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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. 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 allow 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 the answers.

a. 3 minutes – Students read 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.
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Today we continue our series of programmes about old people who are still very much active. Our protagonist today is Jean Marriott.

After eighty years behind the wheel, Jean Marriott is not only still driving but doing it in style after buying a new car. The 94-year-old first got behind the wheel aged 15 in 1934 when the first Donald Duck film was made. Eight decades on, the mother-of-three is still going strong and has just purchased a new Nissan Micra.

In her long and distinguished driving career Mrs Marriott has managed an almost perfect record. She's chalked up just one speeding fine and has never been involved in an accident despite clocking up tens of thousands of miles. Mrs Marriott still vividly remembers the day, during a holiday in Northumberland, when her motor engineer father persuaded her to take the controls of the family's Austin 12 Tourer. “He was a keen motorist and he just wanted me to get started,” said Mrs Marriott, from Sheringham, Norfolk.

“There was a complete lack of traffic and the roads stretched in front of us. I remember feeling very excited and can still remember the registration - WW 999.” Mrs Marriott has fond memories of picnics and outings in the tourer from the family home near Skipton, North Yorks, to the Lake District and Blackpool. “My younger brother and I always had to sit in the back,” she said. “It was jolly cold with the top down and we would cower behind the cellophane screen, wrapped in rugs.”

She was 17 when she passed her driving test first time in 1936 - the year after it was introduced in the UK. But she remembers it did not go without drama. While trying to reverse up a steep hill, the clutch became very hot and she had to abandon the attempt. “It was the car's fault, not mine, so the examiner passed me.” Her one brush with the law came when she was in her 80s and was driving to Hertfordshire to visit one of her children. After a long wait in a traffic jam, she was finally able to get going but was booked and fined £60* for driving at 35mph in a 30mph limit. Nowadays she uses her car to visit her daughter in Norfolk, or to shop and see friends in nearby villages.

“I enjoy driving and I think I'm quite good at it, although I'm more cautious nowadays,” she said “I'll continue driving as long as my health will allow me to and I'm looking forward to taking my new car out for a spin.”

(* read Sixty Pound Sterling)
LISTENING COMPREHENSION

1. Put a tick (✓) in the correct column to show whether the following statements are True (T) or False (F). (3 marks)

- a. Jean acted in the first Donald Duck film.
- b. Her father encouraged her to drive the family car.
- c. She clearly remembers the first time she drove a car in London.
- d. Her brother always sat alone in the back of the family car.
- e. During her driving test she had problems with the car.
- f. She only uses the car to go shopping.

2. Fill in the missing information. (5 marks)

- a. The year when Jean first got behind the wheel/drove a car.
- b. 3
- c. Jean’s age when she passed her driving test.
- d. 80s
- e. The amount of Pound Sterling she had to pay as a traffic fine.

3. Underline the correct answer. (2 marks)

- a. Jean got a traffic fine for driving:
  - i. without a driving licence.
  - ii. too fast.
  - iii. in the middle of the road.

- b. As a driver, Jean is now:
  - i. more careful than when she was younger.
  - ii. less careful than when she was younger.
  - iii. as careful as when she was younger.
THE Toronto skyline is dominated by the iconic CN Tower, which soars towards the heavens. But look up and you'll also see dozens of cranes towering over the city. Toronto currently has more new building projects than any other city in North America —149 in fact.

In other words, the largest city in Canada is a dynamic, multicultural hub to which people are flocking in their thousands. In 2013, Toronto was named third in the world as a City of Opportunity, behind only New York and London.

It's easy to see why Toronto is so popular. Set along the banks of Lake Ontario, the smallest of the five Great Lakes, this sleek metropolis combines a modern feel with a small-town sensibility. Its centre is compact, and most of its neighbourhoods are an easy, enjoyable walk from downtown. Otherwise, the trams and metro system are reliable.

The CN Tower looms over modern downtown, where there's a quayside area dotted with restaurants and boats offering lake tours. There's a castle, a reputable art museum, and even a shoe museum.

We checked into the Fairmont Royal York in downtown Toronto, a five-star hotel that sits opposite Union Station, the main railway station. Built in 1929, the Fairmont is very grand, with opulent carved wood and lots of marble. In fact, this is where Queen Elizabeth II stays when she's in Toronto. The hotel is also on the PATH network, an underground walkway that links 17 miles of shopping, services and entertainment venues. It's a bustling underground city, and great for when the weather is harsh.

On our first evening, we headed to the entertainment district down King Street West, full of bright lights, bars, restaurants and theatres. We stopped for a pizza in the Hey Lucy bar and café, a tiny, brick-walled joint where the pizza is excellent. We liked the area so much that the next day we lunched at O&B Canteen across the road, where the airy open-plan room was bustling with diners and the food simple but superb.

The next day we found one of Toronto's coolest neighbourhoods, Kensington Market, which comprises a few quaint streets full of vintage shops, food stores, cafés and art venues. The buildings are low and some a bit run down, but the area is vibrant and buzzing.

Make sure you stop for coffee and cake at Wanda's Pie In The Sky. The counter is piled high with cakes, biscuits and all kinds of pies, as well as a heavenly concoction called
Monkey Bread - a bun made of croissant dough, nuts and gooey toffee and truly one of the best things we had ever tasted, albeit a diet-wrecker of mammoth proportions. Afterwards, we meandered around the University of Toronto campus in the heart of the city, a leafy area full of ivy-covered buildings, and headed over to Bloor-Yorkville, an area full of up-market shops and galleries and a chic place to wander, shop and drink.

The area we were most drawn to, though, was St Lawrence Market, on King Street East, a former industrial area dominated by a brick market building, now full of retail vendors. The area is characterised by architects’ offices, hip restaurants, a performance venue and great shops, and is home to a vast weekend outdoor market packed full of vintage goods. You can while away the hours choosing between old watches, lovely leather handbags and vintage clothes. Of course, a trip up the CN Tower is mandatory.

The 553 metre-high tower opened in 1976. Once the world’s tallest building, it offers a bird’s eye view of the city and Lake Ontario. We also admired the view below by standing on the tower’s glass floor - not recommended for vertigo sufferers!

Had we visited Toronto in spring or summer, we would have travelled by ferry out to the car-free islands in Lake Ontario for a bit of bike riding and picnicking. Another major attraction for Toronto tourists is Niagara Falls, only 80 miles southwest of the city and easy to get to by car or public transport.

Toronto is a vibrant place full of distinctive neighbourhoods, each with its own individual feel, and as Canada’s biggest city, which is expanding by the minute, it is a place which will continue to offer its tourists more and more appealing attractions as the years go by.
FORM 3 - ENGLISH

Name: ____________________________ Class: ____________

**MARKS**

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**Section A – LANGUAGE**

**15 MARKS**

Ex 1. Fill in the blanks with a linking word from the box. The first one (0) has been done for you. Not all linking words are to be used. (5 marks)

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Tommy and Carol Link were left speechless (0) **when** they won £3 million in the lottery. They have lots of plans. (1) ________________ they want to buy a new house, (2) ________________ they want to buy a car and (3) ________________, they want to donate some money to charity. (4) ________________ they want a new home, it has to be close to the British Legion club (5) ________________ they enjoy bingo. The couple met in Swansea in 1963 (6) ________________ got married a year later. (7) ________________ they are proud grandparents, they plan to spoil their grandchildren with lots of presents. (8) ________________ winning so much money, the couple have no plans to stop working. This surprised their neighbours (9) ________________ many thought Tommy hated working as a postman. (10) ________________, Carol had often talked about taking early retirement.

Ex 2. Fill in the blanks with a suitable preposition. You can use the same preposition more than once. The first one (0) has been done for you. (5 marks)

Food safety officials have ordered a clean-up and better food handling at one (0) **of** the world’s top restaurants (1) ________________ more than 60 people fell ill (2) ________________ viral gastroenteritis (3) ________________ eating at the two-star Michelin restaurant. The 63 infected people dined (4) ________________ the popular waterfront restaurant.
February 12 and 16, according to a food safety report based on an inspection of local restaurants. Restaurant manager Peter Kreiner apologised for the incidents and said he had appointed officials to work with the restaurant owner in order to track the source of the infection.

Ex 3. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb in brackets. The first one has been done for you. (5 marks)

Sonya Thomas is a top-ranking competitive eater. Also known as The Black Widow, she joined the International Federation of Competitive Eating in 2003. She held records in 25 eating competitions. In 2005 she ate 37 hot dogs in 12 minutes. In August of that same year, she consumed 35 bratwursts in 10 minutes, beating the previous record. However, her record was broken in 2006 by Takeru. Next month she will defend the title she won back last year. She said, “I practised hard for the event.” She takes her training very seriously. Who knows if she will make it?

Section B – READING COMPREHENSION 20 MARKS

Read the Comprehension Text Falling for Toronto which is on a separate sheet, then answer the questions below.

1. Name the two types of museums you can visit in Toronto. (1 mark)

2. Which verb in the first two paragraphs shows that many people are going to Toronto? (1 mark)

3. What do the two verbs “soars” in line 1 and “looms” in line 12 show about the CN Tower? (2 marks)
4. Which area in Toronto would you go to if you wanted to go to the theatre? (1 mark)

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5. Mention TWO things you can buy from St. Lawrence Market. (2 marks)

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6. Explain the phrase “not recommended for vertigo sufferers”. (2 marks)

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7. Explain these words as used in the passage: (4 marks)
   (a) currently – ____________________________________________
   (b) dynamic – ____________________________________________
   (c) run down – __________________________________________
   (d) meandered – _________________________________________

8. What is particular about the islands in Lake Ontario? (1 mark)

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9. State whether the following statements are TRUE or FALSE and give a reason. (4 marks)

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<td>d.</td>
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10. Using information from Paragraph 3, and using your own words, write down in point form 4 reasons why tourists would find Toronto worth visiting. (2 marks)

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Section C – LITERATURE - Answer all the sections 20 MARKS

UNPREPARED POEM: (10 marks)

Late August, given heavy rain and sun
for a full week, the blackberries would ripen.
At first, just one, a glossy purple clot
among others, red, green, hard as a knot.

You ate that first one and its flesh was sweet
like thickened wine; summer’s blood was in it
leaving stains upon the tongue and lust for
picking. Then red ones inked up and that hunger
sent us out with milk-cans, pea-tins, jam-pots

where briars scratched and wet grass bleached our boots.
Round hayfields, cornfields and potato-drills
we trekked and picked until the cans were full,
until the tinkling bottom had been covered
with green ones, and on top big dark blobs burned

like a plate of eyes. Our hands were peppered
with thorn pricks, our palms sticky as Bluebeard’s*. *A pirate famous for killing his wives
We hoarded the fresh berries in the byre*. *cowshed
But when the bath was filled we found a fur,
A rat-grey fungus, glutting on our cache*. *a hidden store

The juice was stinking too. Once off the bush
the fruit fermented, the sweet flesh would turn sour.
I always felt like crying. It wasn’t fair
that all the lovely canfuls smelt of rot.
Each year I hoped they’d keep,

but they never did.

Seamus Heaney

1. What would be a suitable title for this poem? Underline the title. (1 mark)

   (a) Bluebeard
   (b) Blackberry picking
   (c) My favourite fruit
   (d) Our orchard
2. (a) What figure of speech is found in the clause *its flesh was sweet like thickened wine* in line 5-6? (½ mark)

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(b) Explain this figure of speech. (1 ½ marks)

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3. This poem makes lots of references to the senses: the sense of sight, smell, taste and touch. Choose two senses and quote one example for each. (2 marks)

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4. Find TWO examples of contrast in the poem. (2 marks)

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5. What is the effect of the run-on-lines in this poem? (1 mark)

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6. What is the effect of the short sentence *I always felt like crying*? (2 marks)

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UNPREPARED TEXT

Read this extract taken from *Kensuke’s Kingdom* by Michael Morpurgo and answer all the questions.

A storm broke over the island that night, such a fearsome storm, such a thunderous crashing of lightning overhead, such a din of rain and wind that sleep was quite impossible. Great waves roared in from the ocean, pounding the beach and shaking the ground beneath me and huddled close. How I welcomed that.

It was fully four days before the storm blew itself out, but even during the worst of it, I would find my fish and fruit breakfast waiting for me every morning under my tin, which he had now wedged tight in under the same shelf of rock. Stella and I kept to the shelter of our cave. All we could do was watch as the rain came lashing down outside. I looked on awestruck at the power of the vast waves rolling in from the open sea, curling, tumbling and exploding as they broke on to the beach, as if they were trying to batter the island into pieces and then suck us all out to sea. I thought often of my mother and father and the *Peggy Sue*, and wondered where they were. I just hoped the typhoon – for that was what I was witnessing – had passed them by.

Then, one morning, as suddenly as the storm had begun, it stopped. The sun blazed down from a clear blue sky, and the forest symphony started up where it had left off. I ventured out. The whole island steamed and dripped. I went at once up Watch Hill to see if I could see a ship, perhaps blown off course, or maybe sheltering in the lee of the island. That was a disappointment, but at least I found my beacon had not collapsed. It was sodden, of course, but still intact. Everything was sodden. There could be no fire now until it had dried out.

Questions:

1. Find four words from paragraph 1 which show sounds. (2 marks)

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2. What contrast does the word *then* introduce in the last paragraph? (2 marks)

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3. *I ventured out.* What is the effect of this short sentence in the last paragraph? (2 marks)

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4. What is the effect of the long sentences found in this extract? (2 marks)

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5. What figure of speech is found in the phrases *fully four* and *fish and fruit*? (1 mark)

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6. The sentence *The whole island steamed and dripped* refers to which of the senses?

Underline the correct answer. (1 mark)

a. Sense of sight.
b. Sense of smell.
c. Sense of sound.
d. Sense of touch.
e. Sense of taste.

Section D – COMPOSITION 25 MARKS

Write a composition of about 250 words on ONE of the following.

1. You have joined the new youth club which opened a few months ago in your village/town. Write an email to your friend, telling him/her about this youth club and encouraging your friend to join this club.

To: abc@onvol.net
Subject: 

2. Everybody turned to look as the door opened and ... Continue the story.

3. Alexia meets her friend Thomas who has just returned to Malta after living abroad for three years. Continue the dialogue between Alexia and Thomas in which they exchange news and catch up on what they have been doing.

Alexia:  Hi Thomas! I thought you were living abroad.
Thomas: Hi Alexia. We came back to Malta about a month ago.
Alexia: 
Thomas: