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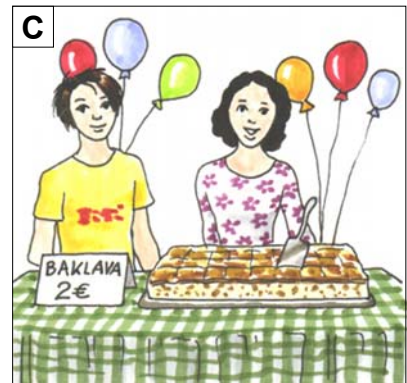
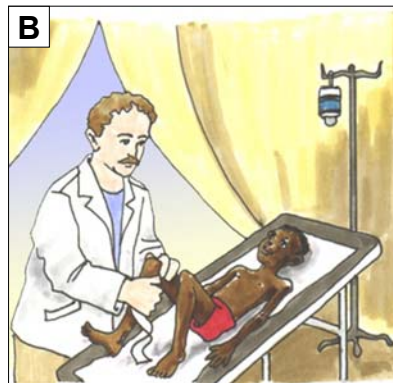
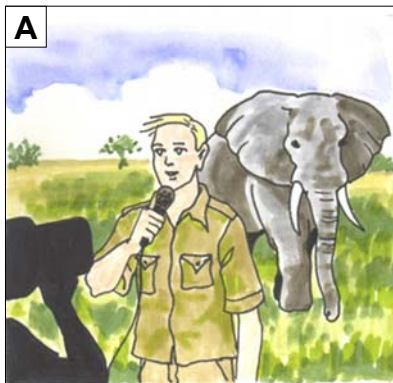
- Be sure you have written your name at the top of this page.
- Do not open this booklet until the exam starts.
- The order of the exam papers is: PART A Listening, PART B Reading & Usage, PART C Writing.
- Time allowed for all three parts: 90 minutes

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 Answer Sheet **A**. Mark them in 2H or HB pencil.

LISTENING EXERCISE 1: Numbers 1 to 10

WE HELP!



Write the letter of a picture, A to F, in each of the spaces, 1 to 10.
You will use some letters more than once.

1. ____ 2. ____ 3. ____ 4. ____ 5. ____
6. ____ 7. ____ 8. ____ 9. ____ 10. ____

LISTENING EXERCISE 2: Numbers 11 to 20**SUMMER PLANS**

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

Circle its letter, A, B or C.

11. Meli is going to spend her summer holiday in ____ .

- A. England
- B. her city
- C. the mountains

12. At first, Ken thinks Meli's plan ____ .

- A. seems exciting
- B. sounds boring
- C. is expensive

13. Meli is going to work ____ .

- A. in a large company
- B. at her school
- C. for her brother

14. Meli's job will be to ____ .

- A. sign some papers
- B. make signs and draw a picture
- C. find an artist for Jack

15. Steve is going to work for ____ .

- A. a card company
- B. an airline
- C. Meli's brother

16. One reason Steve got the job is because he ____ .

- A. can speak English well
- B. knows how to drive
- C. has worked at the airport

17. Jack has invited ____ bands in total to play in the festival.

- A. five
- B. ten
- C. twenty

18. They expect ____ people to come to the five-day festival.

- A. 2,000
- B. 5,000
- C. 10,000

19. The rock festival will take place ____ .

- A. in City Stadium
- B. at Sea Park
- C. on City Beach

20. People will need to ____ .

- A. bring a picnic
- B. eat in a restaurant
- C. buy dinner at Sea Park



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.
- When you have finished, mark your answers on Answer Sheet **B** using a 2H or HB pencil.

READING & USAGE EXERCISE 1: Numbers 1 to 10

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

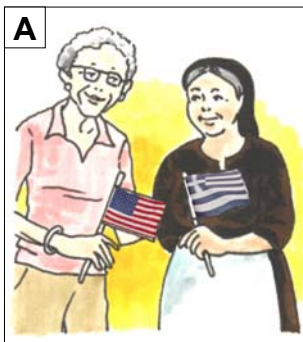
My Two Grandmothers

1. My two grandmothers are very different. My mother's mother is American and my father's mother is Greek. One speaks English and the other speaks Greek. When my American grandmother came from the US to visit, they didn't talk much, but they had a good time. They cooked and took walks together.
2. My American grandmother, Ruth, is very modern. She grew up in a small town. Then she studied to be a teacher and got a job in the city. When she met my grandfather, they stayed in the city and she continued to teach, until ten years ago.
3. My Greek grandmother, Stavroula, grew up in a small village in Macedonia. When she was 15, she left school to help her parents in their fields and in the house. She and my grandfather built a house near her parents' house and bought some sheep. They worked hard and were able to send my father to school in America. My father's a doctor in Athens now, but my grandparents still live in their village.
4. Grandma Ruth is 75 years old. She doesn't teach now. She grows her own vegetables to cook, but she buys everything else from the shops. She drives a car, but she also worries about her health. So, she rides her bicycle every day. And she reads a lot: books, newspapers, everything! Last year, she read a book about China and decided to go there on holiday. She loves to travel.
5. Grandma Stavroula hates to travel. She doesn't like to leave her sheep alone. So, we have to go to the village to see her. I like that, though, because Grandma Stavroula is a really good cook. And all the food comes from her farm and her garden. She only reads the newspaper – no books – but she tells wonderful stories about Greece.
6. My two grandmothers are different, but they're both very good to me. And I love them both the same!

**Choose the correct word or phrase to answer each question.
Mark its letter, A, B or C, on Answer Sheet B.**

1. The two grandmothers live _____.
A. with their children B. in different countries C. in the same country
2. Ruth was a teacher _____.
A. in a city B. in a small town C. for ten years
3. Stavroula's son _____.
A. became a doctor B. is a farmer like his father C. lives near his parents
4. Stavroula has lived in her village _____.
A. since she left school
B. since she built her house
C. her whole life
5. One thing that Ruth does and Stavroula doesn't do is _____.
A. read books B. cook her own food C. grow vegetables
6. Both Ruth and Stavroula love _____.
A. travelling B. bicycles C. their grandchild

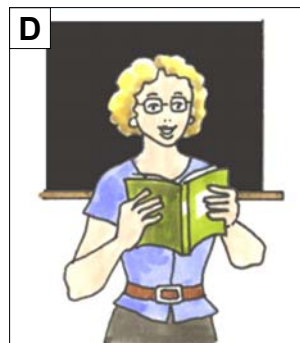
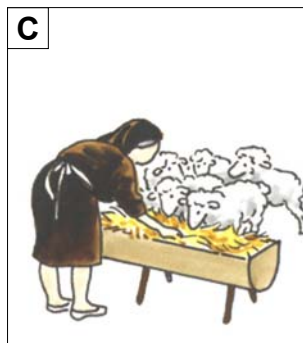
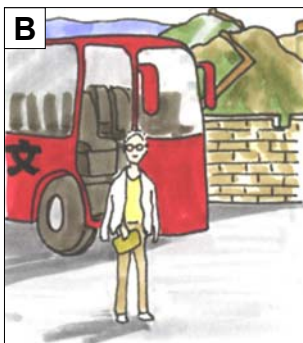
**Choose a picture to go with each paragraph.
Mark its letter, A to E, on Answer Sheet B.**



EX Paragraph 1 goes with picture A .

A **B** **C** **D** **E** **F** **G** **H**

7. Paragraph 2 goes with picture ____ .
8. Paragraph 3 goes with picture ____ .
9. Paragraph 4 goes with picture ____ .
10. Paragraph 5 goes with picture ____ .



READING & USAGE EXERCISE 2: Numbers 11 to 15**Food and Drink****Choose the correct word to fill each gap.****Mark its letter, A, B, C or D, on Answer Sheet B.**

11. Barry loves chocolate, but his mum says _____ are bad for his teeth.
A. meat B. sweets C. cake D. fruit
12. Coke and lemonade are different kinds of _____ drink.
A. soft B. wet C. weak D. gentle
13. The doctor tells us to eat plenty of fruit such as _____ .
A. bacon B. apples C. cheese D. bread
14. French fries are made from _____ but they're not very healthy.
A. spaghetti B. chicken C. potatoes D. meat
15. They've just opened a new _____ food restaurant in the town centre.
A. fast B. quick C. early D. first

**READING & USAGE EXERCISE 3: Numbers 16 to 20****Choose the correct word or phrase to fill each gap in the story.****Mark its letter, A, B or C, on Answer Sheet B.****How Kristin Missed Her Plane**

Kristin had to go to England for a meeting. She planned to go (16) plane from Athens to London and then to take the train to Oxford, a city about an hour (17) . The night before her trip, she got everything ready. The next morning, she (18) up late. The taxi came, and she ran downstairs and got (19) . At Athens airport, she started to pay the taxi driver. But she had forgotten her handbag. She'd left it (20) home! So, Kristin missed her plane and her meeting in Oxford.

16. A. by B. on C. in
17. A. until B. away C. still
18. A. wake B. woke C. was waking
19. A. to B. on C. in
20. A. at B. at the C. in



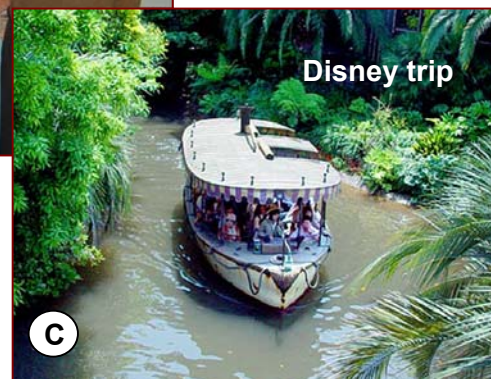
READING & USAGE EXERCISE 4: Numbers 21 to 25

Here are some pictures of two fun parks and a museum.

Match a picture with each statement.

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

You will use some pictures more than once.



21. If you fall out, you'll get wet!
22. These two men aren't real. They're 'dolls'!
23. You can ride a boat down a river in the jungle.
24. We used 5 million plastic pieces to make this house.
25. This man did not paint the picture behind him.

READING & USAGE EXERCISE 5: Numbers 26 to 30

Match one of Tom's replies with each thing the coach says.

Mark its letter, A to G, on your Answer Sheet. You will use only five of the letters.

Example: Coach: So, you want to join a sports team, do you?

Tom: EX

The answer is A. Yes, sir. I've always wanted to be in a team.

A B C D E F G H

Coach: So, you want to join a sports team, do you?

Tom: (EX)

Coach: Well, can you kick a ball?

Tom: (26)

Coach: But, can you run fast?

Tom: (27)

Coach: Hmm, then, can you catch a ball?

Tom: (28)

Coach: Well, let's see. Can you swim?

Tom: (29)

Coach: Good! Do you want to be in the swim team?

Tom: (30)

Coach: Fine. Then be here at 2 p.m. on Saturday.

A. Yes, sir. I've always wanted to be in a team.

B. Maybe ... if they don't throw it too hard.

C. No, I'm a very bad kicker.

D. Oh, yes, I practise all summer at the beach!

E. Yes! That's the one for me!

F. Of course! I love sand!

G. Not really. I'm a bit slow.

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 Answer Sheet C in blue or black pen.

You have ONE writing task to do. Choose either Topic A or Topic B.
Write your task in about 70 words on Answer Sheet C.

EITHER THIS TOPIC

- TOPIC A:** Look at this picture of Lara and her class at the beach clean-up.
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: 'Lara and her class are cleaning a beach. ...'**



Lara – class – clean – beach
Lara – give – bag – student
Randy – have – box – glove
wear – keep – hand – clean

students – walk – beach
look for – rubbish – put
bring – bag – teacher
already – big pile – bag

Bob – take – out – bag
give – to – teacher
teacher – count – thing
want – learn – rubbish

OR THIS TOPIC

TOPIC B: Look at the pictures of Jack and his sister.

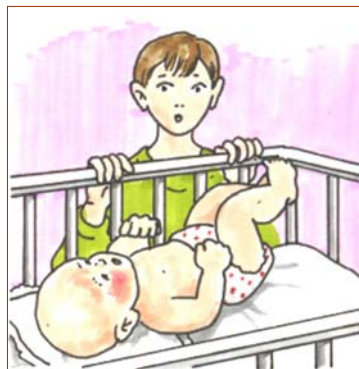
In about 70 words, write what happened.

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

Begin like this: 'When Jack was five years old, he got a new baby sister.'



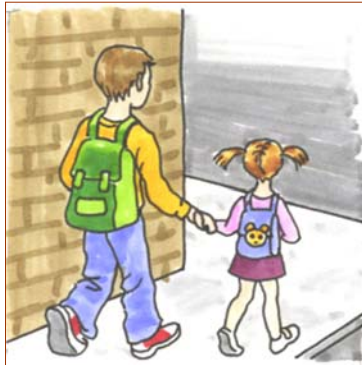
five years - get - baby sister
name - Sally - parents - love



at first - Jack - not like
cry - a lot - sleep - a lot



one year old - learn - walk
Jack help - play with



Sally - go - school - five
teach - go - across - street



Later - help - with - homework
get good mark - very happy



grow up - have - family
Jack - love - sister

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Part A	Part B
1 B	1 B
2 A	2 A
3 E	3 A
4 F	4 C
5 D	5 A
6 B	6 C
7 A	7 D
8 F	8 E
9 D	9 B
10 C	10 C
11 B	11 B
12 B	12 A
13 C	13 B
14 B	14 C
15 C	15 A
16 A	16 A
17 C	17 B
18 C	18 B
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	21 C
	22 B
	23 C
	24 A
	25 B
	26 C
	27 G
	28 B
	29 D
	30 E