

# **ESOL International**

# **English Listening Examination**

# **Level A2 Improver**

# **Instructions to learners**

Check that you have the correct paper.

Do not open the paper until you are told to do so.

Please complete the information on the Answer Booklet.

Listen to the instructions.

Use black or blue ink. Do not use pencil.

You must not use a dictionary.

Total marks available: 31

You have **35 minutes** to finish the examination.



#### Part 1

You will hear ten sentences twice. Choose the best answer in each situation.

Now look at the answers. You have three minutes to read the answers.

Now listen to the sentences and select the best answer. Record your answers on the Answer Booklet.

- 1. a. I haven't been to Spain.
  - b. I went to Spain.
  - c. I'm going to Spain.
- 2. a. No thank you, I have eaten.
  - b. Yes, I would love to come for dinner tomorrow.
  - c. Would you like some food?
- 3. a. I saw him yesterday.
  - b. He is at work.
  - c. She is coming home.
- 4. a. I love the park.
  - b. I went to the park this afternoon.
  - c. 10am is ok.
- 5. a. Yes it looks nice.
  - b. No, I don't wear jumpers.
  - c. What colour is it?

- 6. a. I will cycle to town.
  - b. I walk to work.
  - c. I am not in town.
- 7. a. Do you feel ok?
  - b. Yes, I am having a great time.
  - c. I like it here.
- 8. a. I like my teacher.
  - b. My friend is called Lilianna.
  - c. Miss Smith.
- 9. a. No, you can.
  - b. Yes, you can.
  - c. Yes, you can't.
- 10. a. Footballs are over there.
  - b. What colour would you like?
  - c. Do you play football?



#### Part 2

You will now hear two conversations. You will hear them twice.

You have two minutes to look at the questions for both conversations.

Now listen to Conversation 1.

Record your answers on the Answer Booklet.

#### **Conversation 1**

#### 1. What is the conversation about?

- a. Going to school.
- b. Ordering a pizza.
- c. Planning a party.

#### 2. When is Kelly's birthday?

- a. Next week.
- b. Wednesday, next year.
- c. Last Wednesday.

#### 3. How many friends will Kelly invite?

- a. Two.
- b. Three.
- c. Four.

## 4. How will they get the pizza for the party?

- a. Kelly's mum will cook it.
- b. They will order it online.
- c. Kelly's dad will collect it.

## 5. What type of cake will it be?

- a. Chocolate.
- b. Coffee cream.
- c. Cherry.

Now listen to the conversation again and check your answers.

Now listen to <u>Conversation 2</u>.

Record your answers on the Answer Booklet.

#### **Conversation 2**

#### 1. What is the name of the hotel?

- a. Seafront Hotel.
- b. King's Hotel.
- c. Superior Hotel.

# 2. What date do they want to book a room from?

- a. 22nd February.
- b. 23rd February.
- c. 24th February.

#### 3. How much is the superior suite room?

- a. £150 per night.
- b. £230 per night.
- c. £368 for two nights.

#### 4. What is included in their stay?

- a. A meal for both nights.
- b. Breakfast.
- c. Afternoon tea.

# 5. How many people are they booking for?

- a. Two people.
- b. Three people.
- c. Four people.

Now listen to the conversation again and check your answers.



#### Part 3

You will now hear two broadcasts. You will hear them twice.

You have three minutes to look at the questions for both broadcasts.

Now listen to Broadcast 1.

Record your answers on the Answer Booklet.

Now listen to <u>Broadcast 2</u>.
Record your answers on the Answer Booklet.

#### **Broadcast 1**

# 1. Where was the match played?

- a. The Etihad Stadium.
- b. The England Stadium.
- c. The City Stadium.

## 2. Who won the football match last night?

- a. Barcelona.
- b. Manchester City.
- c. Spain.

# 3. Andy Murray lost his match in the:

- a. Spanish Open.
- b. French Open.
- c. French Final.

# 4. Where is Andy Murray on his way to today?

- a. Wales.
- b. France.
- c. Scotland.

#### 5. What is the next broadcast?

- a. Weather broadcast.
- b. Sport broadcast.
- c. Football broadcast.

# Listen to the broadcast again and check your answers.

# Broadcast 2

# 1. What place is being described?

- a. United Kingdom.
- b. United Arab Emirates.
- c. United States.

# 2. Where is the biggest airport in Europe?

- a. Cardiff.
- b. Belfast.
- c. London.

# 3. Edinburgh castle is:

- a. On the Royal Mile.
- b. On a hill.
- c. In the city.

# 4. Why is Cardiff good for shopping?

- a. It has the most indoor shopping centres.
- b. It has the biggest port.
- c. It's the capital city.

#### 5. Where is Belfast?

- a. England.
- b. Scotland.
- c. Northern Ireland.

# 6. Where is the biggest port in the United Kingdom?

- a. Edinburgh.
- b. Belfast.
- c. Cardiff.

Listen to the broadcast again and check your answers.

**End of Examination** 



## **ESOL International**

# **English Reading Examination**

# **Level A2 Improver**

# Instructions to learners

Check that you have the correct paper.

Please complete the information above.

Use black or blue ink. Do not use a pencil.

You may NOT use a dictionary.

There are 31 questions in this examination.

You must attempt all the questions.

Record your answers on the Answer Booklet.

Total marks available: 31

You have **60 minutes** to finish the examination..



# Part 1 Match the pictures with the correct word. Record your answers on the Answer Booklet.

	a. Astronaut. b. Doctor. c. Nurse.
2.	a. Horse. b. Donkey. c. Camel.
3.	a. Road. b. Grass. c. Desert.
4.	a. Elephant. b. Dinosaur. c. Cat.
5.	a. Notebook. b. Postcard. c. Envelope.



# Match the picture with the word. Record your answers on the Answer Booklet.

6.	a. Wall. b. Gate. c. Flower.
7.	a. Key. b. Pencil. C. Pen.
8.	a. Watch. b. Necklace. c. Ring.
9.	a. Bird. b. Bowl. c. Nest.
	a. Newspaper. b. Book. c. Leaflet.



# Part 2

Choose the correct word to fill the gaps. Record your answers on the Answer Booklet.

How	to	make	a cu	p of tea
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1.	Step one,		the kettle with water and wait for it to boil.		
	a.	Fill.			
	b.	Wait.			
	c.	Take out.			
2.	Ne	xt,	your teabag into your cup, and pour the hot water on top.		
		Wait.			
	b.	Take out.			
	c.	Put.			
3.	The	en,	for three minutes.		
		Wait.	<del></del>		
	b.	Take out.			
	C.	Put.			
4.	Sti	r the tea with	a spoon and the teabag.		
	a.	Fill.			
	b.	Wait.			
	c.	Take out.			
5.	Fin	ally,	sugar or milk to your tea.		
	a.	Wait.			
	b.	Add.			
	c.	Take out.			



# Part 3

Choose the correct word to fill the gaps. Record your answers on the Answer Booklet.

<b>5</b> .			you open the window?
	a.	Can.	
	b.	Do.	
	c.	See.	
7.	Ιlο	ve	to music.
	a.	Listening	
	b.	Hearing.	
	c.	Playing.	
3.	The	ere	many shops in my town.
	a.	ls.	
	b.	Have.	
	c.	Are.	
9.	Have you		your homework?
	a.	Did.	
	b.	Finished.	
	c.	Complete	e.
10.	Sorry, I am		I hope I didn't miss anything
	a.	Arrived.	
	b.	Early.	
	c.	Late.	



#### Part 4

Read the following text and answer the questions. Record your answers on the Answer Booklet.

#### Text 1

## Choosing sunglasses and glasses to suit your face shape

#### **Oval faces**

Your oval face shape means that almost all frame shapes will suit you. You will have lots to choose from. Go bold with an oversized style or try something smaller with a teacup shape.

#### **Heart-shaped faces**

Heart-shaped faces have both soft and straight lines. The world's your oyster when it comes to glasses shapes. A cat-eye frame will be perfect for your face shape.

#### **Round faces**

We recommend you go for styles that are perfect for your soft and curved appearance. Round glasses will look great on you. Play it safe with metal styles or go bold with colourful frames.

#### Square faces

Your clear jawline means you have a great face shape for square and rectangle shaped frames. Why not try some nice brightly coloured frames too? Keep away from round shape frames.

#### 11. What is the text about?

- a. The most popular glasses styles.
- b. How to pick glasses that suit you.
- c. Where to buy glasses.

#### 12. If you have an oval face you can:

- a. Only have teacup shaped glasses.
- b. Only have square frames.
- c. Select almost any frame shape.

#### 13. If you have a heart-shaped face you have:

- a. Straight lines.
- b. Soft lines.
- c. Both soft and straight lines.

# 14. What type of style is good for a heartshaped face?

- a. Cat-eye style.
- b. Heart-shaped style.
- c. Oyster-shaped style.

# 15. People with round faces should choose:

- a. Teacup shaped glasses.
- b. Round glasses.
- c. Square glasses.

# 16. Which type of frames are not recommended for people with square faces.

- a. Round.
- b. Rectangle.
- c. Square.



Read the text and answer the questions. Record your answers on the Answer Booklet.

#### Text 5

#### Fruits of the UK

#### **Apples**

One of the best-known fruits in the UK is the apple. There are over 2500 different types of apple in the UK. They are grown all around the country, mostly in the south and the west of England.

#### **Pears**

Pears are sweet and soft, and they grow on trees. They are ready for picking in August or September, so they are excellent for a late-summer snack. Many people make delicious pies or jam with pears.

## Grapes

Not many people know that the UK grows grapes. There are many areas in the UK, where grapes are grown to make wine. You can now buy British red, or white wine in some local shops. British winemakers say, their grapes make the best white wine too.

#### **Strawberries**

Strawberries are very common in the UK. In the countryside, these are grown in huge fields, and picked in July. Sometimes, you can see them growing in the city too, on the side of the road or next to a railway line.

#### 17. What is the text about?

- a. How much fruit buy in the UK.
- b. Fruits that grow in the UK.
- c. Wine for special occasions.

# 18. Where are apples grown?

- a. Only in the south of England.
- b. All around the country,
- c. Only in the west of England.

#### 19. When are pears ready for picking.

- a. June.
- b. July.
- c. August.

#### 20. What are British grapes for?

- a. White wine.
- b. A snack.
- c. Fields and farms.

# 21. Where is fruit grown?

- a. Motorways and shops.
- b. Pies and jam.
- c. Huge fields.

**End of Examination** 



## **ESOL International**

# **English Writing Examination**

# **Level A2 Improver**

#### Instructions to learners

Check that you have the correct paper. Please complete the information above.

There are four tasks. You must attempt all tasks.

- You must write two sentences for Task 1
- You must write five sentences for Task 2
- You must write ten sentences for Task 3
- You must fill in the gap with the correct word for Task 4.

Use black or blue ink. Do not use a pencil.

You may NOT use a dictionary.

Total marks available: 40

Allow time to check your work before the end of the examination.

You have **60 minutes** to finish the examination.



Task 1 Form filling Allow around ten minutes for this task. (10 marks)

You are joining a local library.

Fill in the form on the Answer Booklet.

Write two sentences about what types of books you are interested in and why.

Use a conjunction in each sentence.

**Task 2 Description** - Allow around 15 minutes for this task. (14 marks)

Describe the picture.

Write five sentences.

Use two prepositions of place, four adjectives and three conjunctions.

Write your description on the Answer Booklet.





Task 3 Free Writing - Allow 25 minutes for this task. (13 marks)

Write ten sentences about a party that you attended. You may include:

- where it was
- what you did
- what you ate and drank
- who you were with.

Remember to check your spelling and punctuation.

Your writing must include four adjectives and four conjunctions.

Write your answer on the Answer Booklet.



Task 4 Gap Filling - Allow ten minutes for this task. (3 marks)

Look at the sentences. Choose the correct word to fill in the gap. See example below.

# Record your answers on the Answer Booklet.

Exam	ole:		
1	went for a walk with my friend yesterd	'ay.	
b.	Went gone been		
a.	/hat's favourite meal? you're your you	4. She likes to music. a. listen b. listens c. listening	
2. <b>It</b> a. b. c.	were	5. I that book last mo a. red b. readed c. read	onth.
3. <b>W</b> a. b. c.	did	6. Tom and Harry for Saturday morning. a. play b. playing c. plays	otball ever

**End of Examination** 



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