

English Placement Test

Instructions

Please ensure that you do not receive any help to with this test. We need to know your correct level in order to put you in a suitable class.

Cover page and answer sheet

Please complete all information

Placement test

Please allow 35 minutes to complete the test

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answer sheet ~ Thank you.**

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Address in UK:					
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Date of Arrival in UK	Day:		Month:		Year:
Are you employed? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, what is your job?					
Highest Qualification obtained:					
How long did you study English in your country?					
What English Language exams have you taken?					
Why do you want to continue your English studies?					
How long do you plan to study?					
Would you like to take an exam? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>					
Will you be able to attend all your classes and complete all your homework? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>					

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English Language Placement Test Answer Sheet

(Double click on the box you wish to choose and click CHECKED to fill it)

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Level One

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Test Score: ___ / 50 Writing Score / Grade: ___ / ___ Speaking Score: ___ / 10

Instructions

This test consists of 3 levels and a pronunciation section after Level 2. The questions will become more difficult as you progress.

- Write your answers on the answer sheet
- You may not use a dictionary or ask anybody to help you with this test
- You have 35 minutes
- Answer as many questions as you can
- Do not worry if you do not finish the test

LEVEL ONE

Section One - choose the best answer

- | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| 1) 'Hello! My | (a) name
(b) named
(c) name's
(d) names is | Trude Hartmann |
| 2) I | (a) was born in
(b) am born
(c) borned
(d) be born | Zurich in Switzerland, |
| 3) but now, I | (a) living
(b) live
(c) 'm live
(d) lives | in Geneva. |
| 4) I'm married, I've got a son. I | (a) not have any pets.
(b) haven't got
(c) have not
(d) don't not have | |
| 5) My son's name's Paul. He | (a) likes football very much.
(b) like football very much.
(c) likes very well football.
(d) very well likes football. | |
| 6) Which sports | (a) do you doing?
(b) do you do?
(c) are you doing?
(d) practice you? | |

Section Two - find the error in each sentence (a.b.c or d)

(7) Every morning, I wake up at (a) seven o'clock. I have breakfast at (b) seven and a quarter, then I listen to the news at (c) half past seven. Paul gets up at (d) twenty five to eight.

(8) My husband goes to work (a) by train. Paul goes to school (b) by bike, or (c) by bus. (d) I normally go in the office on my car.

(9) (a) My boss's name's Juan. (b) He's Spanish. (c) My assistants are from Switzerland and China. (d) His names are Michel and Deng.

(10) At the moment, (a) we are working (b) on a project very interesting (c) to sponsor sports competitions (d) in Geneva and Lausanne.

(11) (a) Lausanne is smallest than Geneva. (b) Geneva has better theatres and museums, but (c) Lausanne has more parks. (d) In my opinion, Lausanne is a more interesting tourist destination.

Section Three - everyday expressions – choose the best phrase or response

(12) 'Nice to meet you, Deng'.

- (a) 'Yes, it is nice'.
- (b) 'Thank you'.
- (c) 'And you'.
- (d) 'How are you?'

(13) (*At dinner*)

- (a) 'May I have some more bread please?'
- (b) 'Let me have some more bread'.
- (c) 'I want some more bread'.
- (d) 'Give us some more bread!'

(14) (*Telephoning*) 'Could I speak to Deng, please?'

- (a) 'Yes, it's me!'
- (b) 'Yes I am'.
- (c) 'Yes, speaking'.
- (d) 'Yes, Deng is here'.

(15) (*Telephoning*) 'This is Boris Zmbrenisoski'

- (a) 'What?'
- (b) 'Repeat your name!'
- (c) 'Sorry, I didn't catch your name'.
- (d) 'I don't know who you are'.

LEVEL TWO

Section One - choose the best answer

- (16) Great Britain (a) is experiencing enormous changes since 1950.
(b) experiences
(c) has experienced
(d) experienced
- (17) The Second World War (a) ended in 1945.
(b) has ended
(c) was ending
(d) has been end
- (18) but even in the 1960's, the economy (a) already hadn't recovered.
(b) yet
(c) always
(d) still
- (19) By the 1970's, conditions were (a) worst than in much of Europe.
(b) badder
(c) more bad
(d) worse
- (20) In 1979, Mrs Thatcher (a) elected after a winter of strikes.
(b) was elect
(c) was elected
(d) has been electing
- (21) The government privatised industry, and reduced taxation, but many people felt that it (a) have to have tried to solve the country's problems differently.
(b) must
(c) can
(d) should

Section Two- find the error in each sentence (a.b.c or d)

- (22) (a) In 2010, when (b) the David Cameron's government (c) was elected, (d) Britain had changed considerably.
- (23) Many journalists (a) said us (b) that the reaction to (c) the London Olympics in 2012 (d) showed a new, emotional side of the British character.
- (24) (a) The public (b) was (c) very amazing (d) at how many gold medals were won.
- (25) (a) Certainly, unemployment in Britain (b) is use to be higher than today, and (c) the country's economic performance (d) is encouraging.
- (26) (a) In fact, many people (b) are agree that London is now (c) one of the most dynamic cities (d) anywhere in Europe.

Section Three - everyday expressions – choose the **best** phrase or response

(27) (Host family father:) 'Please don't smoke in your bedroom, Deng!'

- (a) 'Yes'.
- (b) 'No'.
- (c) 'Oh, I'm really sorry'.
- (d) 'Why not? It smells good!'

(28) 'Can we meet outside McDonald's on Friday morning?' 'I'm not sure. I'll just check in my

- (a) agenda'
- (b) planning'
- (c) diary'
- (d) datebook'

(29) 'Thank you for the present, Deng. It's really kind of you!'

- (a) 'Yes, it is, isn't it?'
- (b) 'Don't mention it!'
- (c) 'It doesn't matter!'
- (d) 'Oh, for nothing!'

(30) 'My name's Tony Rivers. How do you do?'

- (a) 'Deng Peng. I'm very well, thank you'.
- (b) 'Hello'.
- (c) 'Deng Peng. How do you do?'
- (d) 'Very nice, thank you'.

PRONUNCIATION SECTION

Which word is pronounced **differently**?

Example: (a) most (b) post (c) cost (d) toast

The correct answer is (c)

(P1) (a) there (b) here (c) hair (d) care

(P2) (a) made (b) played (c) afraid (d) said

(P3) (a) horse (b) worse (c) nurse (d) dirt

(P4) (a) height (b) wait (c) weight (d) late

(P5) (a) knees (b) please (c) niece (d) trees

LEVEL THREE

Section One - choose the best answer

- (31) I wish I
- (a) stopped
 - (b) stop smoking!
 - (c) stopped to smoke!
 - (d) could stop smoking!
- (32) I remember
- (a) smoking
 - (b) to smoke
 - (c) smoked
 - (d) having smoke
- my first cigarette when I was 12. It tasted awful!
- (33) Now, even my mother insists
- (a) so that I smoke
 - (b) in me smoking
 - (c) on me smoking
 - (d) at me smoking
- in the garden!
- (34) My girlfriend says that she'll only marry me when I
- (a) would stop.
 - (b) stop.
 - (c) will stop.
 - (d) am stopping.
- (35) In my opinion, nobody wants to smoke 40 cigarettes a day,
- (a) does he?
 - (b) doesn't he?
 - (c) don't they?
 - (d) do they?
- (36) I often think of the money I
- (a) would save
 - (b) had saved
 - (c) saved
 - (d) would have saved
- if I had never smoked

Section Two - find the error in each sentence (a,b,c or d)

(37) (a) I read the newspaper, (b) when suddenly, there was a loud splash. (c) I rushed out into the garden, (d) and was amazed to find a cat in our swimming pool!

(38) My sister (a) looks as Beyoncé, but (b) she isn't really like her. She's (c) much more introverted, and above all, (d) is easy to get on with.

(39) A few days ago, (a) I went to Southampton by train. (b) There were no seats left, (c) so I had stand in the middle of the wagon. (d) That really spoilt my journey.

(40) My brother (a) didn't seem to do very well at school. (b) He always made out that it was boring, and (c) never got over to making much homework. (d) We were surprised when he passed all his exams.

(41) (a) When I was at school, (b) I have studied I.T. It is probably (c) the most useful thing I have ever done. (d) I now use a pc every day, and love surfing on the web.

Section Three - everyday expressions – choose the best phrase or response

(42) (*Telephoning*): 'This is quite a bad line. Could you

- (a) talk louder please'
- (b) raise your voice please'
- (c) speak up please'
- (d) call out please'

(43) (*Telephoning*): 'Can I speak to Maureen, please?'

- (a) 'Yes, you can'
- (b) 'I'll pass her to you'
- (c) 'One moment, I'll give you her'
- (d) 'One moment, I'll put you through'

(44) 'So, where are you from in Japan, Wong?'

- (a) 'Japan? I'm not Japanese!'
- (b) 'Korea, not Japan'.
- (c) 'I'm from Korea actually'.
- (d) 'But I am from Korea, you know!'

(45) 'Shall we go to Alum Bay tomorrow?'

- (a) 'Yes, we shall'.
- (b) 'Yes, let's!'
- (c) 'Yes, shall we go'.
- (d) 'No, we shan't!'

End

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Task: Write 75 – 100 words about yourself. You should include the following information:

- Name
- Country
- Family
- What you do, e.g. student, etc
- Likes and dislikes

Time: 20 minutes