

Pearson Test of English General

# Practice Test 1: Written Test

Level 1  
Elementary



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<b>Sections</b>	<b>Skills</b>	<b>Score points</b>	<b>Level A1</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Level 4</b>	<b>Level 5</b>
<b>1</b>	Listening	10	1 hour 15 mins	1 hour 15 mins	1 hour 35 mins	2 hours	2 hours 30 mins	2 hours 55 mins
<b>2</b>	Listening and Writing	10						
<b>3</b>	Listening	10						
<b>4</b>	Reading	5						
<b>5</b>	Reading	5						
<b>6</b>	Reading	8						
<b>7</b>	Reading	7						
<b>8</b>	Writing	10						
<b>9</b>	Writing	10						

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## SECTION 1



You have 10 seconds to read each question. Listen and put a cross in the box next to the correct answer, as in the example. You have 10 seconds to choose the correct option.

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**Example: What activity is she describing?**



A

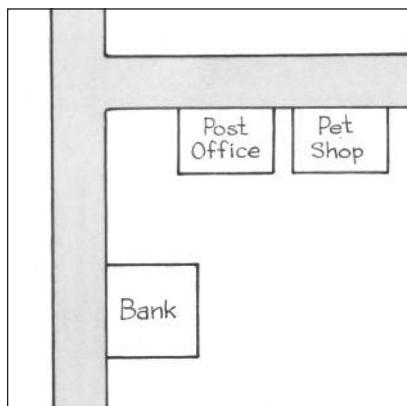


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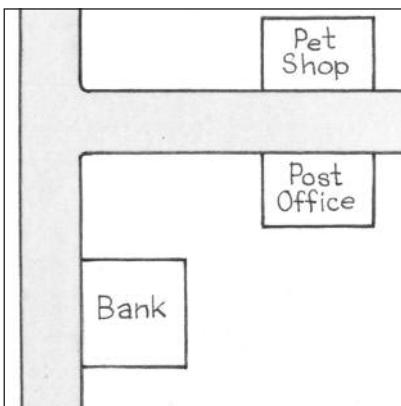


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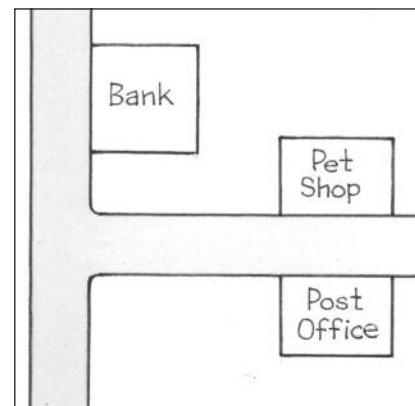
**1. Where is the pet shop?**



A



B



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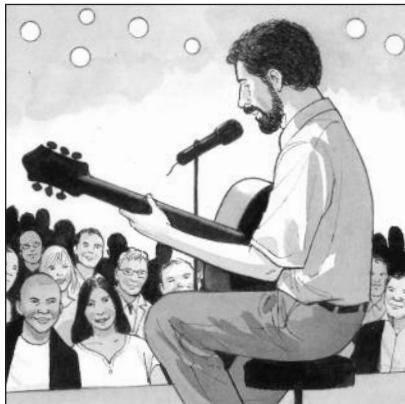


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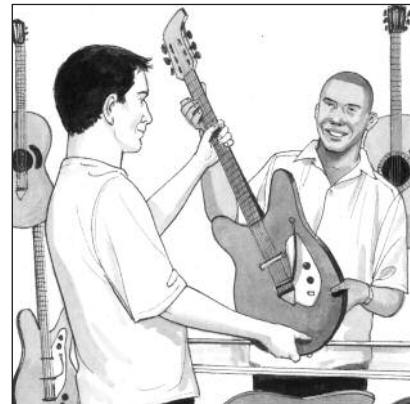
**2. Which person is the speaker?**



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B

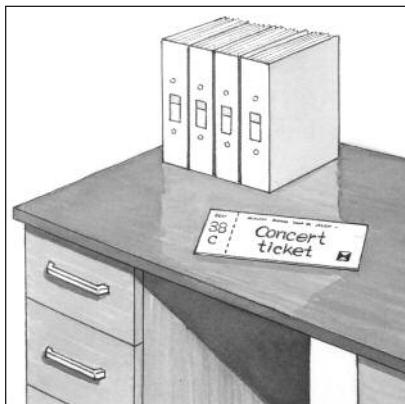


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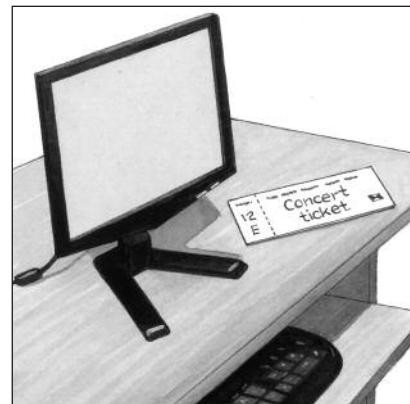
**3. Where is the concert ticket?**



A



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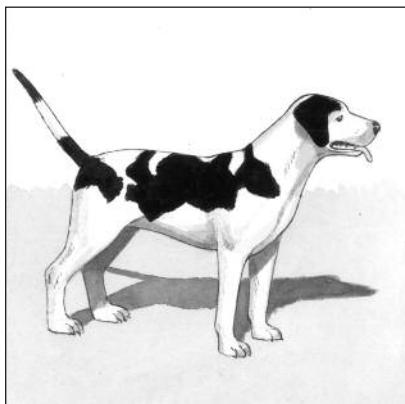


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**4. Which dog is the girl describing?**



A



B



C

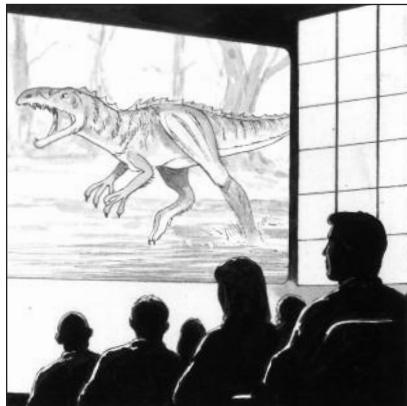
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**5. Where are the speakers?**



A



B



C

**6. What is the ticket for?**



A

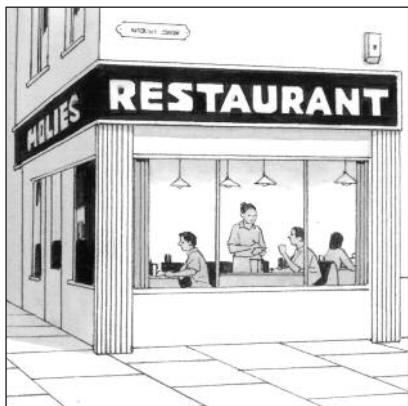


B



C

**7. What is next to the Regal?**



A



B



C



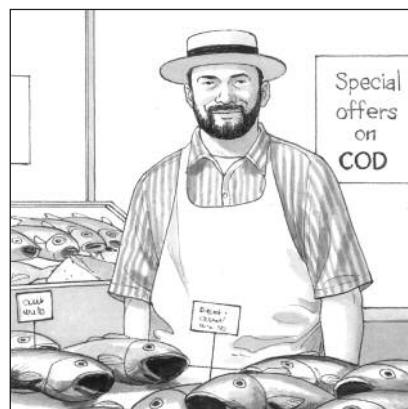
**8. Who is the speaker?**



A



B



C

**9. Which person is Danny Zola?**



A



B

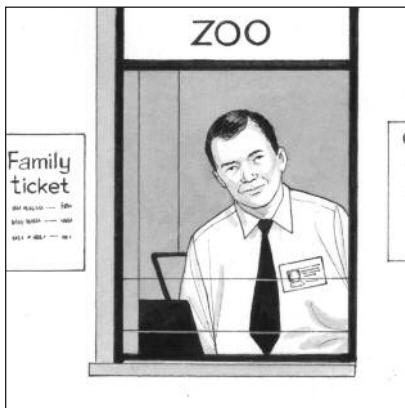


C

**10. Where does the speaker work?**



A



B



C

(10 marks)



## SECTION 2

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You will hear a recording about zoos. Listen to the whole recording once. Then you will hear the recording again with pauses for you to write down what you hear.

Make sure you spell the words correctly.

11.



(10 marks)



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## SECTION 3



You will hear a recorded message. First, read the notes below then listen and complete the notes with information from the recorded message. You will hear the recording twice.

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**Example.** Call from: *John* .....

- 12** Calling about: .....
- 13** Place of event: .....
- 14** Date of event: .....
- 15** Price: .....
- 16** Call back: .....



### SECTION 3 CONTINUED



You will hear a public announcement. First, read the notes below then listen and complete the notes with information from the public announcement. You will hear the recording twice.

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**Example.** Message for: ..... *all visitors* .....

- [17] Treetops closing time:.....
- [18] Free for children:.....
- [19] Cost of bus:.....
- [20] Location of restaurant:.....
- [21] Cheapest meal:.....

(10 marks)

That is the end of the listening section of the test. Now go on to the other sections of the test.



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## SECTION 4



Read each text and put a cross (X) by the missing word or phrase, as in the example.

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### Example.

- A  Next event
- B  Coming soon
- C  Doors open

Twister Club (Manchester's No 1 Music Club)

“The Rings of Saturn”

Saturday 24 May

..... 8.00 pm

Tickets £18.00 (Information Office) £20.00 on the door

22.

Don't ..... the animals!  
It is not good for them.  
The zookeepers give them what they  
need to stay healthy.

- A  touch
- B  feed
- C  hurt

23.

Woodbury Pop Festival  
Queue here to buy tickets.  
..... go straight on to  
the entrance (200 metres on left).

- A  Ticket sales
- B  Ticket holders
- C  Music fans



24.

The Odeon Cinema  
“Return to Mars”  
Starring Ben Potter  
..... 5.15pm and 7.45pm  
**Saturdays and Sundays 2.30pm 5pm and 8pm**  
Adults £6 Children £3

- A  Mondays to Fridays  
B  Closed on Wednesdays  
C  Wednesdays half price

Leave blank

25.

Dog .....  
£100 reward  
Have you found my dog, Rover?  
Last seen here on March 10th.  
Please help me to find him.  
Call Becky on 07710 515 142

- A  Missing  
B  For Sale  
C  Show

26.

**Free Guitar Lessons**  
In exchange for .....  
Call Francesco on 0781 66 22 44  
Or email [Francesco@speedmail.com](mailto:Francesco@speedmail.com)

- A  £15 an hour  
B  English tuition  
C  Monday to Friday

(5 marks)



## SECTION 5



For each question, put a cross (X) in the box below the correct picture, as in the example.

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**Example.** Which cinema is showing 'The Desert' next week?

'The Desert' by Jane Green is the latest of her wonderful films set in Africa. It's on at the Regal until the end of this week but after that you'll have to go to the 'Majestic'. Or of course you can rent the DVD from The Film Centre.



A



B



C



27. What is the correct picture for the advertisement?

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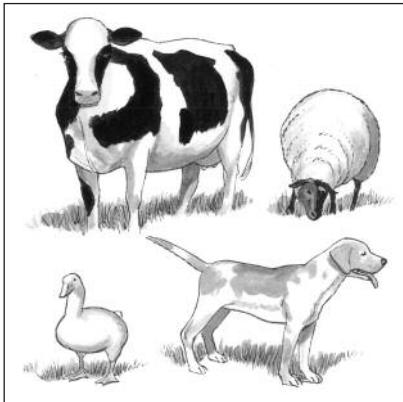
## Maynard's Farm

Educational Tours from Spring to Summer

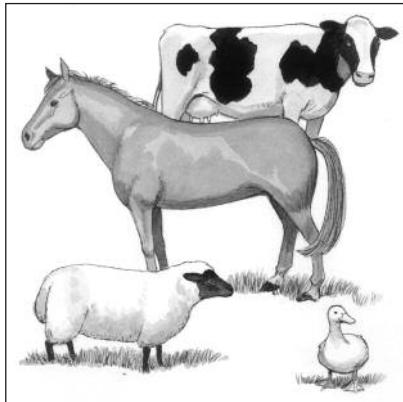
- see the sheep
- milk a cow
- ride a horse
- take a tractor ride
- bring some bread and feed the ducks

Call John Maynard on 0211 345 333 for bookings

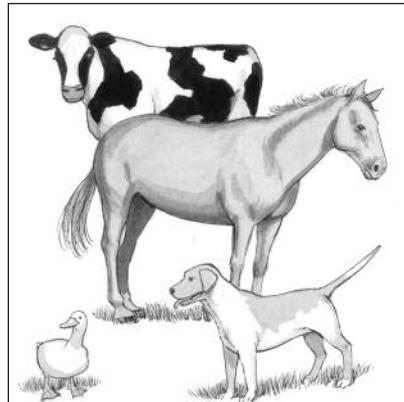
Sorry no dogs allowed



A



B



C

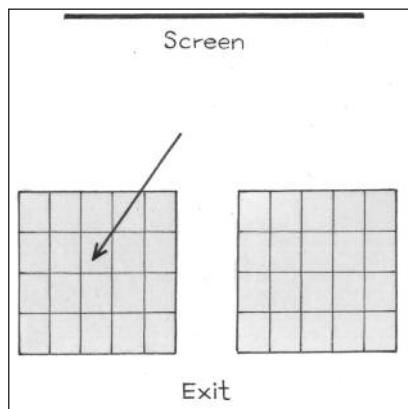


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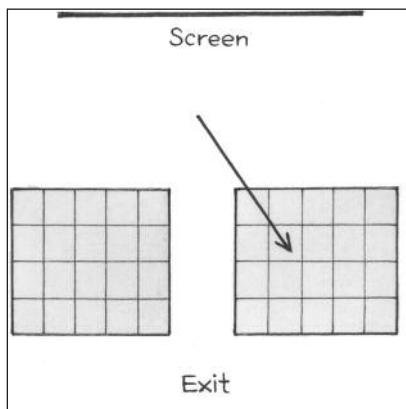
## 28. Where is Alice sitting?

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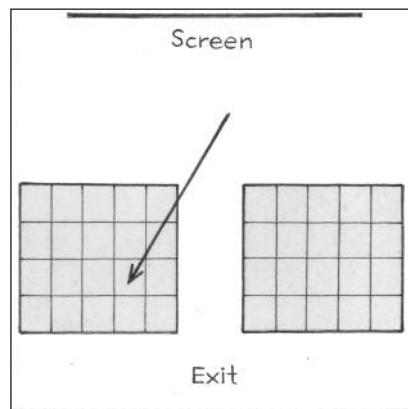
Wendy, I'm already in the cinema. I arrived early and didn't want to wait outside in the rain. I'm sitting in the second row from the front near the screen. It's on the left as you walk in. Hurry up. The film starts in five minutes.  
Alice.



A



B



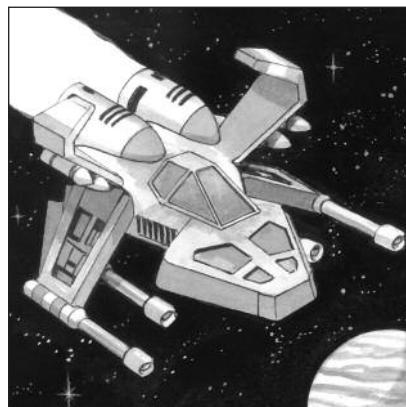
C

## 29. Which film does Bob want to see?

Hi Mandy, yes, the cinema sounds good but not another ghost film, and you know how much I hate science fiction. Jeremy says "A New Life" is fantastic. It's about a couple who fall in love on a cruise. How about that? Bob.



A



B

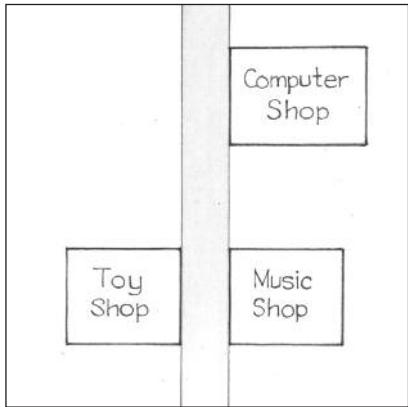
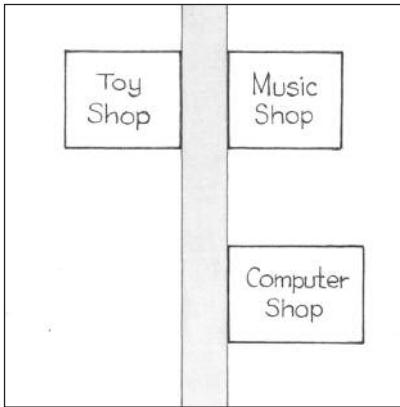
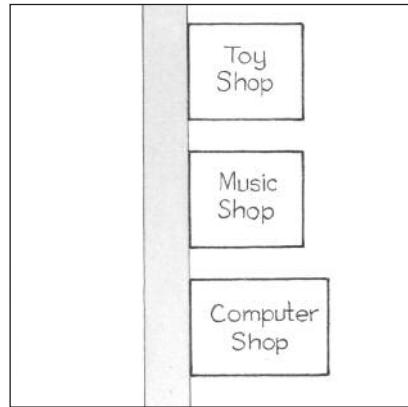


C



**30. Which is the correct map?**

OK, so you're at the main entrance of the shopping centre. If you look straight ahead, you'll see a big computer shop on your right. The music shop is the next shop just past the computer shop. It's opposite the toy shop.

A B C **31. What does Andy need to buy?**

Andy, when you go to the pet shop, can you buy two tins of dog food? Oh, and a box of bird seed for Joey. We've got enough fish for Felix so don't worry about that.

A B C 

(5 marks)



## SECTION 6

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Read the letter below and answer the questions.

Dear Parents,

Your daughter's class is currently doing a project on British wildlife. For this reason, we have arranged a trip for next week to the wildlife park at Willerton. We will travel to Willerton on the school bus. However, there will be a small charge of £10, including transport and entry to the park (usually £4).

Please sign this form and return it to the school.

Yours,

Mr Taylor

**Example.** Who is the letter to Parents

**32. What are the children studying at school?**

**33. When is the trip taking place?**

**34. How are the children going to travel?**

**35. How much is the school trip?**



## SECTION 6 CONTINUED

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Read the email below and answer the questions.

The world famous American rock band, The Spiders, arrived in London yesterday for the first of six concerts in Britain. After the concert in the capital, which takes place tomorrow, The Spiders will visit five other British cities, finishing their tour in Glasgow. Tickets are selling fast so if you want to see them, you'll need to hurry. Tickets are only available online and cost £50. See page 25 for details.

**Example.** What kind of music do The Spiders play? Rock

36. When did The Spiders arrive in London?

37. How many concerts are The Spiders going to do?

38. Where is the last concert?

39. How can you buy concert tickets?

(8 marks)



## SECTION 7

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Read the advertisement and complete the notes. Write no more than three words in each gap from the advertisement.

### Oakwood Film Studios

Oakwood Film Studios is a great place for a family day out. The studios are in Brampton – convenient for people traveling by bus, rail or car.

Oakwood is open from 9am to 5pm every day except 25th December. It is great fun at all times and is particularly popular in the summer months.

Tours of the studios start every half hour from 9.30 in the morning and last for 90 minutes. After the tour you can visit the film museum and meet some of the actors who work at Oakwood.

When you are hungry, why not enjoy a meal in the studio restaurant? Or, if you prefer, there's a beautiful picnic area.

All this for just £15 per person, or £40 for a family.

What are you waiting for? Visit us now!

**Example.** Name of Studios: Oakwood

**40. Location:** .....

**41. Closed on:** .....

**42. Busiest time:** .....

**43. Length of tour:** .....

**44. Where to eat:** ..... and **45.** .....

**46. Individual ticket price:** .....

(7 marks)



## **SECTION 8**



**Use the information in Section 7 to help you write your answer.**

47. You have read the advertisement about Oakwood Film Studios. Write an email to a friend. Write 50-70 words and include the following information:

- tell him / her about Oakwood
  - say what you can do there
  - ask him / her to go there with you

**Write your answer here. Do not write outside the box.**

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(10 marks)



## SECTION 9

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Choose one of the topics below and write your answer in 80-100 words.

### 48. A) Music

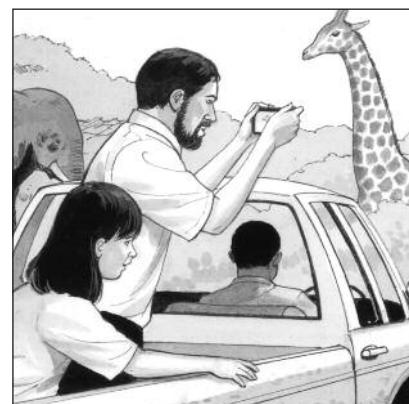
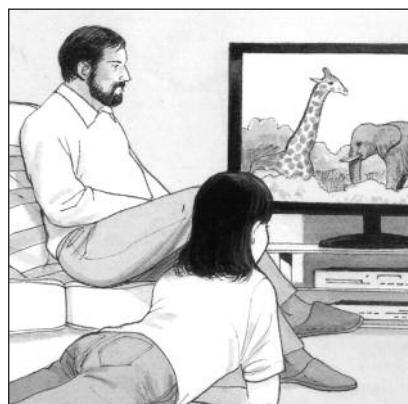
Last weekend you went to a concert with a friend. Look at the pictures and write a description of what happened for your diary.



Or

### 48. B) Animals

Your friend Karen had a fantastic holiday last summer. Look at the pictures and write about it.



**Write your answer here. Do not write outside the box.**

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(10 marks)



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# ANSWER KEY

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## Section 1

**Example:** A

1. B
2. A
3. C
4. A
5. A
6. C
7. C
8. B
9. B
10. B

## Section 2

11. Zoos can be very interesting places. / They are home to animals / from all over the world. / But some people dislike zoos / because they hate seeing / animals in cages.

## Section 3

**Example:** John

12. concert tickets
13. MEOPHAM
14. 19th July
15. £30
16. tomorrow



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### Section 3 Continued

**Example:** all visitors

17. 5.30(pm)
18. (animal) posters
19. free / no charge
20. (by) (the) lake
21. £11

### Section 4

**Example:** C

22. B
23. B
24. A
25. A
26. B

### Section 5

**Example:** B

27. B
28. A
29. C
30. B
31. A

### Section 6

**Example:** Parents

32. British wildlife
33. next week
34. (by) school bus
35. £10



## **Section 6 Continued**

**Example:** Rock

- 36.** yesterday
- 37.** six/6
- 38.** Glasgow
- 39.** online/on a website

Leave  
blank

## **Section 7**

**Example:** Oakwood

- 40.** Brampton
- 41.** December 25th
- 42.** summer (months)
- 43.** 90 minutes
- 44.** (studio) restaurant / picnic area
- 45.** picnic area / (studio) restaurant
- 46.** £15

## **Section 8**

### **47. Sample answer:**

Hi John, I saw an advertisement about Oakwood Film Studios in Brampton yesterday. That's not far from here. You can do lots of things there. There are tours and you can visit the film museum. Also you can talk to actors. Isn't that cool?

It's not very expensive – only £15 – and it's easy to get there by bus. Do you want to come with me next weekend? It'll be great! (70 words)



**Section 9****48 A. Sample answer:**

Last weekend I went to a fantastic concert with my friend Alex. He phoned me on Saturday morning and invited me to see Franco Noni, the violinist. I met Alex at a café at 7 o'clock that evening and at 7.30 we went to the concert hall. The music was wonderful. When Franco finished, we all clapped very loudly and he played one more time. Alex and I went home in a taxi. I got out at my house and waved goodbye to Alex. I had a great time. (89 words)

**48 B. Sample answer:**

My friend Karen loves animals. One day last year she watched a programme about African animals on television with her Dad and really wanted to go to see the animals herself. She told her Dad this and so together they went to a travel agent and bought some air tickets to Africa. When they arrived there, they rented a car and went into the countryside. It was wonderful and Karen was so excited. They saw elephants, giraffes and many other animals. Karen's Dad took lots of pictures. Karen will never forget this trip. (93 words)



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## TRANSSCRIPTS

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This is the Pearson Test of English General Level 1. This test takes 1 hour and 35 minutes.

### Section 1

You have 10 seconds to read each question. Listen and put a cross in the box next to the correct answer, as in the example. You have 10 seconds to choose the correct option.

**Example: Listen to the woman speaking. What activity is she describing?**

F: I usually start with the corners and the edges. Once I put those together, I start grouping the pieces by colour. It also helps to have a picture of what it will look like.

***The correct answer is A***

**1. Listen to the woman speaking. Where is the pet shop?**

F: No, the pet shop's not far. Just walk down the street and after the bank, turn right. You'll see it opposite the post office.

**2. Listen to the man speaking. Which person is the speaker?**

M: And now, performing in Britain for the first time, please welcome Spain's greatest guitarist, Jose Molinos.

**3. Listen to the conversation. Where is the concert ticket?**

M: Mum, where's my ticket for the concert? I left it on my bed and it's not there now.

F: I put it on your desk in front of your computer. I had to make your bed.

**4. Listen to the girl speaking. Which dog is she describing?**

F: Can we buy this black and white dog Dad? He's only small and very friendly. And look at his long ears and short legs. He's so cute.

**5. Listen to the conversation. Where are the speakers?**

M: Have you got any seats at the back?

F: Sorry, we've only got seats at the front now.

M: OK, we'll wait for the next showing.

**6. Listen to the conversation. What is the ticket for?**

M: I've got a spare ticket for a concert tonight. Do you want to come with me? It's your favourite classical composer, Mozart.

F: I can't. I'm going dancing. Ask Ben. He'll go, I'm sure.



**Section 1 Continued****7. Listen to the woman speaking. What is next to the Regal?**

F: We're meeting in front of the Regal at 7pm and then going to a restaurant. That's the cinema next to the supermarket, not the one near the bank.

**8. Listen to the man speaking. Who is he?**

M: So, six tins of meat, a tin of fish and some dog biscuits. That's two fifty nine please.

**9. Listen to the woman speaking. Which person is Danny Zola?**

F: That's not Danny Zola. Danny Zola's hair is blonde like that, but it's shoulder length. And you never see him wearing sunglasses. I know what he looks like – he's my favourite actor.

**10. Listen to the man speaking. Where does he work?**

M: Here you are – a family ticket. That's £25. The price includes car parking. The dolphin show is at 3pm. And please don't forget – don't get too close to the animals.

**Section 2****11. You will hear a recording about zoos. Listen to the whole recording once. Then you will hear the recording again with pauses for you to write down what you hear. Make sure you spell the words correctly.**

F: Zoos can be very interesting places. /They are home to animals /from all over the world. /But some people dislike zoos /because they hate seeing /animals in cages.

**Section 3****12.– 16. You will hear a recorded message. First, read the notes below then listen and complete the notes with information from the recorded message. You will hear the recording twice.**

M: Hi Pat. John here. I've got some information for you about the concert tickets. You remember, you asked me about them last week. Well, the concert is not going to be in London now – it's in the village of Meopham. It's got a funny spelling, M-E-O-P-H-A-M. And the date has changed too. It was on the 12th of July, but now it's on the 19th, one week later but still on a Saturday. They've sold all the £20 tickets – so we'll have to pay £10 more - so £30 - but that's OK. I'll be out until 10pm this evening so phone me tomorrow. I'll be at home all day. Bye.

[NOTE: Meopham is pronounced 'Meppam' with stress on the first syllable]

Now listen again



**Section 3 Continued**

**17.– 21. You will hear a public announcement. First, read the notes below then listen and complete the notes with information from the public announcement. You will hear the recording twice.**

F: Your attention please! We would like to remind all visitors that Treetops Animal Park is closing shortly at half past five. The souvenir shop will also be closing at that time so make sure your children collect their free animal posters before then.

For visitors without cars, there is a bus service to the train station and then on to the town centre. There is no charge for this - just show your Treetops ticket to travel for free.

If you would like to have dinner in our restaurant by the lake before you go home, that will remain open until eight thirty, with meals from £11 and drinks from £2.50.

Thank you for visiting Treetops Animal Park. Come again soon.

**Now listen again**

**That is the end of the listening section of the test. Now go on to the other sections of the test.**





