 sec]**

**ANNC** That's the end of the first exercise. Take a short time to finish your answers.

**[10 sec]**

**[no repeat]**



**[A1 - 2 – CHEAP HOLIDAY FUN] 342 wds**

**CHEAP HOLIDAY FUN**

**Interviewer – adult male**

**Guests – young female, young male**

**ANNC**

**ANNC** In this exercise, you will hear a conversation about cheap ways to have fun. Before you listen, take a short time to look at the questions for Listening Exercise TWO in your Test Booklet.

**[20 sec]**

**ANNC** Good. You will hear a radio programme called Teen Talk with Joe Carrigan. Joe is asking his two young guests, Patty Pappas and Steve Smith, how we can have fun in the summer but not spend much money. As you listen to the programme, choose the correct number, word or phrase to complete each sentence, 9 to 15. Circle its letter, A, B, or C, on your Answer Sheet.

Now, here is the programme. Are you ready?

**[intro music – lively]**

**JOE** A lot of families have to be very careful with their money these days. It's hard for young people to have fun. So, we'd like to ask our guests for some ideas. Patty?

**PATTY** Well, Joe, last year, my family went to Paris. We went to the top of the Eiffel Tower. I loved it! But the tickets cost 60 euros for four of us.

**JOE** Ouch! That's a lot!

**PATTY** I know! So, we're not going away on holiday this year. But we live in Athens and we'll go to see the Acropolis! Lots of people do, and, on Sundays, we don't have to pay.

**STEVE** Joe, I've got a better idea!

**JOE** Let's hear it, Steve.

**STEVE** I live in a tall building and my mum has the key for the roof door. Down on the street, you only see other buildings. But from the roof, we can see the sea. So, I get the key from my mum and go up to my roof!

**JOE** Clever idea!

**PATTY** I also go for walks with my friends. We don't go far away, but we try to see other areas and I look for new shops for my mum. She likes little shops with clothes and shoes.

**STEVE** Yeah, my friends and I do that, too. Once, I found a man who repairs shoes. And he also makes shoes! You don't see that very often!

**JOE** So, it's almost like seeing things in another country.

**P & S** Yeah! That's right!

**JOE** But, you don't have to go to restaurants or cafés *like on holiday*.

**PATTY** Right! I take a snack from home and sit in a park to eat it.

**STEVE** My friends and I do that. And we also play basketball or football. There are a lot of free places to do that.

**PATTY** And I take photographs with the camera on my phone.

**STEVE** Yeah, me, too! From my roof!

**JOE** These are really good ideas! We don't have to go far or spend a lot of money to have fun. And listeners, let us know your ideas. [fade]Send us a tweet or Instagram picture @TeenTalk ...

[exit music]

**ANNC** Now take a short time to look at your answers. Then you will hear the programme again.

[15 sec]

**ANNC** Now, here is the programme again. Are you ready?

[repeat, "A lot of families have to be ... to ... Instagram picture @TeenTalk ..."]

**ANNC** That's the end of the second exercise. Take a short time to finish your answers.

[15 sec]

**ANNC** That's the end of the listening test. You now have a short time to mark your answers on the computerized Answer Sheet. Mark them in pencil. Thank you.

[exit music]



**ΕΞΕΤΑΣΕΙΣ LAAS - ΜΑΙΟΣ 2017**  
**ΛΥΣΕΙΣ ΑΓΓΛΙΚΩΝ**

<b>A1</b>	
<b>Parts A &amp; B</b>	
<b>1 B</b>	<b>41 F</b>
<b>2 C</b>	<b>42 B</b>
<b>3 E</b>	<b>43 C</b>
<b>4 D</b>	<b>44 G</b>
<b>5 A</b>	<b>45 D</b>
<b>6 F</b>	
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