

## Practice Test 2 • Reading

### Part 1

For each question, choose the correct answer.

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#### Football Club Message

We've decided to have a new girls' team as well as the boys' team this year! If you're interested, come to the first training session next Monday evening.

- A Girls who enjoy watching football are invited to the game on Monday.
- B There will be practice for female players on Monday.
- C Monday evening's football match will be between boys and girls.

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#### Welcome to Terminal 1.

This terminal is for flights within the US only. For destinations in Europe, please follow the yellow signs for Terminal 2.

- A Passengers flying to European airports must go to a different location.
- B You can fly all over the world from Terminal 1.
- C Anyone wanting to fly to America should look for the signs.

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*Seiko*  
Your guitar teacher, Bob, called about your next lesson. He said he wants to arrange a new time and you should call him back.  
*Anita*

- A Bob phoned Seiko to cancel their next guitar lesson.
- B Seiko needs to ring Bob about her next guitar lesson.
- C Anita took a call from Bob about starting guitar lessons.

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#### Staff illness

Due to staff illness, hot meals will not be served in the school cafeteria until next week.

- A The new school term won't begin next week because teachers are ill.
- B Students won't be able to eat in the dining area until next week.
- C It will not be possible to get cooked food from the cafeteria this week.

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Fran!  
Can you do some shopping when you go out later? I've left a list. I'll make us something nice when I get back from the library.  
Luca

- Luca wants Fran to
- A cook a meal later in the day.
  - B take something back to the library.
  - C buy the things that he needs.

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### Part 2

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The people below all want to go to a restaurant or café.  
On the opposite page there are some restaurant reviews.  
Decide which restaurant or café would be the most suitable for the people below.

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José has just started college. He needs a good café near campus where he can hang out with his friends. He'll be spending a lot of time in the library, so he wants a café with a nice terrace. It must be inexpensive and serve great sandwiches.

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Kasia is 14. On Saturdays, she has to wait an hour for a train home after her violin lesson. She wants to spend that time in a quiet café close to the station where she can read her book while enjoying tea and delicious cake.

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Karl and Omar are best friends. They're trying to find a new café that they can go to after school every day. They want a place with a good atmosphere. They both enjoy loud music! They also like cheap fast-food.

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Fernando is a fan of healthy food. He doesn't eat meat, and doesn't mind paying a little more for organic fruit and vegetables. He wants to find an independent café near the beach. He doesn't like restaurant chains.

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Linda and Amelia are cousins. They're looking for a great café where they can meet every Sunday for a chat. They love to eat sweet things! Linda and Amelia are both very stylish, so they want a place that's really cool.

## OUR TOP EIGHT CAFÉS

### A Luigi's

Open Monday to Friday, Luigi's is popular with people who work in the city because it's close to the train station. It can be noisy, but it's very friendly and the service is quick. Visit Luigi's if you want to try their homemade pies and excellent hot drinks.

### B Burger Basement

Although it's in a basement, this brilliant café is bright and exciting. Lights of many different colours hang from the ceiling, and everyone sings along with the pop and rock songs. It's not a quiet place, but it's fun. You won't believe the low cost of the chips and burgers!

### C Pancake Paradise

The latest café in town is Pancake Paradise, and everyone is talking about it. This is where all the fashionable people like to be seen, and to see each other. Enjoy the original art on the walls while you wait for your tasty pile of pancakes served with ice cream or honey.

### D Sunshine Café

This is a wonderful new café which, so far, is very popular with young people. It's just a short walk from the college and offers a wide choice of soups and sandwiches at very reasonable prices. The best thing about the Sunshine Café is its outdoor seating area. Here you can have some fun in the sun.

### E Green Dreams

Everything served in this busy seaside café is vegetarian and all natural. Try the carrot and spinach juice with one of the amazing salads. The prices are high, but definitely worth it. Green Dreams is owned and run by a local family who make everything fresh daily.

### F Quick & Cool

As the name suggests, this is where you should come if you want quick food in a cool place. Quick & Cool only opens at the weekends, but it fills up fast so get there early! Enjoy hip hop on the loud speakers and order some spicy chicken wings. You won't wait long at Quick & Cool!

### G Tilly's Tea-Shop

This is the perfect place to get away from the noise of the city. It's conveniently located between the museum and the railway station, and serves the best baked goods in town. They play gentle classical music there. You can choose from 20 types of tea and relax.

### H Healthy Henry's

There's a Healthy Henry's café in almost every town I know. Our one is located close to the park and it's always busy. Everything is made from the freshest ingredients available ... it's nice to enjoy food that you know is good for you. The prices are pretty fair, too.

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### Part 3

For each question, choose the correct answer.

## Kirsty Wade, young athlete

I've always been keen on sport and very fit so a few years ago I decided to join my local athletics club. In the beginning I put all my effort into the long jump because it was my best event, but the coach encouraged me to try different things.



I ended up as a middle-distance runner, which means I don't run the short distances like 100 metres, or long cross-country races, but the in-between ones like 800 metres. It's an interesting type of running because you have to mix speed with strength. You also have to think a lot about how you race, and choose the right moment to run at your maximum speed. You need to do quite a lot of regular training when you first start and it helps if you have a good coach who can keep you motivated and teach you the basics.

I take part in some quite major competitions now, but I still remember my first race. I was so nervous before it started. And when it finished, I could still feel my hands shaking. It was a great race and I came second so I was very pleased. Since then I've learned to stay calm before and during races. I do a lot of breathing exercises that help me stay focused and relaxed. Competing has really helped me to trust in my own abilities. And now I find that I love running in front of a crowd – I suppose it's a sort of performance.

One thing I don't enjoy so much is how hard you have to work to stay fit and strong enough to race, although it helps that I often train with others. I try to eat and sleep well, but I don't have a special diet. Mostly it's a case of getting plenty of variety and eating more of everything because I'm so active.

I sometimes watch Olympic athletes on TV and imagine myself in their position. It must be a fantastic experience, but at the moment I don't feel that is necessarily where I'm aiming. I think you have to give up so much if you want to reach that level.

- 11 Why did the writer join an athletics club?
- A Because she enjoyed taking part in sports.
  - B Because she thought she should get more exercise.
  - C Because she wanted to become an athletics coach.
  - D Because she wanted to become a professional long jumper.

- 12 What does the writer say about 800-metre running?
- A You have to know when to run fastest.
  - B It's harder than running in the 100 metres.
  - C It's more important to be quick than strong.
  - D You need to forget everything and just run.

- 13 What does the writer say about competing in races now?
- A It always makes her feel scared.
  - B It feels good to be in front during the race.
  - C It's helped her to develop new skills.
  - D She enjoys people watching her race.

- 14 What does the writer say about the food she eats?
- A If she eats a lot, she can run faster.
  - B Eating plenty of food helps her to sleep better.
  - C She eats the same kind of things as other people.
  - D She would like to eat different types of food.

- 15 Which best describes the writer?

A A young athlete who trains hard and hopes to be selected for the Olympics in the future.

B A girl who was good at the long jump and likes running, but who doesn't see herself becoming an international athlete.

C A girl who is a keen athlete, but doesn't like running in front of a crowd and who finds the training very boring.

D A keen athlete who finds it enjoyable to practise with other people and compete as part of a team.

## Practice Test 2 • Reading

## Part 4

Five sentences have been removed from the text below.  
For each question, choose the correct answer.  
There are three extra sentences which you do not need to use.

## A Helping Hand

Lee Newton was sitting on a station platform under an old blanket when he saw a young couple talking. **16** \_\_\_\_\_ It was a freezing night in January, and the couple were clearly cold. Lee called to them and asked them if they wanted to share his blanket. The three of them started chatting, and Lee learned that their names were Karen and Mark.

**17** \_\_\_\_\_ Lee told them that he'd lost his job and then his flat when he could no longer pay the rent. He had no family to help him, and nowhere to go. **18** \_\_\_\_\_ Karen and Mark felt terrible. They couldn't imagine sleeping on the icy platform for even one night. As they spent their night in the station chatting to Lee, they realized that anyone could end up in his situation. **19** \_\_\_\_\_

When morning came, Karen and Mark bought an extra train ticket and invited Lee to come home with them. Lee accepted, and gratefully moved into Karen and Mark's spare bedroom. Once he had an address, Lee was able to apply for jobs. **20** \_\_\_\_\_ He saved up to buy a small motorbike, then got an evening job delivering pizzas. After a few months, Lee had saved up enough money to rent a small flat of his own.

'When times get tough, you need friends and family,' Lee says. 'Karen and Mark became that for me.' An act of kindness was all Lee needed to help him get his life back.

- A He offered to drive them home.
- B He'd been sleeping in the train station for three months.
- C They'd missed the last train, and they seemed upset.
- D They enjoyed living together, so Lee decided to stay.
- E He soon found work in a local factory.
- F They felt very lucky to have jobs and a home.
- G It wasn't a big problem because he bought a flat.
- H Karen explained that they lived two hours away and they couldn't afford a taxi home.

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## Part 5

For each question, choose the correct answer.

## Teenage Teachers

People may think teenagers are too young to be in charge of a class when they're still students themselves, but that's not true. Sixteen-year-olds are **21** \_\_\_\_\_ teaching lessons to primary school children in a new government scheme which allows school leavers to **22** \_\_\_\_\_ as teaching assistants in primary schools.

New rules were recently introduced which have allowed all primary school teachers to have more time during the school day for **23** \_\_\_\_\_ lessons, but this sometimes means that teachers have less time for teaching. Now teenagers fill the gap. They take a two-year course, starting when they're 14. When they enter the classroom as teachers **24** \_\_\_\_\_ than students, they have to quickly put into practice the skills they learned **25** \_\_\_\_\_ they were studying.


The government believes that about 18,000 teenagers could get jobs in this **26** \_\_\_\_\_ . However, many people believe that young teenagers will not make suitable teachers.

- 21** A currently      B newly      C previously      D recently
- 22** A be      B feel      C learn      D work
- 23** A practising      B preparing      C reading      D thinking
- 24** A even      B instead      C rather      D sooner
- 25** A except      B however      C throughout      D while
- 26** A kind      B style      C type      D way

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## Part 6

For each question, write the correct answer.  
Write **one** word for each gap.

| Mark  | 10 Mar 2019  |
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| <p>I'm delighted to report that the concert last night was a huge success. The students performed a selection of classical and popular music, so there was something <b>27</b> _____ everyone to enjoy.</p> <p><b>28</b> _____ of the members of the school choir and orchestra had worked hard to learn their parts, and had spent weeks rehearsing for the performance. Fortunately, none of them made <b>29</b> _____ mistakes on the night!</p> <p>Melanie Thomas sang a beautiful solo. She's <b>30</b> _____ a good singer that the audience thought they were listening <b>31</b> _____ a recording! I'm sure she'll be famous one day. But all the students and staff deserve congratulations. The school put <b>32</b> _____ a great show, and everyone involved should be very proud.</p> |  |

## Practice Test 2 • Writing

## Part 1

You **must** answer this question.  
Write your answer in about **100 words**.

## Question 1

Read this email from your English-speaking friend Sarah and the notes you have made.

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From: Sarah

Subject: Shopping trip

Hi,

I'm excited about our shopping trip on Saturday!  
Where shall we meet?

There's a new café in town. Would you like to go there for lunch, or would you prefer to have a picnic by the river?

Also, shall we look for a present for your best friend's birthday? Any ideas?

Let me know what else you want to do in town!

Write soon!

Sarah

Say where

Say which I prefer

I'd like to ...

I want to buy ...

Write your **email** to Sarah using **all the notes**.

## Practice Test 2 • Writing

## Part 2

Choose **one** of these questions.  
Write your answer in about **100 words**.

## Question 2

You see this notice on an English-language website.

We need your articles!

## FOOD

Are you a fan of Italian food?

Do you prefer eating pizza or pasta? Why?

Write an article answering these questions and we will put it on our website!

Write your **article**.

## Question 3

Your English teacher has asked you to write a story.  
Your story must begin with this sentence:

When the postman gave me the parcel, I had no idea what was inside.

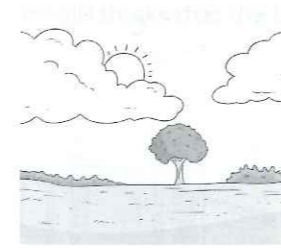
Write your **story**.

## Practice Test 2 • Listening

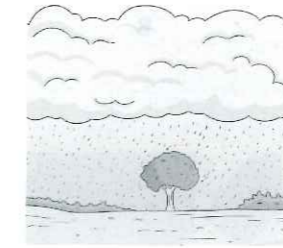
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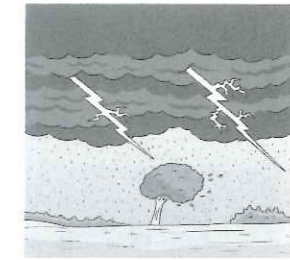
1 What is the weather forecast for tomorrow?



A



B



C

2 What does Paul look like?



A



B



C

3 What exercise does the girl do at the moment?



A

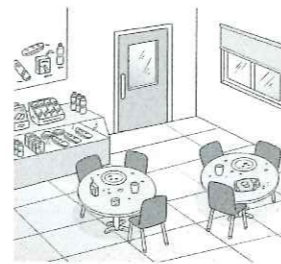


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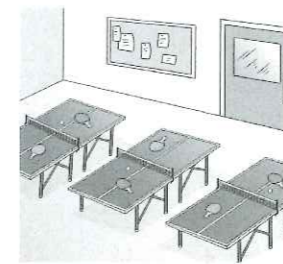


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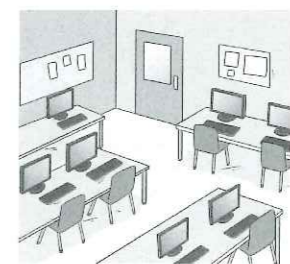
4 What can teenagers do at the new club?



A



B



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