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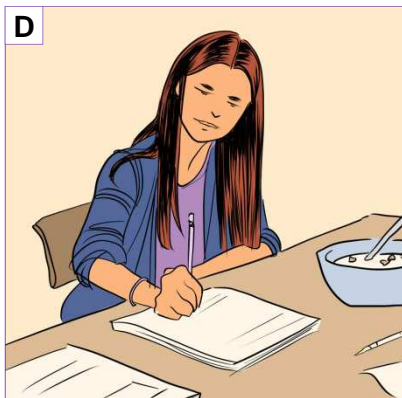
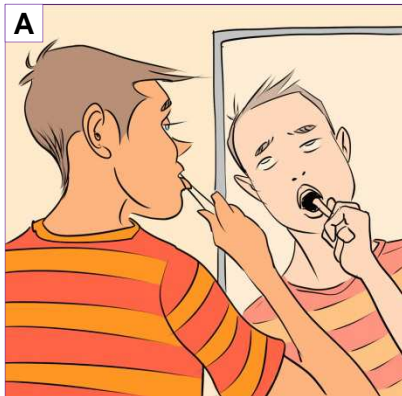
- Do not open this booklet until the exam starts.
- The order of the exam papers is: PART A Listening, PART B Reading & Usage, PART C Writing.
- Time allowed for all three parts: 90 minutes

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

IN THE MORNING



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**SUZI and 'THE SALTIES'**

Salties - 2019

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

Circle its letter, A, B or C.

9. Suzi and The Salties are in Paris to ____.
- A. be in a competition B. play in a club C. have music lessons

10. Suzi studied music in ____.
- A. Thessaloniki only B. London only C. both cities

11. In England, Suzi had to speak English ____.
- A. with her family
B. at school and in lessons
C. everywhere

Gingerbreads - 1963

12. Suzi found the other Salties ____.
- A. in Greece B. in England C. on the Internet

13. Suzi plays guitar, Maria sings and Katya plays the ____.
- A. piano B. guitar C. drums

14. In the Salties band, there are ____.
- A. three men B. only women C. two women and a man

15. Suzi is ____ because there are not many all-women rock bands.
- A. angry B. sad C. happy



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.

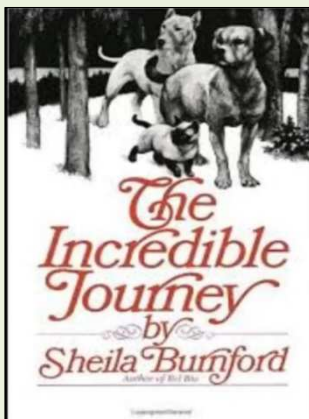
The Incredible Journey: A book about a very long trip

The Incredible Journey is a 1961 book about three very brave animals. People loved the book, and Walt Disney made it into a film. Later, it was a TV show.

The story is about three pets that go on a very long trip. There are two dogs – old Bodger and young Luath – and a cat named Tao. They lived with an English family in Canada. In that part of Canada, there were big forests, a lot of rivers, and some farms and small towns. There weren't many people.

The animals' family, the Hunters, had to go to England for two months. The Hunters left the three animals with their good friend John Longridge. John lived about 400 kilometres away, but he visited the Hunters often. The animals knew him and liked him, and John's house seemed to be the best place for them.

The Hunters took Bodger, Luath and Tao to John's and left on their trip. A week later, John had to go away for a few days. He asked his neighbour, Mrs. Oakes, to feed the animals for him. But the animals didn't know that, and they didn't see any people around. So, they left to go home. Mrs. Oakes came with their dinner, but they were gone.

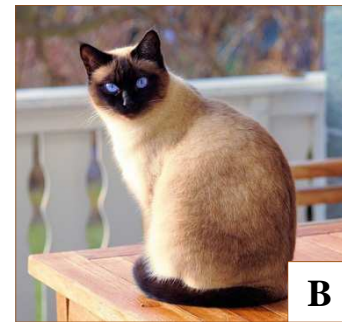
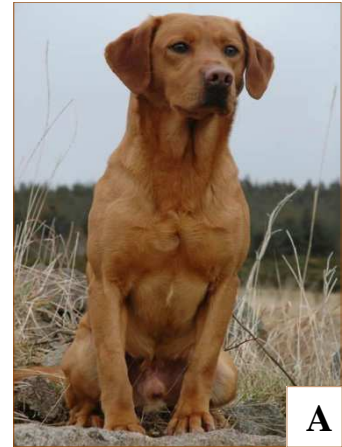


And THAT was the start of their “incredible” journey! It's hard to believe: The dogs and cat walked 400 kilometres back to the Hunters' home! They didn't have a map, but they found it, How? Nobody knows!

On the way, they got hungry and tired. They fell into rivers and had a fight with a bear. But they helped each other and they got home. They arrived home a month after the Hunters got back from England. Everyone was very happy to see them!

Choose the correct word or phrase to fill each gap.
Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.

16. *The Incredible Journey* is a book about ____.
A. Disney's film B. a TV show C. three pets
17. The Bodger, Luath and Tao lived ____.
A. with a family B. in a city C. on a farm
18. Before their trip, the Hunters left the animals ____.
A. at home alone B. with a friend C. in England
19. The animals ____ John Longridge.
A. didn't know B. liked C. didn't like
20. Mrs. Oakes went to John's house to ____ the animals.
A. feed B. play with C. clean
21. The animal's trip to their home was ____.
A. very easy
B. a lot of fun
C. long and hard
22. The Hunters ____ their three pets.
A. were angry with
B. went out to find
C. got home before



Match a picture on the right to each animal, 23 to 25.
Mark its letter, A to D, on your Answer Sheet.
You will use only three of the letters.

23. **Bodger** was a very old 'bull terrier' dog. He had short legs, small ears and short white hair. He was a strong fighter, but he was old and he slept, a lot! He and the cat were very good friends.
24. **Tao** had light brown fur and a dark brown face with large blue eyes. Tao was clever, strong and brave. He found food for himself and the dogs.
25. **Luath** was a young 'Labrador retriever' dog. He was a large animal, with long ears, brown eyes and red-brown hair. He liked Tao, but he loved old Bodger. He also loved to run and bark.

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.

Travel to Brigadoon?

Last week, I saw an old __(26)__ on TV about a pretty village in Scotland called Brigadoon. The __(27)__ dressed in very old clothes but they sang and danced a lot and were very nice. I wanted to visit it, so I looked for a __(28)__. Well, I learned something! You can't go by plane to Brigadoon, because it



doesn't have an __(29)__. You can't get there by train or bus! It isn't on any map. Brigadoon isn't real! You can only find it at the __(30)__!

Brigadoon, MGM Studios, 1954

A. airport

B. people

C. cinema

D. film

E. sail

F. ticket

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.

Harry Chooses a Sport

Harry wanted __(31)__ a sport, but he didn't know which sport. He didn't like ball games and he wasn't a __(32)__ runner. But Harry was the strongest boy in __(33)__ class, So, he chose the gymnastics team. The coach helped him a lot, and Harry __(34)__ very good on the rings. He won competitions and a 'gold' __(35)__ the Olympics.



31. A. to do B. did C. done
 32. A. last B. fast C. first
 33. A. her B. his C. him
 34. A. started B. happened C. became
 35. A. in B. about C. to

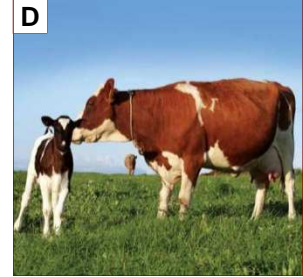
READING & USAGE EXERCISE 4: Numbers 36 to 40**WHAT ABOUT THESE ANIMALS?**

Here are some pictures of animals.

Choose a picture to match each statement about animals.

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

You will use one letter more than once.



36. Pepi, the monkey, is an actor in films. He lives in the city, but he likes the jungle more.
37. Jeremiah lives in a wet place. He's green-brown and he likes to sit on a leaf in the water.
38. A lot of people name their pet parrot 'Polly'. Polly likes a nice biscuit to eat.
39. Every day, Elsie makes good milk for Farmer Ted. Ted gives it to his kids to drink.
40. This animal has wings. Why doesn't she fly away?

READING & USAGE EXERCISE 5: Numbers 41 to 45**ANN, HER ROOM and HER MUM**

Read the text. Then say if each statement is true or not.

Mark A for True or B for False on your Answer Sheet.

It's Saturday. Ann's at home and her mother wants Ann to clean her room. But, Ann doesn't need to clean today. She did it yesterday, after school. She also hung her clothes in her cupboard. Her mum doesn't know. She's been busy and she hasn't looked at Ann's room. Ann doesn't have much homework to do. She has to write an essay, but it will only take her about half an hour. So, Ann's mum is happy. Ann needs new shoes and now they'll have time to go shopping.



41. ____ Ann is not at school today.
42. ____ Ann's room is dirty.
43. ____ Ann has already put her clothes in her cupboard.
44. ____ It will take Ann all day to do her homework.
45. ____ Ann and her mother may go out to buy something.

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 Bob and his class at the beach.

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: *Summer is coming and ...*



summer-come
science class-clean-beach
Bob-Sue-pick up-paper-plastic
wear-glove-put-bag

Steve-count-plastic bottle
write-number-to tell-class
Jen-put-bottle-bag-again
be a lot-bottle-a lot-bag

Sue-Jim-put-food-table
be-lots of-sandwich-drink
all-student-work-hard
afternoon-have-picnic

OR THIS TOPIC

TOPIC B: Look at the pictures of a comic book team.

In about 70 words, write what happened.

Use the words below each picture.
Add any other words you wish.

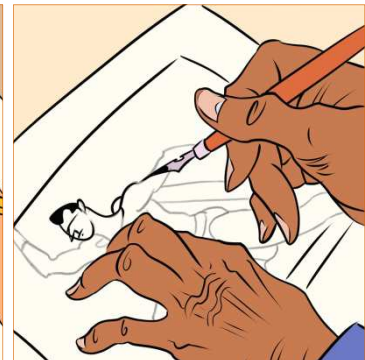
Begin like this: *Ben's friends helped him make a new comic book. ...*



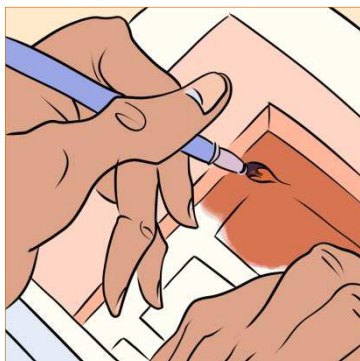
Ben-friend-help-make-comic
Ben-Gigi-write-story



Julie-draw-picture-pencil
be-good artist



Pete-make-drawing black
use-pen-do-job



Ben-send-pictures-Matt
Matt-add-colour-paintbrush



Ann-put-word-white circle
write-well-so-easy-read



sell-book-school fair
all-name-be-first page

[A1 LISTENING TEST – 19A]**Scripts****1 – IN THE MORNING****2 – SUZI and ‘THE SALTIES’**

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[intro music]

ANNC Hello, students. This is your A1 Listening test. Before we start, please write your first and last name on the front of your Test Booklet.

[5 sec]

[A1 - 1 – IN THE MORNING]**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 the people in *the Martin* family. They are at home in the morning. 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. Aiki is tired in the evening. So she does her homework in the morning before breakfast. Where can you see Aiki?

Aiki is tired in the evening. So she does her homework in the morning before breakfast. Where can you see Aiki?

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

[3 sec]

NARR Number 2. Mum is a school teacher. She has a shower and washes her hair. Then she leaves for work very early. Which picture shows Mum?

Mum is a school teacher. She has a shower and washes her hair. Then she leaves for work very early. Which picture shows Mum?

[3 sec]

NARR Number 3. Dad goes to work at his office at 10 a.m. So he has time to make breakfast for Tom and Aiki. Which picture shows Dad with his children?

Dad goes to work at his office at 10 a.m. So he has time to make breakfast for Tom and Aiki. Which picture shows Dad with his children?

[3 sec]

Number 4. After breakfast, Tom always cleans his teeth. His teeth are nice and white, because he takes care of them. Which picture shows this?

After breakfast, Tom always cleans his teeth. His teeth are nice and white, because he takes care of them. Which picture shows this?

[3 sec]

NARR Number 5. Grandma Anna goes for a walk every morning. It helps her to feel strong all day. Where can you see Grandma Anna?

Grandma Anna goes for a walk every morning. It helps her to feel strong all day. Where can you see Grandma Anna?

[3 sec]

NARR Number 6. On Sunday morning, Mum and Dad like to read the news with their coffee. Where can you see them at the breakfast table?

On Sunday morning, Mum and Dad like to read the news with their coffee. Where can you see them at the breakfast table?

[3 sec]

NARR Number 7. One person in the family washes their hair every day. Which picture shows this person?

One person in the family washes their hair every day. Which picture shows this person?

[3 sec]

NARR Number 8. Which picture shows the oldest person in the family?

Which picture shows the oldest person in the family?

[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 – SUZI and ‘THE SALTIES’]

312 wds

Matt Bono – adult male, podcast interviewer

Chris – young adult female rock musician/band leader

ANNC

ANNC In this exercise, you will hear a short conversation about a rock band. 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. Matt Bono is talking to Suzi about her rock band. As you listen to the conversation, choose the correct word or phrase to complete each statement, 9 to 15 in your Test Booklet.

Now, here is the conversation. Are you ready?

[lead-in music, Eurovision style]

BONO Hi! Matt Bono, and I'm here in Paris for the big European song competition. My guest is Suzi Salti. Suzi and her band are playing in the competition tonight! Suzi, tell us about yourself.

SUZI Well, I'm Greek. I'm from Thessaloniki, and so is my band, The Salties.

BONO The Salties. I like your name!. And, you play the guitar in your band, right?.

SUZI That's right. I studied guitar at my music school in Thessaloniki. Then my family moved to London. I went to high school in London and, of course, I took more music lessons there.

BONO Then that's why your English is so good. You had to speak English there, didn't you?

SUZI Yes, well, I spoke English a lot. I used English at school and at my music lessons, but not at home with Mum and Dad, of course.

BONO Did you meet the other Salties in England?

SUZI Oh, no. They stayed in Thessaloniki. But, when my family went back to Greece, I went to visit my old music school. I was so happy! I found my old friends there, and Katya and Maria and I started the band.

BONO So, you play the guitar. And, is there a piano?

SUZI No, no piano. I play guitar, and so does Maria. And Maria also sings and writes our songs

BONO Then, Katya plays the drums, right?

SUZI Right! The drums! And she's very good, too!

BONO Now, you're an all-girl band.

SUZI Well, let's say 'all-women'. Katya, Maria and I are 22 years old, so we're not really 'girls' now.

BONO Right. But all-women bands, with no men, well, we don't see many, do we?

SUZI No, there aren't many, If you see 100 bands, most of them are all-men and maybe three of the 100 are all-women bands. And I'm a bit angry! The Gingerbreads, the first all-women's band to work with a big record company, became famous almost 50 years ago!

BONO Well, I hope the Salties will be famous after the song competition tonight.

SUZI So do I!

BONO Suzi, thanks for coming today **and good luck tonight [fade]**

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

[15 sec]

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

[repeat, "Hi! Matt Bono, and. ... to ... and good luck tonight [fade]]

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]