

**Question Paper**

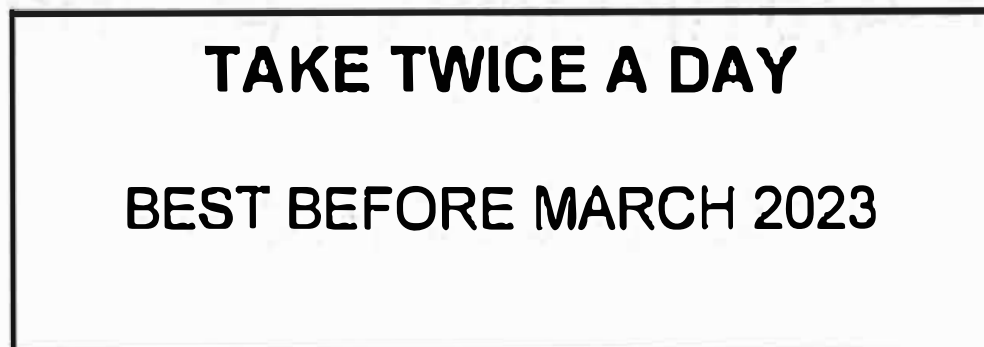
**English Test A\_a**

**Reading**

**2022**

For these questions, choose the correct answer A, B or C.

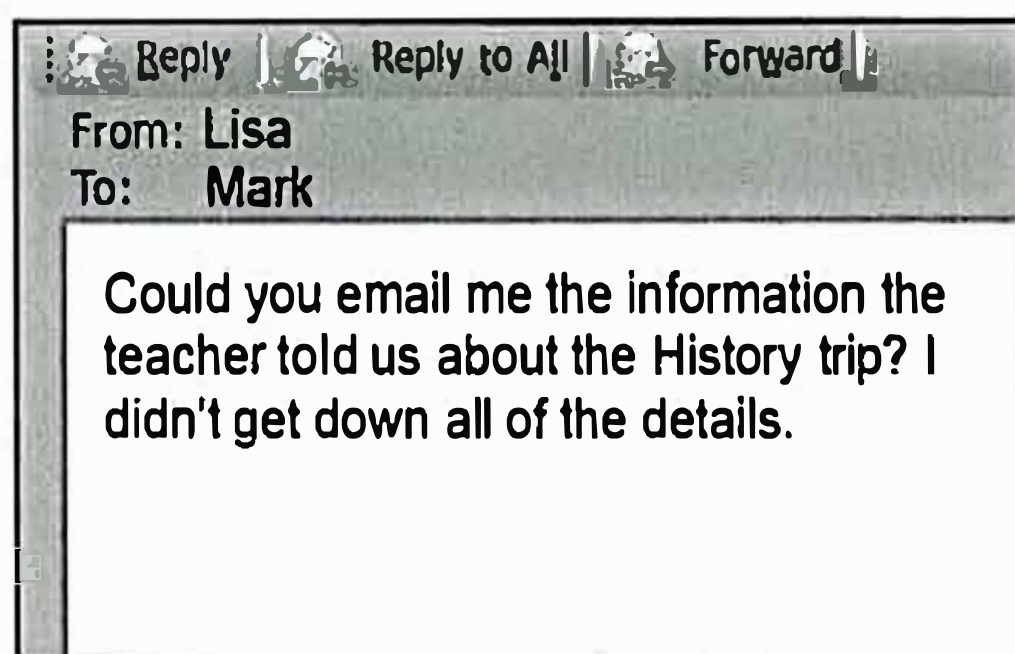
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Where can you see this?

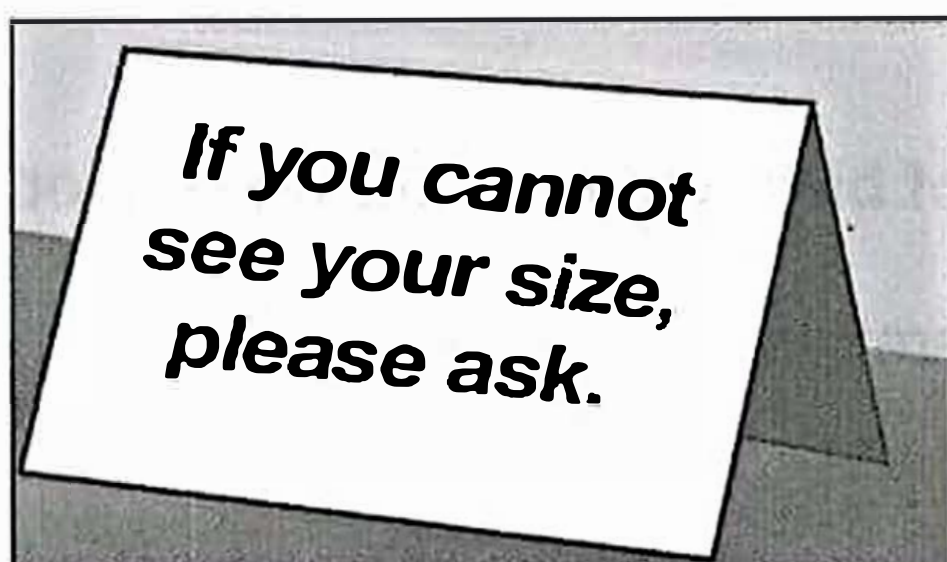
- A on soap
- B on food
- C on medicine

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- A Lisa didn't make complete notes about the trip.
- B Mark didn't attend the meeting about the trip.
- C Lisa can't go on the trip and needs to contact the teacher.

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You see this notice

- A in a clothes shop.
- B in a café.
- C in a bank.

For these questions, choose the correct answer **A**, **B** or **C**.

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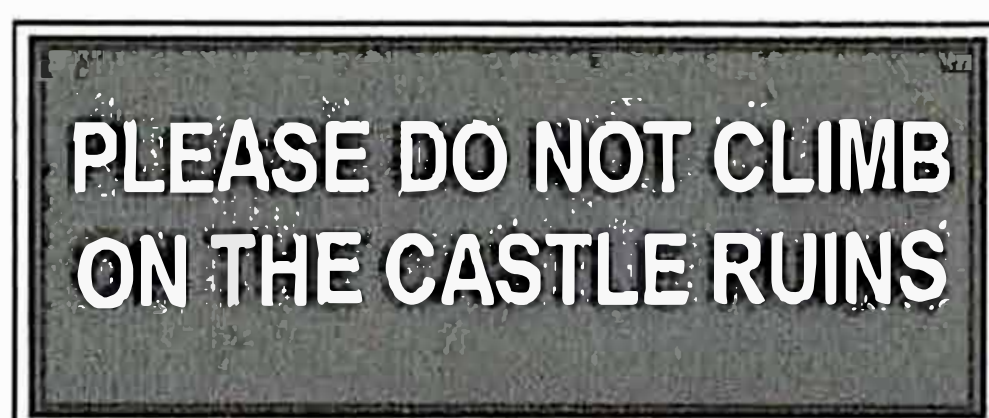


**A** Jo and Mary will eat together late this evening.

**B** Jo must eat alone this evening.

**C** Jo should prepare dinner for Mary this evening.

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Who is this notice for?

**A** policemen

**B** passengers

**C** tourists

For these questions, choose the correct answer **A**, **B** or **C**.

**6** This is a kind of food. It's made from milk and it's yellow, and some people put it on bread.

- A** oil
- B** meat
- C** butter

**7** This is like a cupboard, but it's very cold inside.

- A** a fridge
- B** a shower
- C** a bookcase

**8** If you want to cross a river, you often have to go over one of these.

- A** a bridge
- B** a corner
- C** a bank

**9** You can see through this so we use it to make windows. Many bottles are also made of this.

- A** glass
- B** wood
- C** silver

**10** People usually wear these in hot weather or when they play games like football or basketball.

- A** tights
- B** gloves
- C** shorts

For these questions, choose the correct answer A, B or C.

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I like that picture  
very much.



A

Fine, thanks.

B

No, it's quite  
cheap.

C

Me, too.

12



When is your  
mother's birthday?



A

She's thirty-nine.

B

It was last week.

C

It's a long time.



For these questions, choose the correct answer **A**, **B** or **C**.

13



John's broken  
this plate.



**A**

It doesn't matter.

**B**

Here you are.

**C**

That's very good.

14



Have you seen  
my glasses  
anywhere?



**A**

I'd love them,  
thanks.

**B**

They're over there.

**C**

Try them on.

For this question, choose the correct answer A, B or C.

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A

This afternoon.

B

By car.

C

To the cinema.

Read the sentences about a boy called James and his visit to a restaurant.

For each space, choose the correct answer **A**, **B** or **C**.



- 16** There was only one ..... table in the restaurant.  
**A** empty                      **B** right                      **C** well
- 17** A lot of people in the restaurant were talking .....  
**A** greatly                      **B** noisily                      **C** largely
- 18** James sat down and ..... at the menu.  
**A** saw                      **B** read                      **C** looked
- 19** He chose his ..... pizza and some salad.  
**A** favourite                      **B** best                      **C** excellent
- 20** The waitress ..... him a cake when he finished his pizza.  
**A** added                      **B** brought                      **C** arrived



Read the text about computers.

For each space, choose the correct answer **A**, **B** or **C**.

### Computers



Today computers help people write letters, buy tickets, fly planes and take their money from the bank. It's difficult to think of a time **(21)** ..... them.

The first person to try to make a mathematical computer **(22)** ..... Charles Babbage in 1833, but he never finished working on it. In the early 20th century, the first computers were very **(23)** ....., and many people **(24)** ..... to work with each one. Now computers are so small that we can carry them in **(25)** ..... hands to school and work.

**21**    **A**    behind

**B**    without

**C**    outside

**22**    **A**    was

**B**    is

**C**    were

**23**    **A**    biggest

**B**    bigger

**C**    big

**24**    **A**    have

**B**    had

**C**    has

**25**    **A**    the

**B**    this

**C**    our

Read the text about an English artist.

For each question, choose the correct answer **A**, **B** or **C**.

### **L S Lowry – an English artist**

Laurence Stephen Lowry was born in Manchester, a city in the north of England, in 1887. He hated school and was happy when he left to work in an office. His colleagues there were friendly and often asked him to go to the cinema or the theatre in the evenings but he did not go; he preferred to go to art school.

Lowry loved walking through the city streets, looking at people doing everyday things. He painted these things in his pictures. His parents thought his paintings were very good but nobody ever bought one.

Then one day, a man who knew a lot about art bought one and showed it to some people in the art business. Suddenly, many people knew Lowry's paintings.

Lowry could only paint in the evenings, until he stopped working at the office when he was 65. Then he painted and sold many pictures and earned a lot of money, which he used to help young artists.

Now, more than 60 years later, he's one of Britain's favourite artists, but not many people in other countries know Lowry's work.

- 26 What did Lowry do after work?
- A He went to the cinema.
  - B He studied art.
  - C He stayed at home.
- 27 Lowry's family
- A liked his paintings.
  - B didn't understand his paintings.
  - C sold his paintings.
- 28 Lowry became famous because
- A he was a good businessman.
  - B he knew a lot about art.
  - C an art expert liked his paintings.
- 29 When Lowry stopped working in the office, he
- A became rich.
  - B taught art.
  - C started an art business.
- 30 Today, Lowry's work is
- A famous all over the world.
  - B loved in his own country.
  - C not known in Britain.



Read the texts below and the questions on the next page.

For each question, choose the correct answer **A**, **B** or **C**.

### **A book I like**

#### **Jake**



I've just read *Nina's School* by James Armitage, who's a writer I didn't know. He's written another book about Nina and because she has such an exciting life, I've decided to read that next. There are long words in the book, but I knew most of them – and I got to the end in just two days! I think young people and adults will read the book because of the cool picture on the front.

#### **Sally**



I read *Dark* by Karen Gates, my favourite writer. It's quite a sad story, but I thought it was even better than her last one. The picture on the front tells you the story is about horses, but it's not just about that – it's about people too! There are some hard words in it so I had to use a dictionary – but I've read the story twice now!

#### **Andy**



I'm reading *Goodbye* by Philip Tate, which has a great picture on the front. It's a strange story so I wanted to see what happened, but because it's quite long, I haven't finished it yet. I think it's a book for children so I couldn't believe my parents liked it too. My friend thinks the first book by Philip Tate is better. I might read that next but I'm not sure.



- 31** Who was surprised to find that adults enjoyed the book too?
- A** Jake  
**B** Sally  
**C** Andy
- 32** Who read the same book more than once?
- A** Jake  
**B** Sally  
**C** Andy
- 33** Who has already chosen a book to read next?
- A** Jake  
**B** Sally  
**C** Andy
- 34** Who believes that the front of the book will make teenagers interested in the story?
- A** Jake  
**B** Sally  
**C** Andy
- 35** Who has read other books by the same writer?
- A** Jake  
**B** Sally  
**C** Andy

Read the text about a football fan.

For each question, choose the correct answer **A**, **B**, or **C**.

### Football fan

Pawel Cichowski loves football and his team is 'Hibs' from Edinburgh, Scotland. But Pawel lives in Kraków about 300km south of Warsaw in Poland. To watch them, Pawel travels by train to Warsaw, flies to London and then gets a bus to Edinburgh. Pawel doesn't enjoy flying, but the bus is very comfortable.

Pawel's father wanted him to follow a Polish team. But Pawel's cousin, who was in Scotland on business, sent him some information about Hibs. So, at the age of 10, Pawel decided to follow Hibs. His friends were surprised. Pawel says, 'I get the match scores from the internet. But as a child I had to use the Polish newspapers; it was too expensive to phone anyone in Scotland.'

Pawel usually goes to Edinburgh once a year. Last year was his 30th birthday, so he went twice – and also saw Hibs play in Italy. On his last visit to Edinburgh he bought a Hibs cup and a towel from the club shop. On his next visit he would like to get a clock.



- 36** Which part of his journey to Edinburgh does Pawel dislike?
- A** the train journey to Warsaw
  - B** the flight to London
  - C** the bus to Edinburgh
- 37** Who first told Pawel about the Hibs football team?
- A** his friend
  - B** his father
  - C** his cousin
- 38** When Pawel was young, he got information about Hibs' matches
- A** on the internet.
  - B** from the newspaper.
  - C** by phone.
- 39** How many times did Pawel go to Edinburgh last year?
- A** once
  - B** two times
  - C** three times
- 40** What does Pawel want to buy from the Hibs club shop?
- A** a clock
  - B** a cup
  - C** a towel