



Learning Resource Network

LRN LEVEL 1 CERTIFICATE IN ESOL INTERNATIONAL (CEF B2)

LEVEL B2

LISTENING
WRITING
READING AND USE

EXAM PAPER A – JUNE 2022

DURATION:

LISTENING

30 MINUTES

WRITING
READING
AND USE

2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Do not open this paper until you are told to do so.
- Read the instructions before answering the questions.
- You will hear Section 1, Section 2 and Section 3 of the Listening TWICE.
- You will hear Section 3 of the Listening AGAIN in Writing, Section 1.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Mark your answers on the separate Answer Sheet in pencil.
- Use an HB2 pencil.
- Complete **TWO** Tasks in the Writing Section.
- Write your Tasks in the Writing Booklet in pencil.
- You must ask any questions now as you cannot speak during the Test.

Listen to **9** short conversations. For questions **1-9**, choose the best answer (**A, B or C**). You will hear each conversation **TWICE**. You now have **2 minutes** to read the questions. Mark your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.

The documentary

1. It seems that Kyle's mum
 - A. has not heard of the Beatles before.
 - B. is surprised Kyle watched a documentary about pop music.
 - C. does not think the Beatles was such a good band.

Comics

2. What is **TRUE** according to what you hear?
 - A. Tom found the comics by accident.
 - B. Tom would like to buy some comics.
 - C. Tom got no pleasure from reading the comics.

Summer plans

3. From what you hear about their summer plans, you understand that
 - A. Claire will go on holiday for a month.
 - B. Mark wants to relax after studying hard.
 - C. Mark is uncertain about what he will do.

The dress

4. Sophie did not buy the dress because
 - A. the shop did not have one that fit her.
 - B. it was too expensive for her.
 - C. it did not suit her.

The class talk

5. How does Lewis feel about his class talk?
 - A. unprepared
 - B. overconfident
 - C. anxious

The party

6. It seems that Helen
 - A. felt unwell on Saturday night.
 - B. had a good reason not to go to the party.
 - C. did not really want to go to the party.

Going shopping

7. What has Sally forgotten?
 - A. her credit card
 - B. her shopping list
 - C. her shopping bag

The hobby

8. From what you hear, you understand that
 - A. David is discouraged with his progress in learning the guitar.
 - B. both David and Wendy are learning to play the guitar.
 - C. David will never stop trying to learn how to play the guitar.

Getting in shape

9. What is **FALSE** according to what you hear?
 - A. Robert has been working out quite a bit recently.
 - B. Robert gained weight while doing a project for work.
 - C. Chloe has not been to the gym for a while.

Listen to **3** longer conversations. For questions **10-15**, choose the best answer (**A, B or C**). You will hear each conversation **TWICE**. You now have **1 minute** to read the questions.

Mark your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.

The camera

10. What is **TRUE** according to what you hear?
- A. Jessica did not pay a lot of money for the camera.
 - B. Jessica's parents helped her buy the camera.
 - C. Jessica was given the camera by some relatives.
11. One reason Jessica wanted the camera is that
- A. her smartphone does not have a good camera.
 - B. she has decided to have a career in photography.
 - C. she is enthusiastic about taking pictures as a hobby.

The accident

12. What happened to Nick on Friday?
- A. He broke a bottle of wine.
 - B. He injured his pet cat.
 - C. He fell over in his house.
13. From what you hear, you understand that Nick
- A. had to go to the hospital.
 - B. called a nurse to his house.
 - C. was looked after by his sister.

The new series

14. What does Alex say about the series that Jane recommended?
- A. He thinks Jane exaggerated how good it was.
 - B. He was glad Jane suggested he watch it.
 - C. He is happy to have watched all the episodes.
15. According to what you hear, you understand that
- A. Jane thinks the show is exciting from the first episode.
 - B. Alex agrees to try watching the series again.
 - C. Jane believes that Alex will probably not enjoy the series.

Listen to Holly's message for her friend, Richard. For questions **16-20**, choose the best answer (**A, B or C**). You will hear the message **TWICE**. You now have **1 minute** to look at the questions.

Mark your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.

16. From what you hear, you understand that Richard
- A. has recently bought a new bike.
 - B. will be very busy this weekend.
 - C. went for a long bike ride the other day.
17. Holly said that on Sunday there would be quite a lot of
- A. sunshine.
 - B. wind.
 - C. rain.
18. What is **FALSE** according to what you hear?
- A. Holly knows how to get to the forest.
 - B. Holly and Richard will be safe cycling to the forest.
 - C. Holly says they will have to be careful of cars in the forest.
19. What does Holly say about the picnic?
- A. She will prepare a lot of things.
 - B. She thinks it should be simple.
 - C. She wants Richard to prepare it.
20. What is **TRUE** according to what you hear?
- A. Holly does not think they will have time to play in the forest.
 - B. Holly thinks the weather forecast might not be right.
 - C. Holly thinks it is unnecessary to bring extra clothes with them.

Now, **open** your **Writing Booklet**, turn to **Writing, Section 1, Task 1** and listen to the instructions. You have **1 minute** to open your **Writing Booklet**.

Task 1

Listen to Holly's message for her friend, Richard, **again**. **USE** the space provided in the **Writing Booklet** to take notes. You **need to use** the information from the recording and the notes you have taken to write an **email** to a friend of yours inviting him/her on a long bicycle trip in the countryside.

Write your **email** in the **Writing Booklet, Task 1**.

Your notes will not be marked.

Take notes for the following information or for anything else you wish.

Plans for the bicycle trip

- what the weather will be like
- where to go
- when to leave
- what to do there

Trip preparations

- what to take to avoid getting lost
- what food to pack
- what to bring to have fun
- what clothes to bring

**Write your notes in
the Writing Booklet**

You must do Task 1.

Write your **email** in the space provided in the **Writing Booklet**. You **need to use** the notes you have taken. You may add any other relevant information you wish.

Write your **email** in **100-120** words.

You want to do something interesting this Sunday. Write an email to a friend of yours inviting him/her on a long bicycle trip in the countryside.

Choose **ONE** of the following **Writing Tasks**. **USE** the points given below each **Task**. You may add your own points if you wish.

Write your **Task** in the space provided in the **Writing Booklet** in **120-170** words.

Task 2

A new neighbour moved in next to your house/flat. Write a letter to a friend of yours telling him/her about what you did to welcome your new neighbour.

In your letter, you must mention

- when your neighbour moved in
- what you did to welcome your new neighbour
- how your neighbour felt about what you did

OR

Task 3

Write a story that begins:

'When I looked through the curtains, I saw a little boy crying.'

Continue the story.

OR

Task 4

Write an essay about the advantages and disadvantages of spending our free time at home.

In your essay, you should talk about the

advantages of spending our free time at home

- have more time to relax
- spend quality time with family
- save money

disadvantages of spending our free time at home

- avoid exercising
- miss spending time with friends
- develop some unhealthy eating habits

Read the text below about *The Miss America Pageant* and then answer the questions that follow. For questions **1-8**, choose the best answer (**A, B or C**).

Mark your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.

The Miss America Pageant

The Miss America Pageant, better known as, simply, Miss America, is an annual beauty contest in the USA, open only to American women between the ages of 17 and 25. It was Phineas T. Barnum, a well-known American showman and businessman, who, in 1854, organised the first women's beauty contest, as well as other contests judging dogs, flowers and even babies. Barnum's beauty contest, however, did not attract much public interest. Instead, people protested against it as they thought it insulted women.

In 1921, the first Miss America contest took place in Atlantic City. Newspapers advertised the event in an attempt to encourage tourists to extend their stay in the city after Labour Day, an American holiday which symbolised the end of summer and the beginning of autumn. Although there were only 7 participants, the contest was a success. About 100,000 people gathered to watch the young contestants in their swimsuits. The selection of the winner was based on both the crowd's cheers and the points given by the judges. Margaret Gorman, the winner, received a trophy as well as 100 dollars in prize-money.

Within just a few years, Miss America became a popular annual event in the USA, attracting 75 contestants in 1927. However, the event was shut down from 1928 to 1932 as some people in Atlantic City thought it offended women. Then, in 1933, some Atlantic City business people decided **to revive** the contest, hoping it could help the city's economy. However, the contest attracted so little attention from newspapers and radio that it was a huge financial failure. In 1938, a talent competition was introduced to the contest so that the women could be judged on more than just their appearance. During the 1940s, the Miss America Organisation, which ran the contest, began to award participants and winners with college scholarships, trying to improve the image of the contest by combining beauty, intelligence and personality. Miss America has always received a lot of criticism, but since it began to be televised in the early 1950s, it has grown in popularity and become part of American culture.

_____ , Miss America has gone through a lot of changes. One of the most important changes was the removal of the swimsuit competition in 2018. "We will no longer judge our candidates on their outward physical appearance," announced the Miss America Organisation on a popular American television programme. Today, candidates are judged on their talent, performances and live private interviews in which they talk about their achievements, their goals in life and the ways they can help the world.

1. From what you read in the 1st paragraph, you understand that Miss America
A. takes place once a year.
B. accepts candidates from all countries.
C. has no rules regarding age.
2. One reason Barnum's beauty contest in 1854 was not successful was that
A. he was too busy organising other contests.
B. the public had never heard of him.
C. people thought it disrespected women.
3. What is **TRUE** about the 1921 Miss America contest according to the 2nd paragraph?
A. It did not offer any financial awards.
B. It took place at the beginning of the summer.
C. A small number of women took part in it.
4. What does the word "**revive**" in the 3rd paragraph mean?
A. call off
B. bring back
C. take off
5. From what you read in the 3rd paragraph, you understand that the 1933 Miss America contest
A. brought a lot of money to Atlantic City.
B. received much media publicity.
C. was a disappointment.
6. What is **FALSE** according to the 3rd paragraph?
A. The 1938 Miss America contest differed from previous contests.
B. Television helped Miss America to become popular.
C. Television brought an end to criticisms against Miss America.
7. Which of the following options can best fill in the blank in the last paragraph?
A. Once again
B. Over the years
C. In the beginning
8. In the last paragraph, the author
A. gives some information about today's Miss America.
B. expresses her personal opinion of Miss America.
C. proposes a new change to Miss America.

Read the following two passages about *Sea Turtles*. For questions, **9-15**, choose the best answer (**A, B or C**).

Mark your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.

Sea Turtles

Facts about Sea Turtles

Sea turtles are one of the oldest reptile groups on Earth. They have been around since the time of the dinosaurs, more than 100 million years ago. Prehistoric turtles lived on land and probably looked much like tortoises, a similar, but exclusively land animal. The legs of those ancient turtles were huge and strong, designed to support their heavy body. Over time, though, their legs **evolved** into flippers as they had to adapt to a life in water. Today, there are seven different species of sea turtles, living in almost every ocean throughout the world except the cold waters of the Arctic and Antarctic oceans.

Sea turtles rarely leave the ocean, which makes it difficult for scientists to study their behaviour in the wild. However, every two to four years, adult females go ashore where they dig nests to lay eggs. What is amazing is that after years of travelling in the open ocean, female turtles return to their birthplace to lay eggs. Baby sea turtles, called hatchlings, break out of their eggs in seven to ten weeks, depending on the species and the temperature of the sand.

The eating habits of sea turtles vary with species and age. Some species start as vegetarians, but as adults, they eat both animals and plants; other species eat only meat, while others are plant eaters; some species have a very specialised diet; for example, the leatherback turtle feeds mainly on sponges.

9. What is **FALSE** about sea turtles according to the 1st paragraph?
 - A. They once coexisted with dinosaurs.
 - B. They have always lived in water.
 - C. They are a kind of reptile.

10. What does the word '**evolved**' in the 1st paragraph mean?
 - A. included
 - B. changed
 - C. survived

11. From what you read in the 2nd paragraph, you understand that
 - A. scientists have never tried to study sea turtles in the wild.
 - B. female sea turtles lay eggs on land.
 - C. all sea turtle hatchlings take the same time to break out of their eggs.

12. What is **TRUE** according to the last paragraph?
 - A. The majority of sea turtle species are vegetarian.
 - B. Sponges are the only food that leatherback turtles eat.
 - C. The diet of some sea turtles changes with age.

Threats to Sea Turtles

Sea turtles have swum the world's oceans for millions of years and managed to survive a number of catastrophes that caused the extinction of many other species. Today, however, all seven sea turtle species in the world are considered either threatened or endangered.

In nature, sea turtles face a lot of threats. For example, some animals, like raccoons, foxes and crabs, eat sea turtle eggs. After their birth, only one to two percent of sea turtle hatchlings manage to survive as a lot of land and sea animals prey on them. Although natural threats might be alarming, it is human activity that is mainly responsible for the serious reduction in sea turtle populations worldwide. Artificial lighting is one of the greatest threats to the survival of hatchlings. When hatchlings are born, their instinct pushes them to go towards the brightest light in view, which, in nature, is the light of the moon and this leads them into the ocean. However, city lights on coasts send hatchlings in the wrong direction; as a result, hundreds of them are often killed on roads or eaten by other animals on land.

Sea pollution is also responsible for the death of a lot of sea turtles. As floating plastic bags look like jellyfish, sea turtles eat them by mistake and often die as a result. _____, sea turtles can get trapped in abandoned fishing nets and, unable to reach the surface to breathe, they drown.

13. From what you read in the 1st paragraph, you understand that
- A. sea turtles did not face any serious threats in the past.
 - B. few animal species have gone extinct.
 - C. there are seven species of sea turtles in existence today.
14. What is **TRUE** according to the 2nd paragraph?
- A. Once they are born, most hatchlings can easily survive predators.
 - B. Artificial light can cause the death of hatchlings.
 - C. There is nothing to guide hatchlings towards the ocean.
15. Which of the following can fill in the blank in the 3rd paragraph?
- A. In addition
 - B. At least
 - C. For this reason

For questions **16-30**, choose the best answer (**A, B or C**).

Mark your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.

16. "This is the first time he has been abroad,?"

- A. does he
- B. hasn't it
- C. isn't it

17. Claire did not answer all the test questions as she well enough.

- A. hadn't studied
- B. isn't studying
- C. hasn't studied

18. Richard has got two close friends, live in the same neighbourhood.

- A. both of whom
- B. either of the two
- C. only one of them

19. Despite experience, he was offered the job.

- A. his lack of
- B. of lacking
- C. he lacked

20. Some young people are to talk about their problems.

- A. so shy
- B. too shy
- C. enough shy

21. "As their wedding day approaches, the young couple more and more anxious."

- A. have got
- B. will get
- C. are getting

22. "The trip was not I had thought it would be."

- A. too exciting that
- B. so exciting as
- C. the most exciting of

23. "Unless he gives us, there is little we can do to help."
- A. many accurate information
 - B. information more accurate
 - C. more accurate information
24. Never such a serious problem.
- A. has he faced
 - B. he has faced
 - C. has he not faced
25. George that all his friends had come to help him move.
- A. asked
 - B. told
 - C. said
26. "It's high time looking for a job."
- A. he started
 - B. he starts
 - C. for him to start
27. "Give Tina my new phone number in case she to call me."
- A. needs
 - B. must need
 - C. will need
28. There were problems in the beginning, but everything turned out fine in the end.
- A. such many
 - B. a little more
 - C. a few
29. " a messy room you have! It needs tidying!"
- A. So
 - B. What
 - C. How
30. Due to bad weather, the school principal the excursion to the park.
- A. cut down
 - B. got along
 - C. called off

For questions **31-40**, choose the best answer (**A, B or C**) to fill in the gaps.

Mark your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.

Being a Fashion Model

A lot of young people dream of becoming fashion models. There are certainly positive sides to modelling. Fashion models are (31) the opportunity to acquire a variety of skills. At (32), they learn about the right way to stand, sit or walk; they also improve their communication skills, which can help (33) maintain strong working relationships and (34) self-confidence. In addition, professional models need to be physically (35), so it is necessary that they maintain a healthy body, an important skill that can help them advance in their career. Exposure is (36) important benefit of modelling. It goes without saying that the more popular fashion models become, the (37) money they can earn. However, behind the glamour lie a lot of difficulties. Their hard work does not guarantee them a stable income. The money they earn often (38) on the type of contract they get. (39) of the intense competition they face from other models, it might be difficult for them to get a good contract. Finally, many models are under great pressure to stay thin; that's why (40) go on strict diets, which can be very harmful.

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| 31. A. given | B. giving | C. to give |
| 32. A. firstly | B. first | C. the first |
| 33. A. in | B. but | C. them |
| 34. A. gain | B. gained | C. have gained |
| 35. A. fitted | B. fitness | C. fit |
| 36. A. that | B. another | C. most |
| 37. A. more | B. most | C. much |
| 38. A. depends | B. depend | C. are depending |
| 39. A. Despite | B. Because | C. Apart |
| 40. A. must | B. to | C. they |



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LEVEL B2

SPEAKING

Duration: 14 to 16 minutes

EXAMINER'S INSTRUCTIONS
Speaking Exam Paper A June 2022

Warm up Stage

Duration: 3 minutes

Examiner: Good morning / Good afternoon. My name is

To Candidate A: What's your name?

Where are you from?

To Candidate B: What's your name?

Where are you from?

Examiner: In this part of the Test, I would like to ask you some questions about yourselves.

The Examiner asks each Candidate one or more questions about the following topics.

- hobbies
- free time activities
- school
- hometown or neighbourhood
- future plans

- No questions about their families are allowed.

Prepared Topics – Individual Talks and Interaction

Duration: 6 to 7 minutes

Examiner: In this part of the Test, each of you is going to talk for **1 minute** about the topic you have already prepared for. After you have finished your talk, I will ask you a question on what you have presented and then your partner can express his/her point of view on the same topic. Following that, I will ask you to talk together about another question related to the topic.

- ***The Examiner shows each Candidate the list of topics and asks them which one they have prepared to talk about.***

List of prepared topics:

1. What is more important to you, fashion or comfort?
2. Which historical monument is the most visited tourist attraction in your country?
3. Do you like spending money? Why? Why not?
4. Which famous person would you like to meet in person? Why?
5. What are the advantages of eating out at a restaurant?

Examiner to Candidate A: Which topic are you going to talk about?

Candidate A can speak for **1 minute**

The Examiner asks Candidate A a question on what he/she has said.

Examiner to Candidate B: What do you think of this? or Do you agree or disagree with your partner?

The Examiner asks both Candidates a question and prompts them to engage in a conversation.

Interaction: **2-2.5 minutes**

Examiner to Candidate B: Which topic are you going to talk about?

Candidate B can speak for **1 minute**

The Examiner asks Candidate B a question on what he/she has said.

Examiner to Candidate A: What do you think of this? or Do you agree or disagree with your partner?

The Examiner asks both Candidates a question and prompts them to engage in a conversation.

Interaction: **2-2.5 minutes**

Respond to a Question and Interaction

Duration: 5 to 6 minutes

Examiner: In this part of the Test, I will ask each of you to respond to a question. You may use the ideas given below the question and/or use your own ideas to answer the question. Your partner will be asked to comment on what you have said and express his/her point of view as well.

- *The Examiner must choose a question related to what each Candidate talked about in Section 2 of the Test.*
- *The Examiner tells each Candidate to look at the chosen question and the points below it. When the Candidate has finished talking about the question, the Examiner asks the other Candidate to comment and express his/her point of view.*

1. Fashion is more important to some of us than comfort.

- feel better about ourselves
- increase self-confidence
- attract more attention

2. It is important to protect our historical monuments.

- tell us about our history
- teach respect for our past
- attract tourists

3. Saving money is important.

- deal with an emergency more easily
- feel financially secure about the future
- enjoy life better

4. Ordinary people want to read about the lives of famous people.

- consider them important
- learn from them
- find it entertaining

5. There are advantages to hosting a dinner party at home.

- make your guests feel comfortable
- offer homemade food
- have more fun

Examiner: Thank you. This is the end of the Test.