Test 1

Part 1

LISTENING

You will hear six sentences twice. Choose the **best reply** to each sentence. Look at the example. If you hear: "Do you know where the park is? Do you know where the park is?" the best reply is **b**). Put a circle around the letter of the **best reply**.

Example:

- a) I doubt it.
- (b) Yes, just around the corner.
- c) We'll see how it goes.
- d) Of course I can.

1.

- a) Quite well, thank you.
- b) It wasn't a good idea.
- c) Of course.
- d) I don't think so.

2.

- a) I will.
- b) I think so.
- c) Yes, I did.
- d) Not right away.

3.

- a) I think so too.
- **b)** Unfortunately I have other plans.
- c) We won't.
- d) It is a shame you can't.

4.

- a) Last week.
- b) It wasn't long ago.
- c) We're on time.
- **d**) About ten minutes.

5.

- a) Back home to sleep.
- **b)** Asleep.
- c) Three or four minutes away.
- d) The store is open.

6.

- a) I can't tonight.
- b) I won't.
- c) I have to go.
- d) Because I'm tired.

You will hear three conversations. Listen to the conversations and answer the questions below. Choose the correct answer a, b, c or d. You will hear each conversation once only. Look at the questions for Conversation 1.

Conversation 1

- 1.1 The man is the woman's:
 - a) father
 - **b)** brother
 - c) friend
 - d) server
- 1.2 The woman is:
 - a) switching careers
 - b) moving in with her parents
 - c) moving
 - d) trying to become a chef

Conversation 2

- **2.1** The woman spent this much on her computer:
 - a) 600 pounds
 - **b)** 700 pounds
 - c) 500 pounds
 - **d)** 400 pounds
- **2.2** The woman currently uses this type of computer program:
 - a) word processing
 - b) photo software
 - c) music editing
 - d) design software

Conversation 3

- 3.1 The woman is the man's
 - a) customer
 - b) employer
 - c) friend
 - d) wife
- 3.2 The woman wants her couch to be
 - a) off-white
 - b) bright blue
 - c) blue
 - d) bright white

Listen to the announcement by the radio presenter. Make notes on the message pad. First look at the pad. The first note is done for you. You will hear the announcement twice.

Message Pad
Show: The Brad and Andy Show
Contest in honour of: Mother's Day
Number of words to tell why your mom is special:
How many people get to go on show:5
Gift is worth over: 100 pounds
Contests begins: May 1st.
Call station and ask for:Brad

Listen to the conversation between Adam, the man, and Amy, the woman, about exercise, and answer the questions. Put a circle around the letter of the correct answer. First look at the questions. The first one is done for you. You will hear the conversation twice.

Example: Who is looking to begin an exercise program?

- (a)) Amy
- b) Adam
- c) both Amy and Adam
- d) neither Amy nor Adam
- 1. Why doesn't Amy want to run or bike outside?
 - a) she doesn't enjoy those exercises
 - **b)** it is summer and too hot
 - c) she can only run or bike in the morning
 - d) she can't because of work
- **2.** What way of getting exercise does Amy think would be expensive?
 - a) going to the recreation center
 - b) going to the gym near her sister's house
 - c) yoga
 - d) biking
- **3.** What does Amy see wrong with going to the gym near her sister's place?
 - a) it is too expensive
 - **b)** it is too far away
 - c) it isn't a nice gym
 - d) she doesn't think she'll get good exercise there

- **4.** What does Amy think about yoga?
 - a) it makes her tired
 - b) when she does it she feels like she's exercising
 - c) she thinks it is relaxing
 - d) she thinks it is invigorating
- **5.** How many calories does Amy think swimming for an hour burns?
 - **a)** 700
 - **b)** 400
 - **c)** 100
 - **d)** 200
- 6. What way does Amy ultimately decide to exercise?
 - a) run
 - b) yoga
 - c) go to a gym
 - d) swim

Level B1

Part 1

READING

Read the text. Use the sentences labelled (A-H) to complete the text. Write the letter of the missing sentence in the box in the correct gap. There are two extra sentences you will not need.

A Pain in the Back

The weight of rucksacks has become such an issue for schoolchildren that some schools are banning their use during school hours, weighing those that look too heavy for the student and even calling in special doctors to warn students about the dangers of carrying heavy loads. For a Oftentimes students as young as 8 or 9 carry around books for all of their classes each day. young and undeveloped child this could cause back pain and other serious injuries. Some students have started to use rucksacks with built-in wheels so they can roll their books around. The heavy backpack problem has become so common that many schools, especially secondary schools, have backpack policies. This means that teachers who think that a student is carrying a backpack that is too heavy may tell that students to lighten their load. 5 В Often, schools provide lockers or cubbies for students to keep books in when they aren't being used. Another technique becoming popular is called "double booking," in which two sets of books are used, one for students to keep at home and another set kept in the classroom. The middle grades are of most concern because primary school students do not carry as many books and older students are presumed to be more physically developed or able to bring books to school in cars. On average, secondary school students have about five textbooks. Experts say that for every 20 lbs. of bodyweight, you should only carry 3 lbs. in your backpack. This equals 15%.

- **A.** These doctors are called chiropractors and specialize in back and neck pain.
- **B.** Usually, students will be given a place to put their books after they've been asked to take some out of their bag.
- **C.** However, some schools have not address this issue yet.
- **D.** For example, pulled muscles or weakened bones.
- **E**. This takes the burden off their bodies, but rolling-backpacks aren't always easy to move around.

Other recommendations go as low as 6% of your body weight. This means many students are at risk for real injuries!

- **F**. Some of those books weigh up to two kilograms.
- G. Heavy books are important for learning.
- **H.** In some schools that means up to 8 books at a time.

Read the five short texts. Each text is incomplete. Choose a, b, c or d to complete the text. Put a circle around the letter of the correct answer. First look at the example.

Example:

- 1) Track and Field is an exciting sport! Many students enjoy the individual competition as well as the supportive team atmosphere. And plus, _ _ _ _ _
- a) it's not bad.
- **(b)**) it's good exercise, too.
- c) it's expensive.
- d) people are interested

1.

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- b) Sales Representative
- c) Michael Mark Kaelin
- d) Corporate Consulting, Incorporated

2.

Alexander loves football. He has been playing since he was 5 years old, sometimes on two teams at one time. He hopes someday to play



- a) professional
- **b)** professionally

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- c) profession
- d) professed

3.

Dear Journal,
This has been an exhausting
week. I had classes and then
tennis practice every day until
very late and then once I got
home I still had homework.
I'm really looking forward to
the weekend when I

- a) will now relax.
- b) did just smile.
- c) can just relax.
- d) could only smile.

4.

Cooking isn't difficult if you're only willing to put some time and effort into it. Start off slow, making small breakfasts and simple meals and _____ you'll be making complicated recipes with ease!

- a) soon enough
- b) in other words
- c) because of this
- d) before that

5.

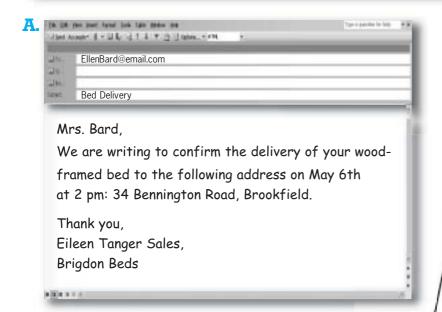
Many people have air conditioning to keep their homes cool in the summertime. _ _ _ air conditioning can be very expensive because it uses a lot of energy.

- a) But then again
- **b)** As a result
- c) Then
- **d)** However

Level B1

Part 3

Read the four texts below. There are ten questions about the texts. Decide which text (A, B, C or D) tells you the answer to the question. The same text may be used more than once. The first one is done for you.



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C. Brookfield Regional Bank Memo

I would like to thank all of you for making my promotion to manager so easy. You are the best employees a manager could have and I hope we all continue to work together long into the future.

I will be taking a few days off work next week (from the 5th to the 8th) because I'm moving to a new place, but I should be back on Monday!

Ellen Bard Brookfield Regional Bank, Manager

B.

Hello Ellen,
I can't believe you guys are moving!
I'm seriously depressed about this,
except I know you'll only be moving
30 minutes away. How is everything
going? Are you all set to move? What
Have you sold your old place yet?
Also, how is the new job? I guess it
Brookfield since you'll be so close to
work now! Give me a call if you're not
Sharop

D. FOR SALE

- Apartment on 50 Moose Way, Hancock
- Sellers: Ellen and Bob Bard
- Price: 100,000 pounds or best offer

Which Text:

- 1. is advertising something?
- 2. is meant for employees to read?
- **3.** confirms a delivery?
- **4.** is from a friend?

D

С



В

Which text gives the answers to the following questions?

- 5. How much are Ellen and Bob Bard selling their old house for?
- **6.** When will Ellen take time off to move?
- 7. When will Ellen be back to work?
- 8. How far away is Ellen moving?
- **9.** What is the address of Ellen and Bob's new apartment?
- 10. When will Ellen's bed be delivered?

D





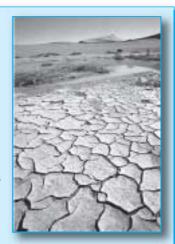




Read the text and answer the questions. Do **NOT** use more than three words in your answer. An example is done for you.

If it were up to me, the weather would be hot and sunny every day. Good thing it's not up to me. The Earth needs rain and snow. Without a reliable supply of water, we would have nothing to drink, nothing to sustain our crops. Swimming pools would be empty. Lawns would have no grass. Electricity would be expensive. Plants would die; animals would follow.

Such a water shortage may sound extreme, but it's happening right now in parts of the western United States. An area called the Colorado River Basin, which stretches from Wyoming to Arizona, is in the middle of the worst drought in at least 500 years. Rivers in this region are at their lowest levels ever recorded. If the drought continues, the results could be disastrous. The river basin is a major source of water for big cities, including Las Vegas, Phoenix, and Los Angeles. Entire ecosystems depend on this water, as do ranchers and many other people who live and work in the area.



Extreme weather and natural disasters are a normal part of life on Earth. Tornadoes, floods, hurricanes, and earthquakes destroy houses and kill people. Droughts are also menacing. They can last for decades. No one knows how to predict or stop them. In fact, many things that people do make the problem worse. The worst thing that people do is waste water.

Experts say that major droughts in the 1200s and 1300s may have driven the Native American Anasazi out of places such as Mesa Verde in Colorado and Chaco Canyon in New Mexico.

"Water is life," says geologist John Dohrenwend of Teasdale, Utah. "If you don't have it, the land can't support life."

Out West, rivers and flood plains make up just 3 percent of the land area, Dohrenwend says. But these 3 percent support a full 90 percent of the region's plant and animal life.

Scientists are just beginning to understand the conditions that lead to droughts. They're finding that small changes in the flow of air and water can have a huge effect on climate around the globe.

If people want to continue living with cheap electricity and clean water, they'll need to find ways to use less of the precious liquid. In fact, the drought in the western U.S. might just be a wakeup call for all of us, no matter where we live.

"In some ways, the problem sounds like a simple one of not enough water" Dohrenwend says. But it's really more complicated than that. "When you start to look at what goes on in a river flowing from the mountains to the sea, all the things we as human beings use it for, and all of what actually happens during a drought, a lot of what is going to happen isn't necessarily obvious," he says. "It could cause things we don't want to happen to happen much sooner than we might think."

Example: Wh	at kind of weather does the author prefer?	hot and sunny		
1. Where is there a droug	aht right now?			
Western U.S.A/Co	olorado River Basin			
2. How high are rivers in	the Colorado River Basin?			
Very low/lowest i	in decades.			
3. The Colorado River Ba	asin provides water for many big cities including Los	Angeles, Phoenix and:		
Las Vegas				
4. How long can drought	es last?			
Decades				
5. What is something pe	ople do to make droughts worse?			
Waste water				
6. What made the Native	e American Anasazi leave Colorado and New Mexico i	in the 1200s and 1300s?		
Droughts				
7. What percent of the U	United State's west is made up of rivers and flood pl	lains?		
3 percent				
8. What percent of life is	s supported by the few rivers and flood plains in the	western U.S.?		
What kind of changes affect the climate globally?				
Changes in the flow	OT AIT/WATER			
10. Is there an obvious s	solution to the problem of droughts?			
No				

WRITING

Part 1

Read the text and circle each mistake. Write the correction at the end of the line. The first three lines are examples. There are two more spelling mistakes, three more punctuation mistakes and three more grammar mistakes. Some lines have no mistakes; they have no spaces for answers.

Dear_ben,_

I hope you're having a good trip. I can't believe <u>your</u> going to be gone two more weeks. Things are going well <u>hear</u>. I just finished all my exams and I'm happy to have some time <u>of</u>. Tomorrow Sally and I go to the ocean for the day. It should be fun. Other than that I don't have a lot whole <u>planed</u> for the next few weeks. Basicall<u>y</u>; I just want to relax and enjoy myself.

Bethany and Ira are going on a camping trip next week <u>on</u> their families. It seems like everyone is going away <u>however</u> me! Anyway, what are you doing on your tr<u>ip;</u> I bet you're having fun!

Have seen you anything interesting yet? when you get back you'll have to tell me all about your adventures. I really am jealous for you!

Love,

Jessica

Ben
you're
here
off
are going
planned
with
but
?

When

Read the article about a water park. You have just been there. You thought some things were great but other things were not as described in the article. Write a letter to the newspaper to:

- give your own opinion
- say what you did and didn't like.
- make some suggestions for improvements

Write between 70 and 100 words.

Silly Slides Water Park

Silly Slides Water Park, which just opened in Kittery Falls is a fun and exciting way to spend a day. It is Kittery Fall's premiere family park. Silly Slides features a full day of fun for the entire family whether you make a splash in the cool blue waves, take a thrilling ride down any of our 29 water slides, or just float around the lazy river. Silly Slides Water Park has 22 acres of action packed attractions, with something fun for everyone.

Dear		

Part 3

Write a letter to a friend. Tell your friend about the beach house you're staying in for the summer. Invite your friend to come for a visit. Write between 100 and 120 words.

Dear Allie,	
I'm finally here!	