

ESOL International

English Listening Examination

Level A1 Beginner

Texts to be used with the examination.

These will be recorded and sent to the centre on a disk prior to the examination.

Instructions are written in underlined italics and should not be recorded.

The recording must be played in full from start to finish.

This is the NOCN ESOL International Beginner Level A1 Listening examination.

Please check that your name and other details are on your mark sheet.

The invigilator will have explained how to fill in the mark sheet.

Do not write on your examination paper.

Put your answers on the mark sheet.

The Listening examination will now begin.

Part 1

You will hear ten sentences. Read the replies on your examination paper.

You have two minutes to read the replies on your examination paper.

Pause for two minutes.

Listen to the sentences. You will hear the sentences in full twice. Choose the best reply for the situation. You will then have two minutes to check your answers.

Play the sentences.

1. **What is your job?**
2. **When is your birthday?**
3. **Can you come to my party?**
4. **What time do you finish work?**
5. **Where is the supermarket?**
6. **What are you doing now?**
7. **What sports do you like?**
8. **Would you like a cup of tea?**
9. **Do you have any sisters?**
10. **How many people are in your class?**

Pause for five seconds after the first reading.

Now listen to the sentences again.

Play the sentences again.

Now check your answers. You have two minutes to check your answers.

Pause for two minutes after the second reading.

Part 2 – Conversations

You will hear two conversations. Read the questions and answers on your examination paper for both conversations. You have two minutes to read them.

Pause for two minutes.

Listen to **Conversation 1**. You will hear the conversation twice. Answer the questions.

You will then have two minutes to check your answers.

Play the conversation.

Customer:	Hello. Do you have a breakfast menu?
Waiter:	Yes, we have the breakfast and lunch menu on the side there.
Customer:	Thank you. Do you do any breakfast offers?
Waiter:	Yes, we do a free drink with a full English breakfast.
Customer:	Great! What comes with the breakfast?
Waiter:	1 egg, a sausage, some tomatoes, beans and toast.
Customer:	Lovely. I will have one of those please.
Waiter:	Would you like fruit juice, tea or coffee with that?
Customer:	Could I have a coffee please. How much will that be?
Waiter:	£7.99.
Customer:	That is a good price! Thank you.

Pause for ten seconds after the first reading.

Now listen to the conversation again.

Play the conversation again.

Now check your answers. You have two minutes to check your answers.

Pause for two minutes after the second reading.

Part 2 – Conversations

Listen to **Conversation 2**. You will hear the conversation twice. Answer the questions.

You will then have two minutes to check your answers.

Play the conversation

Receptionist:	Hello, Seaside Hotel. Can I help you?
Customer:	Yes. I'm calling to book a room, please.
Receptionist:	No problem. When do you want to stay?
Customer:	Next weekend, please. From Friday to Sunday.
Receptionist:	How many people are staying?
Customer:	Four. My husband and I, and our two older children.
Receptionist:	OK. Would you like one room or two?
Customer:	Two please. Can we have a room next to the children?
Receptionist:	Ok let me check... I'm sorry, I can't see any rooms next to each other. I can ask my manager and he can call you back.
Customer:	Thank you. Bye.
Receptionist:	Bye.

Pause for ten seconds after the first reading.

Now listen to the conversation again.

Play the conversation again.

Now check your answers. You have two minutes to check your answers.

Pause for two minutes after the second reading.

Part 3 – Broadcasts

You will hear two broadcasts. Read the questions and answers on your examination paper for both broadcasts. You have two minutes to read them.

Pause for two minutes.

Listen to **Broadcast 1**. You will hear the broadcast twice. Answer the questions.

You will then have two minutes to check your answers.

Play the broadcast.

Good morning. Here is the weather forecast for today.

In London, it is bright and sunny all day. The temperature is twenty-eight degrees. Make sure you wear sunscreen. Wear a hat if you are out in the sun. Drink lots of water. Stay out of the sun in the afternoon.

In Manchester, it is cooler. The temperature is eighteen degrees. There is a light wind. Wear a jacket to keep warm.

In Cardiff, it is sunny. The temperature is twenty-six degrees. There is a chance of rain. Don't forget your umbrella. You might need a rain coat.

Pause for ten seconds after the first reading.

Now listen to the broadcast again.

Play the broadcast again.

Now check your answers. You have two minutes to check your answers.

Pause for two minutes after the second reading.

Part 3 – Broadcasts

Listen to **Broadcast 2**. You will hear the broadcast twice. Answer the questions.

You will then have two minutes to check your answers.

Play the broadcast.

Can you bake cakes?

We are looking for 10 people to be part of our new TV show. It is called 'Cake Bake Superstars'.

You will spend six weeks cooking different cakes from all over the world. You will meet the famous cake chef, Alison Shaw. The best cake recipes will be printed in a cookbook.

If you want to be part of this TV show, fill in the form on our website. You need to include your name and your address. Say why you think you should be on the show. You must be 18 or over. Send some pictures of your baking.

Go to www.cakebakeonTV.com and click 'apply'. The closing date is 25th June, so what are you waiting for?

Pause for ten seconds after the first reading.

Now listen to the broadcast again.

Play the broadcast again.

Now check your answers. You have two minutes to check your answers.

Pause for two minutes after the second reading.

That is the end of the Listening examination. Please check your mark sheet is completed correctly. Put your pens down.

End of Examination

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