

Level 2 Sample English Test - 2019 - 60 Questions (60 minutes)

A Language Use 1 – Grammar – Multiple Choice (10 questions)

1 My brother lives in Australia. I haven't seen him ... 16 years.

- A by B from C for D since

2 I ... my classes in Palermo this week because my family and I are away on a tour of London.

- A am attending B don't attend C will attend D am not attending

3 When I was a child, I ... ballet lessons and I enjoyed them very much.

- A bought B had got C didn't take D used to take

4. Do you ... any of the songs you learned in primary school?

- A forget always B usually think C remember still D still remember

5 I've never forgotten that wonderful teacher ... taught us English grammar.

- A who B he C what D which

6 I had a great summer. I went to Scotland ... holiday.

- A with B in C through D on

7 Ask Fred and Sue for help. They ... this book before.

- A study B are studying C have studied D will study

8 Poor old Mary! She broke her leg while ...

- A ski B skiing C to ski D to be skiing

9 I think European cinema is often ... stimulating than most Hollywood films.

- A much more B very much C the more D the most

10 I ... here since 7 o'clock.

- A wait B am waiting C have been waiting D will wait

11 Sicily offers tourists water sports, great camp sites, lovely beaches and ... a couple of golf courses.

- A even B still C yet D however

12 We need to get home at ... because John has had an accident.

- A last B least C once D all

13 You need to make a ... changes to your essay before you hand it in.

- A several B few C some D many

14 You really ... to wear smart clothes for your interview if you want to make a good impression.

- A can B might C should D ought

15 I refuse to cook for you ... you do the washing-up afterwards.

- A if B unless C as long as D as well as

16 I'm sure you would feel better if you ... more fruit and vegetables.

- A eat B ate C have eaten D will eat

B. Language Use 2 – Vocabulary – multiple choice (5 questions) *Choose*

the correct option (A, B, C or D) for each question (17-21).

17. Peter had to _ football because of a serious knee injury.

- A give up b put down c put on d ring in

18. I _ Monday's lecture. What was it about?

- A missed b marinated c sold d lost

19. Mary _ with her boyfriend because she didn't love him anymore.

- A kissed b made up c broke up d broke in

20. Fred _ of university because he found it too difficult.

- A dropped out b dropped in c picked up d threw out

21. Good students always _ notes during lectures.

- A take b steal c do d copy

C. Reading Comprehension - (10 questions)

Read the text and answer questions 22 to 31.

i. Email is an effective communication tool, which is widely used as a form of business communication. Writing an email is easy and inexpensive since it only requires an Internet connection that is generally already present in the business. From the CEO to the temporary employees of the business, everyone can send and receive email communications.

ii. **Some advantages of using internal emails**

Emails cannot and should not replace all face-to-face and other forms of communication, but the use of internal email can be very useful within a firm. Internal emails can be a good tool for sharing basic information, such as new cafeteria prices, paper use guidelines, or security precautions. Sending simple messages to an entire workforce with just the click of a mouse is fast, easy, and convenient, costing the company less money. If saved, the email can also function as proof of a message sent or received.

iii. **heading** _____

Business emails should be concise and not include too much information. Complex graphics and fonts can occupy lots of space in the receiver's inbox and may load slowly. Focus on one topic in a business email and write only the things that are appropriate for anyone to read. Proper grammar and spelling are very important too because they reflect on you and your abilities. Also use proper punctuation and capitalization. Attachments should be prepared in a format that any receiver can easily access/download. The subject line always has to be specified. Whether sending an internal or external email, the subject line should accurately represent the content of the email. Business emails should be brief, positive and professional.

iv. **heading** _____

Using emails in business communication is certainly less personal than face-to-face communication. It can obstruct social interaction and limit social interaction. Sometimes when you are writing to somebody, receivers may not read your tone and expression, so they have to try to interpret your words. Plus, you need to consider that even though emails can be quite informal, they are also a permanent record and should be treated carefully. v.

heading _____

Email has been revolutionary in the world of business communication because information is quickly passed along. Employees and customers are able to access information from a computer, phone or tablet nearly anywhere. The use of email within a business can greatly increase productivity for employees and can be a quick way to increase sales too. More and more companies are using email communications as part of the marketing mix to communicate and interact with target markets.

Title – multiple choice (Question 22)

22. What would be the most appropriate title for this article?

- A. The Use of Email in Communication
- B. The Use of Email in Business Communication
- C. How Email is changing our society
- D. Email and Linguistics: An introduction

Headings (Questions 23-25)

Read the text and choose the most appropriate heading (A-F) for paragraphs iii to v.

- A. Email can cost companies a lot of money
- B. Effective letter writing
- C. How to write a business email
- D. Emails help companies to sell more
- E. Problems with using email
- F. Email use: efficient, economical and popular

- 23. paragraph iii _____
- 24. paragraph iv _____
- 25. paragraph v _____

Content – multiple choice (4 questions, 26-29) Choose the correct option (A, B, C or D) for each question.

26. According to an example in the text, internal emails may be used to ...

- A. invite colleagues to the cafeteria
- B. send messages to the security guard

- C. tell colleagues that paper for the printer has finished
- D. communicate new food prices

27. The subject line in business emails should ...

- A. be accurate only in external emails
- B. be used only if it is important
- C. be accurate, especially in internal emails
- D. be used at all times and for all emails

28. The writer believes that emails ...

- A. help people to socialize
- B. may reduce social interaction
- C. are the most personal form of communication
- D. are always better than face-to-face interaction

29. Through the use of email, companies may ...

- A. have access to other companies' computers
- B. sell more
- C. have extra computers
- D. have more employees

Vocabulary – (2 questions, 30-31) Using the definitions given below, find the most appropriate words in the text.

30. Write a word in paragraph iv which means to prevent or impede.

31. Write a word in paragraph v which means involving or causing a complete or dramatic change.

E. Guided Cloze – (10 questions, 32-41)

Choose the most appropriate words from the list to fill blanks 32-36:

mailed	taken	left	unhappy	imagination	manuscript	surprise	success
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Doris Lessing was born in Persia in 1919 and was 32 to Rhodesia when she was five. She spent her childhood on a farm there, apart from a bitterly 33 period when she was sent away to school. She 34 Africa in 1949 and moved to London, taking with her the 35 of her first novel, *The Grass is Singing*. This was published in 1950 with outstanding 36 in Britain, America and ten European countries.

Choose the most appropriate words from the list to fill blanks 36-41:

bookings	issues	art	science	frustration	moves	elderly	young
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Since then her reputation has continued to grow. Her work has touched on the most significant 37 of our time. The sequence, *Children of Violence*, draws on her experiences as a 38 Communist in colonial Africa, her sense of 39 as a woman and her arrival in post-war England. The final novel in the sequence 40 into the future to tackle nuclear war and scenarios that are found in 41 fiction more often than in traditional novels.

E. Sentence Transformations - (9 questions) For each item, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first one. Use NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS to complete each sentence.

EXAMPLE: This holiday is too expensive for me.

I haven't got ___ to pay for this holiday.

ANSWER: ENOUGH MONEY

42. A free documentary film is included in the exhibition. The exhibition (42)_____ a free documentary film.

43. The Mexican restaurant is cheaper than the Greek restaurant.
The Mexican restaurant costs (43)_____ the Greek restaurant.

44. We haven't been to the theatre for a long time.
It's been a long time since we (44)_____ the theatre.

45. I asked Sarah if she wanted to come to the library with me.
I said to Sarah: "(45)_____ to come to the library with me?"

46. I don't know his address, so I can't give it to you.
If I (46)_____ his address, I would give it to you.
47. He finds cricket matches pretty boring.
He gets pretty (47)_____ cricket matches.
48. John said to Carole: " I don't know how to write essays."
John told Carole (48)_____ how to write essays.
49. That book was written by a friend of mine.
A friend of mine (49)_____ that book.
50. John told Peter he would help him.
John offered (50)_____ Peter.

F. TEXT COMPLETION – Open (10 marks)

Complete the letter below by writing appropriate words in each of the ten gaps (1-10). Be careful, you can only ONE or TWO words for each gap.



Ancaster University Library

December 23, 2019

Dear Mr. Cook,

I am (51) to inform you that you have not returned the library books (52) were due back on March 9.

As you may know, the university (53) a limited number of resource materials. Many other students are waiting for the books you (54) last month. The books are: *The History of Canada from 1300-1700*, *North America: a time-frame*, and *The Fur Trade*. The first book is the (55) valuable book in the library's collection.

Given the seriousness of the situation, the library administration has (56) to suspend your borrowing privileges until the problem is resolved. If you do not return the books by 7 p.m. on January 1, your library card will(57) permanently. You will also have to pay for (58) of the three volumes.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 555 789, (59) Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5p.m.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

(60) sincerely,

C. Tiles

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Head Librarian

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ANSWER KEY

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Choose the correct option (A, B, C or D) for each question (1-16).

1. C
2. D
3. D
4. D
5. A
6. D
7. C
8. B
9. A
10. C
11. A
12. C
13. B
14. D
15. B
16. B

B. Language Use 2 – Vocabulary – multiple choice (5 questions)

Choose the correct option (A, B, C or D) for each question (17-21).

17. A
18. A
19. C
20. A
21. A

C. Reading Comprehension - (10 questions) Read the text and answer questions 22 to 31.

22. B
23. C
24. E
25. F
26. D
27. D
28. B
29. B
30. OBSTRUCT
31. REVOLUTIONARY

D. Guided Cloze – (10 questions, 32-40) Choose the most appropriate words from the list to fill blanks 26-30:

32. TAKEN

33. UNHAPPY
34. LEFT
35. MANUSCRIPT
36. SUCCESS
37. ISSUES
38. YOUNG
39. FRUSTRATION
40. MOVES
41. SCIENCE

E. Sentence Transformations - (10 questions) *For each item, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first one. Use NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS to complete each sentence.*

42. INCLUDES
43. LESS THAN
44. LAST WENT / WENT
45. WOULD YOU LIKE (DO YOU WANT)
46. HAD / KNEW
47. BORED AT / BORED BY
48. HE DIDN'T KNOW
49. WROTE
50. TO HELP

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Complete the letter below by writing appropriate words in each of the ten gaps (1-10). Be careful, you can only use ONE or TWO words for each gap.

51. WRITING / SORRY
52. WHICH
53. HAS / HAS GOT / OWNS
54. BORROWED / TOOK OUT
55. MOST
56. DECIDED
57. BE CANCELLED / BE WITHDRAWN / BE REVOKED
58. ALL / THE LOSS
59. FROM
60. YOURS