



## LRN LEVEL 1 CERTIFICATE IN ESOL INTERNATIONAL (CEF B2)

### LEVEL B2

LISTENING  
WRITING – READING  
AND USE

SAMPLE PAPER SET 1

Duration

Listening: 30 minutes

Writing - Reading and Use: 2 hours

### CANDIDATE'S INFORMATION

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### INSTRUCTIONS:

- Do not open this paper until you are told to do so.
- Read the instructions before answering the questions.
- You will hear Part 1 and Part 2 of the Listening TWICE.
- You will hear Part 3 of the Listening 3 TIMES.
- Mark your answers on the separate Answer Sheet in pencil.
- Answer all the questions.
- Do TWO Tasks in the Writing.
- Use a pencil HB.
- 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.

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#### Health problem

1. Jane is not at work because
- A. it's 3 o'clock.
  - B. her boss is ill.
  - C. she isn't feeling well.

#### Living healthily

2. Louise and Kate are talking about
- A. how to lose weight and keep fit.
  - B. starting tennis lessons together.
  - C. what they are going to do on holiday.

#### A gift for her son

3. The woman decides to buy her son
- A. a computer game.
  - B. a history book.
  - C. a book about computers.

#### School trips

4. Mary isn't going on the school trip because
- A. she doesn't want to miss any lessons.
  - B. she wants to stay at home with her brother.
  - C. she finds school trips uninteresting.

#### A fast food speciality

5. They decided to stay at the restaurant because
- A. Peter was really hungry.
  - B. Jane found something healthy to eat.
  - C. Jane only likes fast food.

#### Missing the party

6. Betty didn't go to the party last night because she was
- A. at work.
  - B. tired.
  - C. in the countryside.

#### Comedy or adventure film

7. Which of the following statements is FALSE?
- A. Nick is fond of comedies.
  - B. Sally went to the cinema with Nick.
  - C. Nick and his brother will see an adventure film tonight.

#### Weather disappointment

8. John is disappointed because tomorrow they
- A. will not be able to go to the countryside.
  - B. are going to visit Tracy's sister.
  - C. are having lunch at home.

#### A new laptop

9. Which of the following statements is TRUE?
- A. Tom is going to buy a new laptop.
  - B. Christine's new laptop is expensive.
  - C. Christine doesn't want to give her old laptop to Tom.

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.

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#### A trip to Australia

10. Maggie has got relatives in
- A. Europe.
  - B. Sidney.
  - C. America.
11. What Maggie said about Australia was that she
- A. didn't travel to many places.
  - B. liked her visit to the National Park most of all.
  - C. enjoyed taking photographs.

#### Get some help for homework

12. What is TRUE about Alex?
- A. He has got three exams next week.
  - B. He'll visit his grandmother on Saturday.
  - C. He is good at Physics.
13. Susan can't help Alex on Saturday because she
- A. has got a lot of homework.
  - B. has made other arrangements.
  - C. isn't very good at Physics.

#### Shopping in town

14. Kate went into town because she wanted to buy
- A. a new mobile phone.
  - B. a CD for Anna.
  - C. some items for school.
15. What is NOT mentioned in the conversation?
- A. Kate and Anna went to a shop in town.
  - B. Simon will go to the shop by bus.
  - C. The new shop sells CDs.

Listen to Peter's message to his friend Jim.

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.

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16. Jim is moving to Peter's town
- A. early in September.
  - B. on August 30.
  - C. on August 13.
17. Peter informs Jim that
- A. both sports centres in his town are expensive.
  - B. neither of the sports centres has a lot of facilities.
  - C. the sports centre he goes to costs 25 pounds a month.
18. The sports centre Peter goes to is
- A. open 24 hours a day.
  - B. closed during the holidays.
  - C. open every day from 9 am till 10 pm.
19. Which of the following statements is TRUE?
- A. Peter joined the swimming team last year.
  - B. Jim is interested in joining a swimming team.
  - C. Peter plays water-polo.
20. Peter will organise a party for Jim
- A. at Jim's new house.
  - B. just before school starts.
  - C. on the first day of school.

Now turn to Writing, Section 1, Task 1 and listen to the instructions.

## Task 1

## Listening and Writing

Listen to Peter's message to his friend Jim again. USE the space provided below to take notes. You can USE the information from the recording and the notes you have taken to write an email to a friend of yours, who is moving to your town and wants information about what kind of sports facilities your town offers. Write your email in the Writing Booklet Task 1.

Your notes will not be marked.

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

- When your friend is moving
- What sports facilities there are
- What they offer
- When they are open
- The cost
- Which sports you do
- Ideas for your friend to meet people



## Task 1

You must do Task 1.

Write your email in the space provided in the Writing Booklet. You can use the notes you have taken from the message. You may add any relevant information you wish. Write your email in 100-120 words.

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*“Write an email to a friend of yours who is moving to your town and give him/her some information about what kind of sports facilities your town offers”.*

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.

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### Task 2

Write a letter to a friend of yours inviting him/her to a party.

In your letter, you must mention

- the reason you are having the party for
- when and where the party will take place
- the activities you are planning for the party
- what help you would like to have from your family or friends
- what to wear
- what to bring

OR

### Task 3

Write a story that begins "I was studying in my room when I heard a strange sound coming from the garden...."

Continue the story.

OR

### Task 4

Write an essay about the advantages and disadvantages of mobile phones.

In your essay, you should talk about

The advantages of mobile phones

- easy communication
- always connected to the internet
- useful in emergency situations
- many useful applications

The disadvantages of mobile phones

- constant use/addiction
- dangerous while driving
- reduce personal contact
- spend hours playing games

Read the text below about *Coffee* 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.

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### *The Tradition of Coffee Drinking*

Coffee drinking is an important part of daily life in many countries of the world. People rely on a cup of this delicious liquid to wake them up in the morning, and coffee shops provide important social centres in both cities and rural villages. Made from the bean of the coffee plant, coffee is a true gift of nature and its popularity has led to the growth of a global industry.

The coffee plant itself dates back millions of years, but the tradition of using the beans to make an aromatic drink is only about 1000 years old. It is not known when man first realised that coffee's caffeine content gave you energy, making it ideal to drink early in the morning or when tired. However, it is certain that the first attempts to make coffee were somewhat different to those used today. Originally, green coffee beans were boiled and the liquid was consumed. The Arabs, however, roasted the coffee beans, a method which is still used today.

Coffee was introduced to Europe by Ottoman invaders who were defeated during an attack on Vienna and left boxes of coffee behind. The first European coffee houses, therefore, began in Austria and became meeting places for the educated members of society, who exchanged views on politics and world events over cups of freshly brewed coffee. The trend spread across continental Europe and cakes and pastries were also served with coffee for free, a custom which modern coffee shops have continued.

Nowadays, most coffee is grown in the tropical zones of Asia, Africa and South America, forming the base of the economy of these poorer parts of the world. 'Fairtrade' organisations have helped to ensure that coffee growers are no longer exploited by large multinational corporations, and are paid a fair price for their produce.

There are many ways of drinking coffee, for example, the small cups of sweet Arabic or Greek coffee, drunk in local coffee houses, French-style filter coffee and of course, the Italian espresso. Espresso is one of the most popular choices of coffee today due to its rich flavour, and it is used as a base for cappuccino with the addition of hot milk or cream. Coffee shops can now be found all over Europe offering an exciting range of coffee drinks to suit all tastes, and a relaxing place to meet friends and family and catch up on news and gossip.



1. What does the word *delicious* in the first paragraph mean?
  - A. energetic
  - B. healthy
  - C. tasty
2. Coffee has been known as a drink for
  - A. millions of years.
  - B. more than 1000 years.
  - C. around 1000 years.
3. Originally, coffee
  - A. beans were roasted.
  - B. was not prepared in the same way as today.
  - C. was discovered by the Europeans.
4. According to the text, the first European coffee houses were
  - A. used to discuss local and world news.
  - B. popular with all kinds of people.
  - C. found in every big city in Europe.
5. What does the word *who* in the third paragraph refer to?
  - A. the Ottoman invaders
  - B. the educated members of society
  - C. all the people of Austria
6. According to the text, which of the following statements is TRUE?
  - A. Modern coffee shops may serve cakes and pastries with coffee.
  - B. Serving cakes and pastries with coffee is a modern custom.
  - C. Coffee served with cakes and pastries costs more.
7. The people who grow coffee
  - A. make a lot of money.
  - B. are protected by "Fairtrade" organisations.
  - C. live in rich countries.
8. According to the text, which of the following statements is FALSE?
  - A. Coffee shops in Europe offer a variety of coffee drinks.
  - B. Espresso is the only popular choice of coffee in Europe.
  - C. Cappuccino can be drunk with hot milk or cream.

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

Mark your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.

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## *Tough Love*

### *Tough Love Parenting*

What is the best way to raise children? Recently, there has been a return to a traditional approach: tough love. Tough love means raising your children with rules and when necessary, punishment. The theory behind tough love is that children need their parents to be firm, and most importantly, to teach them the difference between right and wrong.

Does it really work? Statistics seem to say that it does. According to one report, children who are raised with tough love often do better at school and have a better job when they grow up. What's really interesting is that tough love also seems to produce children that are warmer and more sympathetic.

What do children raised with tough love say about it? Generally, they say that they did not like it when they were kids, since they saw all their friends having more fun than them. But as they grew older, they realised that ultimately, it was for their own good.

9. The word that best describes tough in the first paragraph is
  - A. new.
  - B. unpopular.
  - C. strict.
10. What do tough love parents care most about?
  - A. making their children warm and kind
  - B. helping their children understand what is good and what is bad.
  - C. punishing their children often
11. Children raised with tough love
  - A. are usually more successful at school and work.
  - B. have an enjoyable childhood.
  - C. often fight with other kids.
12. Tough love is
  - A. a theory on how to raise children.
  - B. a lesson that kids learn at school.
  - C. enjoyable for children.

*Tough Love Makes Bad Kids*

Tough love has no place in modern society. At least that's what many child psychologists are arguing. There are several reasons why they believe this.

First of all, the world is becoming a scary place, and home should be a place of refuge and safety. Parents who are too strict with their children make them feel fear instead of security. As a result, they may start to see them as the enemy, and will start to hide things from them. This means they may not learn the difference between right and wrong, one of life's most important lessons. Also, children who are afraid of their parents may depend more on their friends and often, friends are the ones who pressure them to smoke, drink and do other harmful activities.

More importantly, parents must try to teach children to trust and respect them. And as we all know, these feelings must be earned. You cannot force anyone, including your own children, to respect or trust you and without these elements, you cannot have the relationship that is necessary to raise them properly.

13. Many psychologists believe that
  - A. the world is safer now.
  - B. we need more tough love.
  - C. parents shouldn't be too strict.
14. When parents are very strict,
  - A. their children may feel afraid.
  - B. their children may feel safe.
  - C. their children will respect them.
15. The word *them* in the second paragraph refers to
  - A. parents.
  - B. friends.
  - C. children.

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

Mark your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.

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16. All the tourists are looking forward ..... the sights.

- A. to visit
- B. to visiting
- C. visiting

17. When you leave the house, don't forget ..... the door.

- A. locking
- B. to lock
- C. the locking

18. The Acropolis, ..... is in Athens, is the most popular touristic attraction.

- A. which
- B. where
- C. that

19. The flat was ..... for such a big family to live in.

- A. enough big
- B. too small
- C. so small one

20. While she ..... the housework, she heard a strange sound.

- A. did
- B. had done
- C. was doing

21. It has been ten years since they ..... abroad.

- A. have travelled
- B. had travelled
- C. travelled

22. I will prepare more food in case more people .....

- A. come
- B. are coming
- C. will come

23. If you want to attend this course, you ..... fill out this form.
- A. had to
  - B. should
  - C. would prefer
24. She hasn't made any plans for the weekend, .....?
- A. has she
  - B. didn't she
  - C. hasn't she
25. Schools should provide art lessons so that children can be .....
- A. creative
  - B. creativity
  - C. creations
26. He ..... by the time I got to the office.
- A. is leaving
  - B. had left
  - C. left
27. Although ....., they decided to go for a walk in the park.
- A. it was cold
  - B. the cold weather
  - C. the cold
28. If you were stopped by the police, what .....?
- A. would you do
  - B. you could do
  - C. were you doing
29. He would have done better on the test if he ..... more.
- A. would have studied
  - B. had studied
  - C. was studying
30. He waited at the reception ..... they found him a bigger room.
- A. until
  - B. during
  - C. but

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.

### *Educational Programmes For Adults*

A lot of institutions are (31) ..... adult educational programmes nowadays. Most of the adult educational programmes are part-time, evening or summer courses and (32)..... designed to satisfy the needs and (33) ..... of the students. The reasons why an adult may participate (34)..... such programmes vary. (35)..... example, some adults may attend a programme because they want to get a better position in their job. Some (36)..... may do it to get another degree in a different field. There are, of course, those who have (37)..... had any formal education and want to pursue a career. Since the 1990s, the number of participants in adult educational programmes (38)..... rapidly because the job market has become (39)..... competitive. Also, as technology is constantly changing, it is necessary for all kinds of workers to (40)..... the information and the skills required.

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| 31. A. offering      | B. provided      | C. given         |
| 32. A. has           | B. can           | C. are           |
| 33. A. dislikes      | B. interests     | C. tools         |
| 34. A. on            | B. in            | C. at            |
| 35. A. Such an       | B. As an         | C. For           |
| 36. A. another       | B. the others    | C. others        |
| 37. A. always        | B. never         | C. just          |
| 38. A. is increasing | B. will increase | C. has increased |
| 39. A. more          | B. much          | C. a lot of      |
| 40. A. respond       | B. ask           | C. have          |

## ANSWER KEY

### LEVEL B2

Listening		
Part 1	Part 2	Part 3
1. C	10. B	16. B
2. A	11. B	17. C
3. B	12. A	18. C
4. C	13. B	19. A
5. B	14. C	20. B
6. B	15. B	
7. B		
8. A		
9. B		

Reading and Use				
Part 1	Part 2	Part 3		Part 4
1. C	9. C	16. B	26. B	31. A
2. C	10. B	17. B	27. A	32. C
3. B	11. A	18. A	28. A	33. B
4. A	12. A	19. B	29. B	34. B
5. B	13. C	20. C	30. A	35. C
6. A	14. A	21. C		36. C
7. B	15. C	22. A		37. B
8. B		23. B		38. C
		24. A		39. A
		25. A		40. C