

Pearson Test of English General

Practice Test 3: Written Test

Level A1
Foundation



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Please check the table below for the total time given to complete the written test at this level and score points available for each section. Please use the accompanying audio files for sections 1-3. Answer keys and transcripts are provided at the back of this document.

Sections	Skills	Score points	Level A1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
1	Listening	10	1 hour 15 mins	1 hour 35 mins	1 hour 35 mins	2 hours	2 hours 30 mins	2 hours 55 mins
2	Listening and Writing	10						
3	Listening	10						
4	Reading	5						
5	Reading	5						
6	Reading	8						
7	Reading	7						
8	Writing	10						
9	Writing	10						

The written test is scored out of **75 points** in total at all levels. Please see the *Guide to PTE General* at this level for further information.

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SECTION 1

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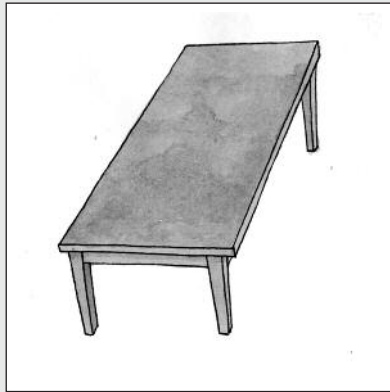


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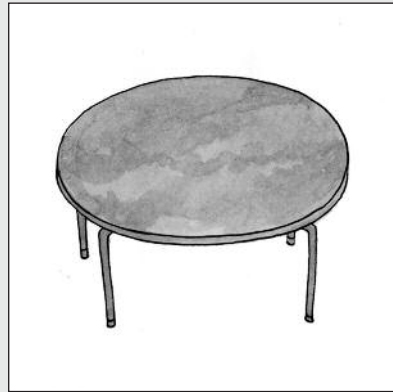
Example. Which table does she want?



A



B



C

1. Which is the correct picture?



A



B



C



2. Where are the people?



A



B

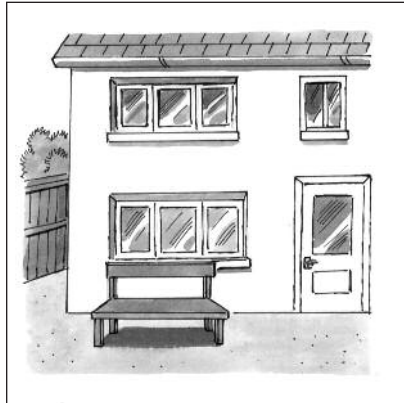


C

3. Which is the correct picture?



A



B



C

4. Who is the woman?



A



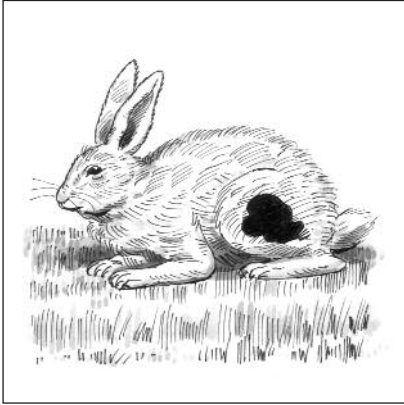
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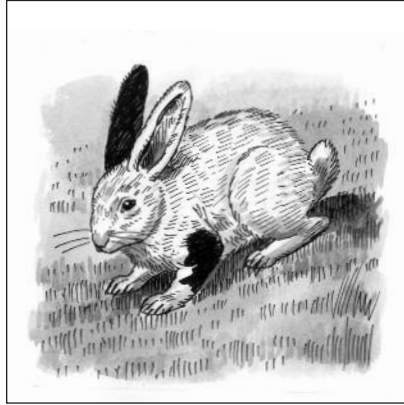
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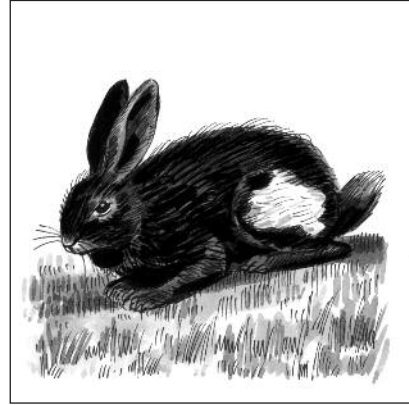
5. Which is the correct picture?



A



B

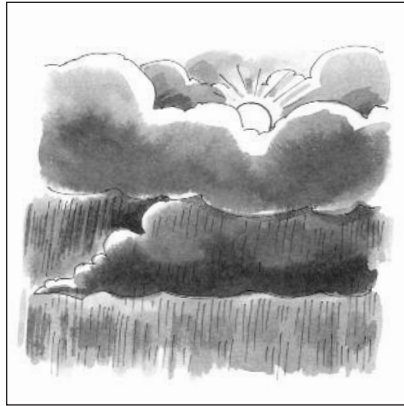


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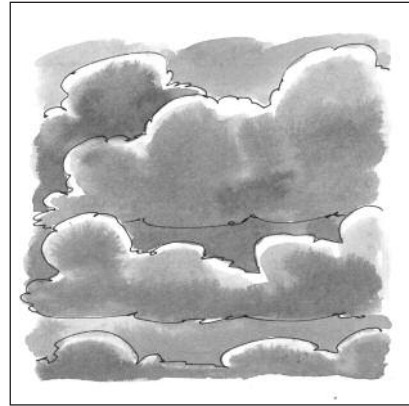
6. Which is the correct picture?



A



B



C

7. Who is the man?



A



B



C

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blank



8. Where is the woman?



A

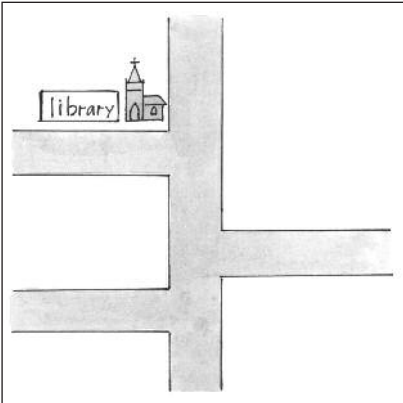


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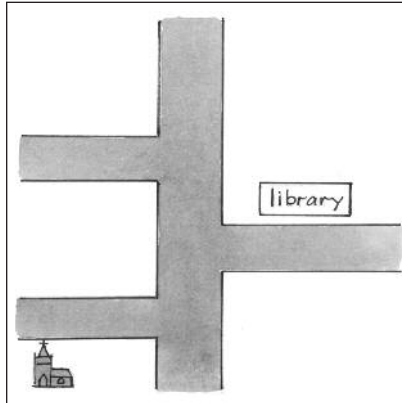


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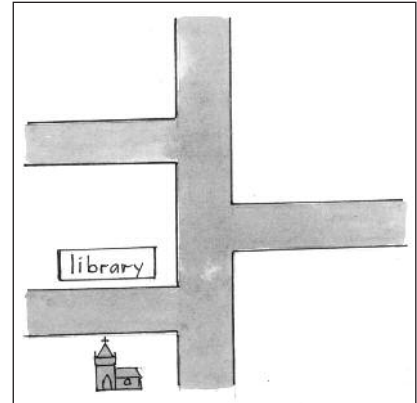
9. Which is the correct map?



A

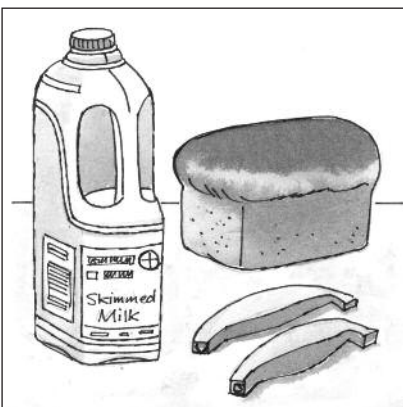


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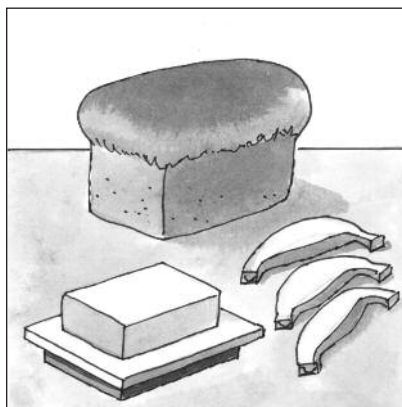


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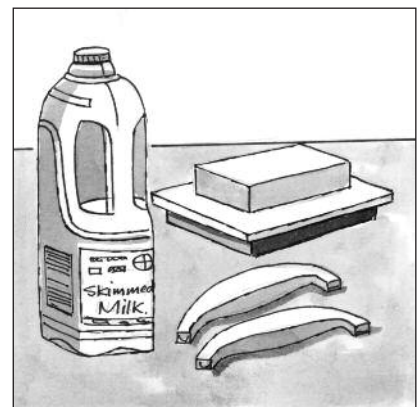
10. What does the woman want?



A



B



C

(10 marks)



SECTION 3

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You will hear an answer phone message. First, read the notes below then listen and complete the notes with information from the message. You will hear the recording twice.

Example. Message for: *Mrs. Tanner*

12 Name of caller:

13 Location of hotel:

14 Name of hotel:

15 Dates of holiday:

16 Phone number:



SECTION 3 CONTINUED

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You will hear a recorded message. First, read the notes below then listen and complete the notes with information from the forecast. You will hear the recording twice.

Example. Company name: *LUX Health Spa*

17 Website name: www.....

18 Day of dance class:.....

19 Cost of dance classes:.....

20 Pool is closed on:.....

21 Closed from 8am to:

(10 marks)

That is the end of the listening section of the test. Now go on to the other sections of the test.



SECTION 4

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Read each text and put a cross (X) by the missing word or phrase, as in the example.

Example.

Passenger announcement: All flights leaving the airport this morning are due to fog.

- A delayed
- B flying
- C seen

22.

Do not.....a loud noise. Your sister is sleeping.

- A make
- B sound
- C take

23.

The concert will be held on 12 September. Please buy your tickets in the.....

- A website
- B phone
- C shop



24.

There is a school trip to Oxford next Thursday. Please.....on the list if you want to come.

- A write your name
- B tell your friends
- C ask your teacher

25.

Danger! Please..... when driving. The roads will be very icy today and tomorrow.

- A get off
- B take care
- C be quick

26.

Special announcement

Highgate School is closing today because of the heavy snow. Please check the school's website for further information for the rest of the week.

- A possibly
- B early
- C surely

Leave blank

(5 marks)



SECTION 5

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For each question, put a cross (X) in the box below the correct picture, as in the example.

Example. Which is a picture of the holiday?

correspondence this side only

*The weather is very hot.
We go out in the morning
but in the afternoon
we sit under the trees
and sleep.*

POSTCARD

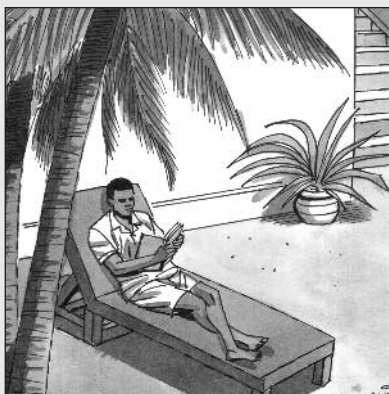
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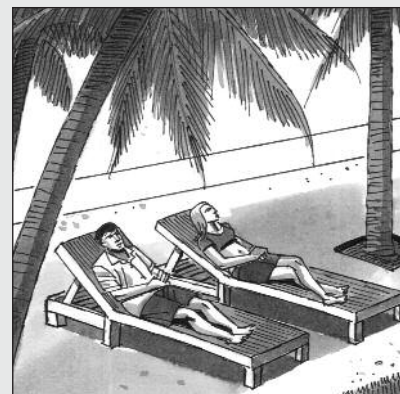
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A



B



C



27. Which is the new teacher?

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That woman over there is the new teacher. She has short hair and she's wearing a top and a long skirt.



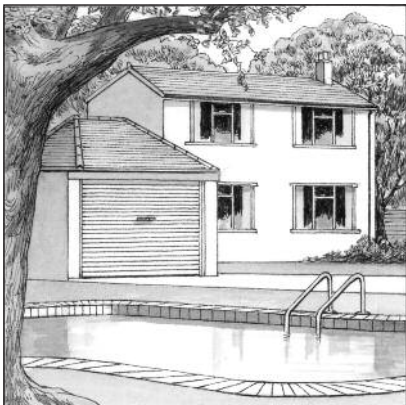
A

B

C

28. Which is the house?

We live in a large house with trees behind it. We also have a pool and a garage.



A

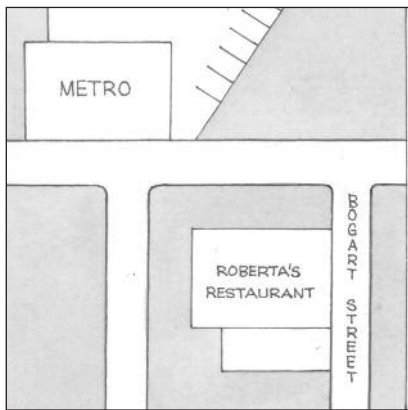
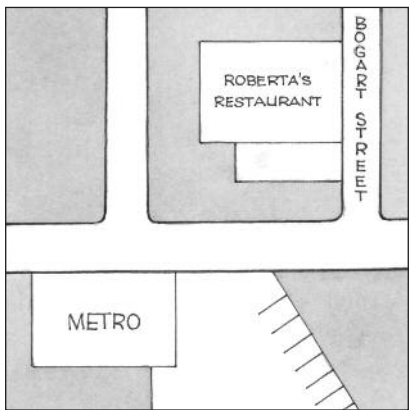
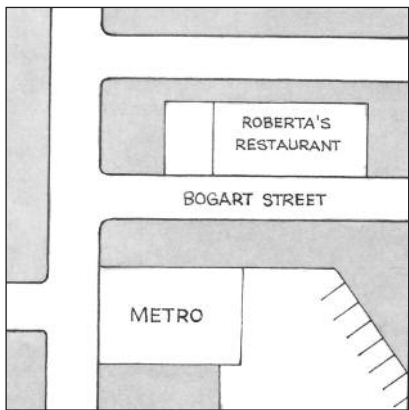
B

C



29. Which is the correct map?

Come out of the Metro station. Turn right and right again into Bogart Street. Roberta's Restaurant is on your left.



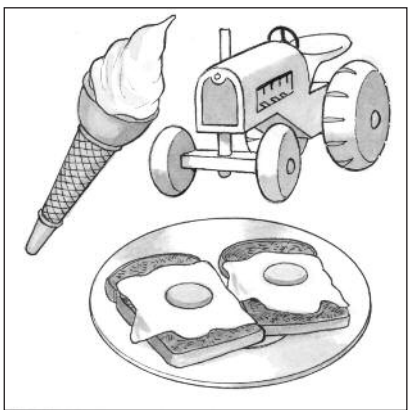
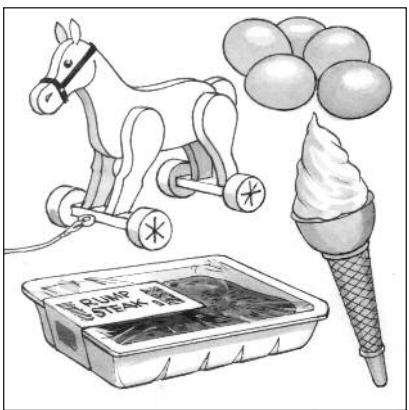
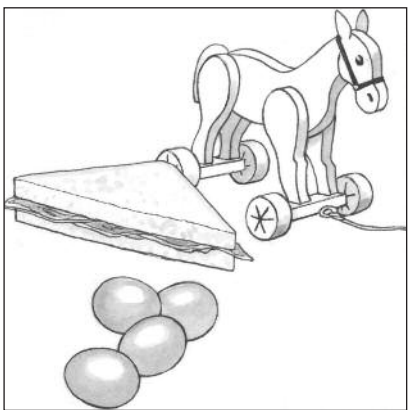
A

B

C

30. Which is the correct picture?

We sell eggs, ice cream, and toys in our farm shop.



A

B

C



31. Which is Tommy's Special Drink?

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Tommy's Special Drink. Served in a tall glass with lots of ice, a slice of lemon on the side and a straw to drink from.



A



B



C

(5 marks)



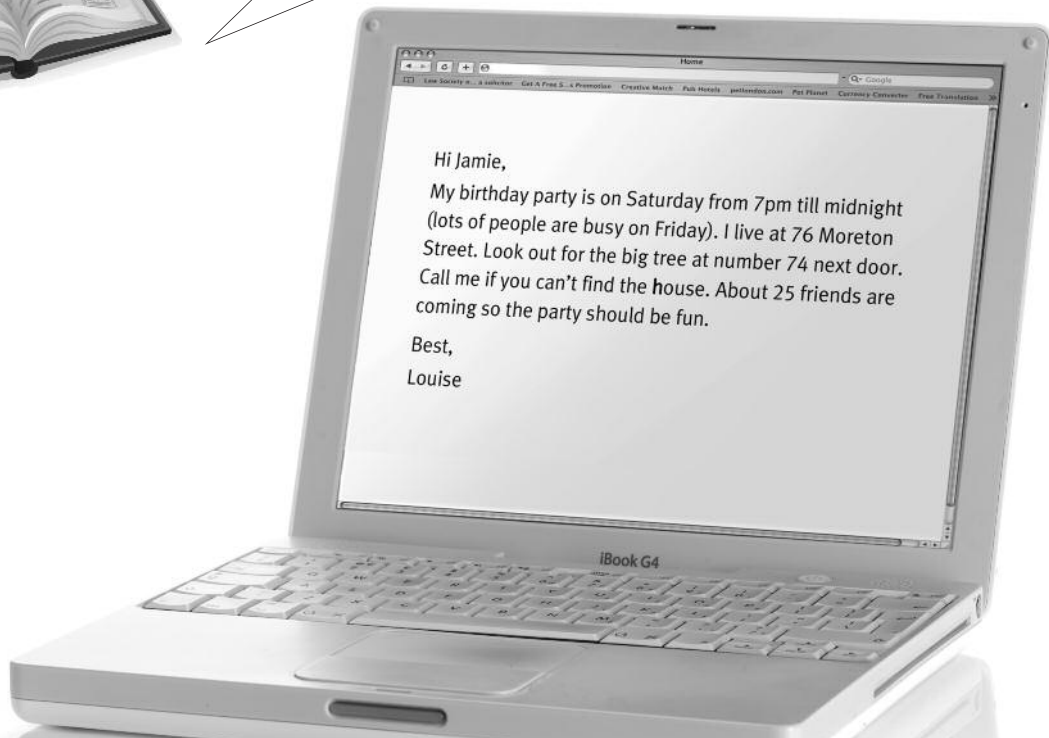
H 3 5 1 6 4 A 0 2 1 8

SECTION 6

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Read the email below and answer the questions.



Example. Why is Louise having a party? It's her birthday

32. What day of the week is the party?

33. When does the party finish?

34. What number is Louise's house?

35. How many people are coming?



SECTION 6 CONTINUED

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Read the note below and answer the questions.

Hi Jennifer,

It's been 2 weeks since I came to Spain. It's warm at the moment, and the sky is clear blue – it's a lovely spring day. I can see colourful flowers, soft green grass and fresh leaves on the trees everywhere I look in this beautiful park.

Hiroko

Example. How long has Hiroko been in Spain? 2 weeks

36. How is the weather?

37. What season is it?

38. What is the colour of the sky?

39. Where are the colourful flowers?

(8 marks)



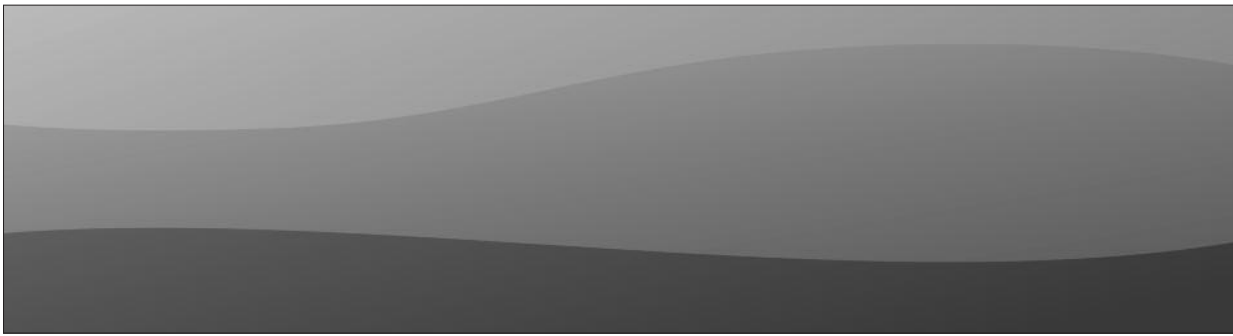
SECTION 7

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Read the website and complete the notes. Write no more than three words in each gap from the email.

Home | About | Latest News | Reviews | Testimonials | Contact Us



White Horse Farm Newsletter

Thursday 25th August 9.30am – 3pm

Suitable for 8 – 12 year olds.

Would you like to come and help out with some of the jobs on the farm?

Look after our sheep and guinea pigs. Feed our chickens and ducks, and help us find eggs to sell in our farm shop. We also have two horses called Jack and Murphy.

Places are limited so please phone the office or send an email to book a place.



H 3 5 1 6 4 A 0 2 1 8

Example. The newsletter is from: White Horse Farm

40. Start at:.....

41. Finish at:.....

42. For children no older than:.....

43. Help feed:.....

44. Find some:.....

45. Names of horses:.....

46. To book a place, email or:.....

Leave
blank

(7 marks)



SECTION 8

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Use the information in Section 7 to help you write your answer.

47. Imagine you are now at White Horse Farm. Write a postcard to a friend. Write 30 – 50 words and include the following information:

- where you are
- who you are with
- why you like the farm

Write your answer here. Do not write outside the box.

A large rectangular box containing 15 horizontal dotted lines for writing.

(10 marks)



SECTION 9

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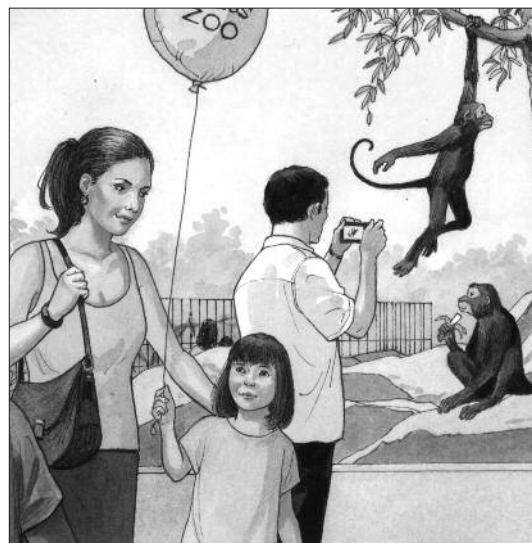
Choose one of the topics below and write your answer in 50–80 words.

48. A) Write a short story about the picture.



Or

48. B) Write a short story about the picture.



Write your answer here. Do not write outside the box.

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A large rectangular box containing 25 horizontal dotted lines for writing an answer.

(10 marks)



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ANSWER KEY

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Section 1

Example. C

1. C
2. B
3. A
4. A
5. B
6. A
7. A
8. B
9. C
10. C

Section 2

11. One thing / that is bad / for football / is wet weather. / Rain before a match / can make / the grass soft.

Section 3

Example. Mrs. Tanner

12. (Mary) Adams
13. Stone Park
14. Lake House
15. 14th – 25th July
16. 0203 256 388

Section 3 Continued

Example. LUX Health Spa

17. fitandfun.com
18. (every) Saturday
19. £30/thirty pounds
20. eleventh/11th (of) February
21. twelve thirty/12.30 (pm)



H 3 5 1 6 4 A 0 2 1 8

Leave
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Section 4

Example. A

- 22. A
- 23. C
- 24. A
- 25. B
- 26. B

Section 5

Example. C

- 27. A
- 28. C
- 29. A
- 30. B
- 31. A

Section 6

Example. It's her birthday

- 32. Saturday
- 33. (at) midnight
- 34. 76
- 35. 25

Section 6 Continued

Example. 2 weeks

- 36. warm
- 37. spring
- 38. (clear) blue
- 39. (in this/the/a beautiful) park



Section 7

Example. White Horse Farm

40. 9.30/nine thirty (am)

41. 3/three (pm/o'clock)

42. 12/twelve (years old)

43. chickens and ducks

44. eggs

45. Jack and Murphy

46. phone (the office)

Section 8

47. Sample answer:

Hi Jane,

I am now at White Horse Farm. My parents are with me too. It is fun here with lots of things to do. There are so many animals. I have seen chickens, ducks and two horses. I like helping and working on the farm.

Kathy (47 words)

Section 9

48 A. Sample answer:

It is hot and sunny today, so many people are at the Park Road Swimming Pool. Two children are playing together. They have a ball. Some people are swimming in the pool. One girl is enjoying the sunshine and reading a book by the pool. Everyone is having a good time. (51 words)

48 B. Sample answer:

Today I am at the zoo with my friends. It is a sunny day, and we can see a lot of people. One boy is eating ice cream and one little girl is holding a balloon. We can also see monkeys! One monkey is eating a banana, and another monkey is climbing. I like monkeys very much, so I'm taking a lot of pictures of monkeys on my camera. (69 words)



TRANSCRIPTS

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This is the Pearson Test of English General Level A1. This test takes 1 hour and 15 minutes.

Section 1

You will have 10 seconds to read each question and the corresponding options. Then listen to the recording. After the recording you will have 10 seconds to choose the correct option. Put a cross in the box next to the correct answer, as in the example.

Example. Listen to the woman. Which table does she want?

F: Excuse me. I'm looking for a round table. A round table for four persons. Do you have any.

The correct answer is C

1. Listen to the man speaking. Which is the correct picture?

M: We can't start playing yet. Nick has the ball, and he's going to be late.

2. Listen to the man speaking. Where are the people?

M: Hello, we would like three large fish and two bottles of mineral water please.

3. Listen to the woman speaking. Which is the correct picture?

F: It's too hot. I'm going to sit outside the house on that bench under the apple tree.

4. Listen to the woman. Who is she?

F: I'm afraid I don't have any coats left in your size. Would you like to try a medium?

5. Listen to the man speaking. Which is the correct picture?

M: Have you seen Marisa's new rabbit? It is so cute! It has one white ear and one black ear.

6. Listen to the announcement. Which is the correct picture?

M: Tomorrow's weather is mostly cloudy with a little sunshine.

7. Listen to the man speaking. Who is he?

M: I don't think you should let him go outside. Give him medicine twice a day and make another appointment for next week.

8. Listen to the woman speaking. Where is she?

F: There is a swimming class starting at 10 am. Do you have your membership card?



Section 1 Continued

9. Listen to the directions. Which is the correct map?

M: To get to the library, follow this road. The library is opposite the church.

10. Listen to the woman speaking. What does she want?

F: Could you buy a bottle of milk, some butter and bananas on your way back please?

Section 2

11. You will hear a recording about weather. Listen to the whole recording once. Then you will hear the recording again with pauses for you to write down what you hear. Make sure you spell the words correctly.

M: One thing / that is bad / for football / is wet weather. / Rain before a match / can make / the grass soft.

Section 3

12. – 16. You will hear an answer phone message. First, read the notes below. Then listen and complete the notes with information from the message. You will hear the recording twice.

F: Hello, this is a message for Mrs. Tanner. My name is Mary Adams. Adams is spelt A-D-A-M-S. We have a small hotel in the Stone Park called 'Lake House'. Thank you very much for your interest in our hotel. I'm phoning to confirm that we have rooms for the dates of your holiday – the 14th of July to the 25th of July. If you have any questions, please feel free to call us on zero two zero three – two five six – three eight eight.

Now listen again

17. – 21. You will hear a recorded message. First, read the notes below. Then listen and complete the notes with information from the message. You will hear the recording twice.

F: Thank you for calling LUX Health Spa. Our weekly activity calendar is now online at www.fitandfun.com. That's 'fit and fun' all one word. This month's dance teacher is John Davies and his classes are every Saturday. Please book your dance classes in advance. The classes cost £30. Also, the pool will be closed on the 11th of February from 8am – 12.30pm. That's 11th of February, 8am to 12.30pm.

Now listen again

That is the end of the listening section of the test. Now go on to the other sections of the test.



