TEACHER’S PAPER

Instructions for the conduct of the Listening Comprehension Examination

The teacher should instruct the candidates to answer the questions on the paper provided. The following procedure for reading the Listening Comprehension passage is to be explained to the candidates immediately before proceeding with the examination.

You have been given a sheet containing the Listening Comprehension questions. You will be given three minutes to read the questions based on the passage which I shall read aloud for you. I shall then read the passage at normal reading speed. You may take notes during the reading. After this reading there will be a pause of another three minutes to enable you to answer some of the questions. The passage will be read a second time and you may take further notes and answer the rest of the questions. After this second reading you will be given a further three minutes for a final revision of answers.

a. 3 minutes - Teacher reads out the questions.
b. 3 minutes - Teacher reads passage aloud for the first time while students take notes.
c. 3 minutes - Students answer questions
d. 3 minutes - Teacher reads passage for the second time. Students may answer more questions.
e. 3 minutes - Students revise final answers.
LISTENING COMPREHENSION

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Listen to the announcements made first in an airport and then on an airplane.

Pre-boarding Announcement
Good afternoon passengers. This is the pre-boarding announcement for Flight 89A to Birmingham. We are now inviting passengers with small children, and any passengers needing special assistance, to begin boarding at this time. Please have your boarding pass and passport ready. Regular boarding will begin in approximately ten minutes’ time. Thank you.

Final Boarding Announcement
This is the final boarding call for passengers Ann and Mark Borg booked on Flight 89A to Birmingham. Please proceed to Gate 3 immediately. The final checks are being completed and the captain will order the doors of the aircraft to be closed in approximately five minutes’ time. I repeat: This is the final boarding for Ann and Mark Borg. Thank you.

Pre-flight Announcement
Ladies and gentlemen, welcome on board Flight 89A travelling from Malta to Birmingham. We are third in line for take-off and are expected to be in the air in approximately seven minutes’ time. We ask you to fasten your seatbelts at this time and secure all baggage underneath your seat or in the overhead compartments. Your seats and table trays are to be in the upright position for take-off. Please turn off all personal electronic devices, including laptop and cell phones. Smoking is prohibited for the duration of the flight. Thank you for choosing Air Comino. Enjoy your flight.

Captain’s Announcement
Good afternoon passengers. This is your captain speaking. First I’d like to welcome you on board Air Comino Flight 89A. We are currently cruising at an altitude of 33,000 feet at 400 miles per hour. The time is 1.25pm. The weather looks fine and we are expecting to land in Birmingham approximately fifteen minutes ahead of schedule. We should get a great view of the city as we descend. The cabin crew will be coming around in about twenty minutes’ time to offer you a light snack and drink. The inflight movie will begin soon after that. I’ll talk to you again before we reach our destination. Until then, sit back, relax and enjoy your flight.
A. Underline the correct answer. (4 marks)

1. Flight 89A is on its way to
   a) London
   b) Birmingham
   c) Manchester
   d) Liverpool

2. Ann and Mark Borg will miss the flight if they do not board the airplane in
   a) six minutes’ time.
   b) ten minutes’ time.
   c) five minutes’ time.
   d) twenty minutes’ time.

3. Flight 89A is
   a) third in line for take-off.
   b) first in line for take-off.
   c) second in line for take-off.
   d) last in line for take-off.

4. The airplane is cruising at a speed of
   a) 200 miles per hour.
   b) 500 miles per hour.
   c) 300 miles per hour.
   d) 400 miles per hour.
B. Mark the following statements TRUE or FALSE. (4 marks)

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<td>2. Baggage can be put under the seat or in the overhead compartments.</td>
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<td>3. Seats and table trays should be upright for take-off.</td>
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<td>4. Passengers can use their laptops during the flight.</td>
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C. Fill in the blanks with ONE word from the text: (2 marks)

The captain said that the weather looked ____________ and that the cabin crew would be serving a light ____________.
Read the following passage carefully and then answer the questions on the main paper.

(A) Warwick Castle was home to the Earls of Warwick until 1978 when it was sold to a private company. Since then extensive restoration work has been carried out and large areas of the Castle have been opened to paying visitors.

(B) For the first time in 1982, wax figures were introduced in the library and music room of the Castle, bringing history to life. Soon after, the Victorian Rose Garden was restored to its original design and was given a royal opening in 1986 by The Princess of Wales. In 1996 The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh were given a tour of the Kingmaker attraction at the Castle.

(C) A few years later, in 2007, ‘Dream of Battle’ began. This is a multimedia experience about the horrors of battle. The Dungeon was opened in 2009, bringing to life, through live actors and special effects, terrible stories dating back to 1345.

(D) Throughout its years as an attraction, visitors from near and far have been able to experience the Castle as a great day out for the family. Visitors can enjoy a range of spectacular shows such as archery and battle re-enactments. You can also climb up Merlin’s tower which features some of the main characters from the popular BBC TV series.

(E) Warwick Castle today also hosts weddings, birthdays, Christmas celebrations and other special occasions. At Halloween it has spookily themed walking trails and haunted towers. During the summer music concerts are held as well as craft fairs.

(F) Maintaining Warwick Castle involves enormous costs. The Castle receives no financial support from the government and all funds are raised from visitors’ admission fees.
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FORM 3 ENGLISH TIME: 2 hours

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SECTION A – LANGUAGE 15 marks

A. Use a, an, the, some or any to fill in the blanks of the text below. The first one has been done for you. (5 marks)

Yorkshire Pudding

Yorkshire Pudding is (0) an English dish made from (1) _________ eggs, flour and milk. (2) _________ dish is (3) _________ important part of (4) _________ traditional British Sunday Roast. Nowadays it may also be served with (5) _________ vegetables for those who cannot eat (6) _________ meat, such as vegetarians. It may also be served as (7) _________ dessert with (8) _________ sugar, syrup or jam. It is meant to rise when cooked and in 2008 it was decided that (9) _________ pudding which is less than four inches tall is not (10) _________ Yorkshire Pudding.
B. **Fill in the blanks with one of the prepositions in the box. You may use each preposition more than once. The first one has been done for you.** (5 marks)

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**Cream tea in Devon and Cornwall**

Tea is not only a drink, but also a snack or meal taken (0) **between** 4 and 5.30 (1) **_________** the afternoon. Clotted cream forms an important part (2) **_________** a cream tea. There is a lot of disagreement (3) **_________** what a cream tea is like. The Devon method is to split a scone (4) **_________** two when it is still fresh, then cover each half (5) **_________** clotted cream and finally add some strawberry jam (6) **_________** top. (7) **_________** Cornwall, the scone is first buttered, then spread (8) **_________** strawberry jam and the cream is left (9) **_________** last. So there is not much difference (10) **_________** a Devon and Cornish cream tea after all!

C. **Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb. The first one has been done for you.** (5 marks)

Before the days of supermarkets, town markets (0) **were** (is) the best source for many daily goods. While changes in farming (1) **______________________** (go on) in the 20th century, many town markets (2) **______________________** (survive) and (3) **______________________** (enter) the 21st century selling a wider range of products.

Town markets now usually (4) **______________________** (have) a wide range of stalls, with everything from fresh local produce, flowers and crafts to prints and pictures, fashion and much more. If you (5) **______________________** (visit) a country town for the first time you (6) **______________________** normally **______________________** (find) the market on the town’s High Street. It (7) **______________________** (be) usually a must-see attraction for all visitors to the town. Today town markets (8) **______________________** (offer) a fantastic range of antiques and collectables. So if you (9) **______________________** (be) a Bargain Hunter you (10) **______________________** probably **______________________** (come across) something interesting to buy.
SECTION B – READING COMPREHENSION  

20 marks

Read the passage which is on a separate sheet, and then answer the questions below.

1. Underline the correct answer.  

   i. Warwick castle is now owned by

      a. The Earls of Warwick.
      b. The Queen.
      c. Warwick Local Council.
      d. a private company.

   ii. At Warwick castle wax figures can be found

      a. in the kitchen and dining room.
      b. in the library and music room.
      c. in the drawing room.
      d. in Merlin’s tower.

2. Mark the following statements TRUE or FALSE.  

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<td>ii. Paying visitors can now see large areas of the castle.</td>
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<td>iii. Wax figures were introduced in 1984.</td>
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<td>iv. The Victorian Rose Garden was opened in 1986.</td>
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<td>v. The Queen visited Warwick castle in 1996.</td>
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3. What do the following words in bold refer to in the passage? (4 marks)
   i. it (paragraph A) ________________________________
   ii. its (paragraph B) ________________________________
   iii. This (paragraph C) ________________________________
   iv. It (paragraph E) ________________________________

4. List SIX attractions that one can enjoy visiting at Warwick castle. (3 marks)
   i. ________________________________________________
   ii. ________________________________________________
   iii. ________________________________________________
   iv. ________________________________________________
   v.  ________________________________________________
   vi.  ________________________________________________

5. Mention THREE celebrations that can be held at Warwick castle. (3 marks)
   i.  ________________________________________________
   ii.  ________________________________________________
   iii.  ________________________________________________

6. What can one find at the castle at Halloween? (1 mark)
   ________________________________________________

7. When can visitors enjoy music concerts and craft fairs at the castle? (1 mark)
   ________________________________________________

8. How is money collected for the castle’s maintenance? (1 mark)
   ________________________________________________
SECTION C - LITERATURE  

ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE UNPREPARED POEM  

UNPREPARED POEM

Motor Cars

From a city window, way up high,
I like to watch the cars go by.
They look like burnished beetles, black,
That leave a little muddy track
Behind them as they slowly crawl.
Sometimes they do not move at all
But huddle close with hum and drone
As though they feared to be alone.
They grope their way through fog and night
With the golden feelers of their light.

Rowena Bennett

1. Where is the speaker when she is looking at the cars? (1 mark)

2. What does she compare the cars to? (1 mark)

3. Quote a line which describes this comparison. (1 mark)

4. What figure of speech is used in this comparison? (1 mark)
5. In your own words explain this comparison. (3 marks)

____________________________________________________________________
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____________________________________________________________________

6. Quote TWO words from the poem which describe sound. (1 mark)

(a) __________________________
(b) __________________________

7. Quote one metaphor used in the poem. (1 mark)

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8. Does the poem have a regular rhyme scheme? (½ mark)

____________________________________________________________________

9. Give an example of TWO rhyming words. (½ mark)

(a) __________________________
(b) __________________________
There was a thunderstorm out at sea last night. It woke me up. I knelt up on my bed and watched the lightning from my window. Mum slept through it, so did everyone else, but I heard it. Tips, our cat, used to hate thunderstorms. She’d burrow down my bed and hide. But they never frightened me, until this one. Or maybe it was the sudden blackness and silence which followed it that frightened me. I don’t know. I hoped Adie and Harry weren’t out in it doing one of their practice landings.

Uncle George’s radio has gone wrong again. All you can hear is whistles and crackling. He’s really cross but he still sits there all evening trying to listen to it, banging it from time to time, but all he gets is more whistling, more crackling. Barry and I got the giggles when Barry imitated Uncle George’s grumpy face, and Mum told us off.

From *The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips* by Michael Morpurgo

1. Why was the speaker woken up at night? (1 mark)

2. *Tips used to hate thunderstorms. She’d burrow down my bed and hide.*

   (a) Quote the figure of speech used in the lines above taken from the text. (1 mark)

   (b) What type of figure of speech is it? (1 mark)

   (c) In your own words explain what the speaker is describing in this figure of speech. (2 marks)
3. What seems to have frightened the speaker most? (2 marks)

_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________

4. Quote TWO sound words used in the second paragraph. (2 marks)

a) ______________________________________

b) ______________________________________

5. What do these two sound words describe? (1 mark)

_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________

SECTION D – COMPOSITION 25 marks

Choose ONE of the following topics and write a composition of between 150 and 200 words.

1. Write a page in your diary that describes your plan for a healthier lifestyle. You may wish to write about eating healthy food, practising a sport or doing exercise.

2. A good friend of yours attends a different school. Write a letter to tell her/him about a recent activity at your school.

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3. Write an article for your school website about your favourite hobby.

4. Complete the following story:

   I woke up early because I was very excited. It was going to be a special day…