

Skills Test Unit 1 Test A

Name: _____

Everyday English

1 Complete the sentences with the words below.

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- 1 _____ down, please.
- 2 _____ your books at page 13.
- 3 Sorry, I _____ understand.
- 4 Can you say that _____, please?
- 5 _____ do you say that in English?

Mark __/ 5

Listening

2 🎧 Listen to the speakers talking about school. Circle the subjects they talk about.

history PE RE geography ICT DT

3 🎧 Listen again. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 Ben's teacher is called Mr Williams. ____
- 2 Ben goes to Europe every summer with his grandparents. ____
- 3 Lucy plays football on Tuesday and Saturday. ____
- 4 Lucy doesn't like her teacher. ____
- 5 On Sunday, Lucy goes swimming with her brother. ____
- 6 ICT is Harry's favourite subject. ____
- 7 Mrs Wilson's lessons are difficult. ____
- 8 Harry isn't very good at computer programming. ____

Mark __/ 10

Reading

Teenagers today

Today's teenagers live a very different life from their parents. What's different about their lives? Everything! They have different hobbies, wear different clothes, and even eat different food.

Anna Fisher is a secondary school student. She lives in a small town near Dresden in Germany. Her typical day starts at 6 a.m. She gets up and gets dressed. She goes to the park across the road, where she runs for thirty minutes. Then she goes home, eats a large healthy breakfast of cereal, eggs, fruit juice and tea, and has a shower. At 7.15 a.m. she goes to school by bus. It takes about twenty minutes and she uses this time to revise for her lessons. She goes to a special arts school because she wants to be an actress or a singer. She has all the subjects that other teenagers have at school, such as science, and PE, but she has extra lessons in art, music and drama in the afternoon. She finishes school at 5 p.m. In the evening, she does her homework and then she practises singing and memorizes the lines for her drama classes. She is a happy teenager because she does things she really enjoys.

'Many teenagers use too much technology – they use computers, mobile phones and tablet computers when they get home from school,' Anna says. 'Lots of my friends spend their afternoons on the computer. They play computer games or use the internet. They don't see their friends very often because they chat to them on the phone or on the internet. Of course computers are useful, but some young people spend a lot of time on them. Computer games are fun for a short time but some people play for hours every day. I don't want to live my life like that,' says Anna.

It's true that many teenagers today don't have a healthy lifestyle. They eat a lot of fast food, and don't do any exercise. It's good for young people to play sport. It's also good to walk to school, not take a bus or go by car. And for those who don't like sport, there are lots of other interesting activities, such as drama, singing or art!

4 Read the text. Circle the correct answers (a–c).

- 1 Anna gets up at
 - a 5 a.m.
 - b 6 a.m.
 - c 7.15 a.m.
- 2 Anna has breakfast after she
 - a runs in the park.
 - b does her homework.
 - c gets to school.
- 3 Anna goes to
 - a a science school.
 - b an arts school.
 - c a sports school.
- 4 After school, Anna
 - a uses her computer.
 - b has extra dance and music classes.
 - c chats to her friends.
- 5 The author of the article says that young people
 - a play too much sport.
 - b spend too much time at school.
 - c don't do much exercise.

Mark __/ 10

Writing

5 Read the questionnaire. Write answers to the questions.

School Questionnaire

1. What's your favourite subject?
2. Who's your best friend at school?
3. What do you use computers for at school?
4. What do you do after school?

Follow the plan:

Paragraph 1: What's your favourite subject? Why do you like it? What do you learn?

Paragraph 2: Who's your best friend at school? Why do you like him / her? What do you do together?

Paragraph 3: What do you use computers for at school? How do you use technology? What do you use the internet for? Do you enjoy it?

Paragraph 4: What do you do after school? Which activities do you enjoy? Which activities do you not enjoy?

Mark: ____ / 15

TOTAL MARKS: ____ / 40

Challenge!

6 Complete the text with the correct words (a–c).

The British school system

There are two types of schools in Britain: state schools and public schools, also called private schools. About 90% of British students ¹_____ to state schools. The main subjects are English, maths and science. Most schools teach geography, history and physical education (PE), where students ²_____ exercise. Some schools also have religious ³_____.

Students who go to a state school ⁴_____ for their education, but the families of students who ⁵_____ to public schools pay money for their child's education. Many people think that public schools are expensive and that they make students study very hard. Some public schools are boarding schools, which means that some or all of the students ⁶_____ and live there. They only ⁷_____ for the school holidays. Some of the students see their families ⁸_____ the weekend. A boarding school student doesn't have much free time, because they all ⁹_____ sport, play games or read books after school. There is one good thing about living in your school. You ¹⁰_____ walk far to get to your classroom!

- 1 a does go b goes c go
- 2 a make b do c play
- 3 a education b study c subject
- 4 a don't pay b not pays c doesn't pay
- 5 a goes b go c gone
- 6 a are study b to study c study
- 7 a go home b gone home c goes home
- 8 a in b at c of
- 9 a had b do c make
- 10 a doesn't b not c don't