# (Use of English)

#### **Time: 30 minutes**

### 29 points

### I. For tasks 1-12 choose the correct alternative.

### 1. Choose one sentence which is similar in meaning: "He likes to talk big"

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- a) He is boastful
- b) He is chatty
- c) He is sociable

# 2. Choose one verb which means "to disappoint, to fail to meet the expectations"

- a) to let out
- b) to let in
- c) to let down

# 3. Choose one phrase similar in meaning: "to make a mountain out of a molehill"

- a) to exaggerate a small problem
- b) to develop or improve
- c) to stress the importance

# 4. Choose one sentence which is similar in meaning: "Every cloud has a silver lining"

- a) You can see something hopeful in every trouble
- b) There is beauty even in plain things
- c) Every person has something to be proud of

### 5. Choose the odd word

- a) dialogue
- b) scenario
- c) screenplay

### 6. Choose the odd word

- a) violence
- b) cruelty
- c) aggressive

# 7. Choose the odd word

- a) celebrity
- b) famous
- c) well-known

### 8. Choose one word similar in meaning to the word "solution"

- a) puzzle
- b) progress
- c) answer

### 9. Choose the wrong statement: Your dog has a serious injury, so...

- a) You should take it to the vet.
- b) You are supposed to take it to the vet.
- c) You ought to take it to the vet.

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10. Choose the right modal verb: "You ...... shout. I can hear you perfectly well.

- a) mustn't
- b) needn't
- c) shouldn't

# 11. Choose one phrase to complete the sentence: "It has been two years..."

- a) since we bought the house
- b) that we bought the house
- c) when we bought the house

# 12. Choose the right sentence

- a) He looked very confidently in his new black suit.
- b) He looked confident at his opponent.
- c) His looked confident when he entered the office.

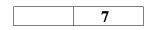
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II. For items 13-19 read part of the text "30 of the brightest tech innovations from the UK" below and use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line.

### **ESP** Group

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different to shellfish, and that's thanks to one	14. SLIP
UK company. ESP Group is the big name behind the way the 8.5 million London residents and	15. INNOVATE
commuters make their way around. In fact, beyond	16. COUNT
the Oyster card system, ESP Group are involved in travel at every juncture –	<b>17. REVOLUTION</b>
information, customer support,, ticketing,	18. ASSIST
, booking, feedback, social media and delay repay – they're behind it all	19. PAY

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# III. Complete the crossword below.

ACROSS	DOWN
<ul> <li>4. My younger brother can be really and he often gets into trouble</li> <li>5. Ben is really serious and doesn't think he has a (3 words)</li> <li>7. I didn't have enough money to pay for the meal! It was really</li> <li>9. The Petersons moved house because living on the main road was very</li> <li>10. You gave Jane a dozen roses on her birthday? Oh, that's so !</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>I passed my exam! Let's go out and</li> <li>I'm trying to work, and that loud music is beginning to me!</li> <li>Harry isn't very good at volleyball, but he's really He puts a lot of energy into it.</li> <li>You look with that hat on. Take it off!</li> <li>Jack is quite confident now, but he used to be really and didn't like meeting new people.</li> </ol>

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(Writing)

Time: 60 minutes

20 points

Creative Writing Write your own version using the beginning of the story. You should write about 180 - 200 words.

It was a dark and stormy Halloween night and Sal and Jess her best friend were at Sal's house for the night to watch movies. Knock, Knock, Knock, "Sal, someone's at the door do you want me to answer it?", Jess yelled to Sal who was upstairs doing her hair in the bathroom. "Yeah, Cool Jess it's probably just some more annoying trick or treaters anyway", replied Sal. Jess got up off the couch and approached the door making sure to peer through the peephole to see who it was. All she could make out were two small dark figures so she guessed they were trick or treaters......

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(Reading)

# Time: 20 minutes

# 10 points

# I. For items 1-3 read the text and choose the correct answer.

One bright sunny morning, Alison was playing in front of her house when she saw a truck loaded with furniture drive slowly down the street. "Please stop next door," Alison said to herself. She crossed her fingers. There was a loud crashing "bang", and the truck stopped. Alison crawled under the hedge, her favorite hideout. Hours seemed to creep by while she played with her paints and watched the moving men unload the truck. At last Alison saw a bicycle. There must be someone for me to play with, she thought.

# 1. What was Alison hoping for?

- a) a bicycle
- b) a friend
- c) an adventure
- d) new furniture

# 2. Where did Alison like to hide?

- a) under the hedge
- b) across the street
- c) in the truck
- d) next door

# **3.** What happened when the truck stopped?

- a) Alison's paints spilled
- b) Alison crossed her fingers
- c) Alison ran away
- d) the truck made a loud noise

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# II. For items 4-10 read the paragraphs below and put them in the order in which they occur in the text "6 Inventions Changing British People's Lives In 2017".

### These custom-made products that show one size doesn't have to fit all

- **4.** Users wear a headband with a sensor on the back, and another sensor on their arm. To move the chair forwards you dip your head, and to turn you rotate your arm. "It has given the students who can access it a different way of moving and changes how they control travelling and turning in dance," Gardiner tells BuzzFeed News.
- **5.** David Martin, network development manager at Remap, says the charity, which has only three full-time staff and relies on an extensive network of volunteers, helps a huge variety of people.
- 6. National Star, a specialist further education college in Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, recently worked with Remap volunteers to create headsets that would allow students to take part in wheelchair dance classes without having to use a joystick to control the chair's movement. Dance tutor Sarah Gardiner had seen a dancing wheelchair in the US, but wasn't aware of anything similar in the UK so she got in touch with local Remap volunteers, and they found a way to make it happen.
- 7. When it comes to products to help people live their lives, one size or solution doesn't always fit all. That's where charity Remap comes in. It brings together people who need a specific piece of equipment that doesn't already exist with volunteer makers and engineers who've got the practical skills to make it.
- **8.** "It's an example of a really British charity where people are quietly getting on really making a difference to people's lives," he says.
- **9.** Remap volunteers were able to make her a wrist support for the piano that moves with her hands. It's a simple fix that's made a huge difference. "I am so very grateful to be able to play and accompany," she says.
- **10.** Brown has played piano since she was 5 years old and now teaches singing, accompanying her students on piano. But when breast cancer treatments over the last 20 years left her with limited movement in her left arm, she had to stop. "I have no use of my biceps, which means I cannot hold things, eat properly with a knife and fork, and many other necessary movements," she tells BuzzFeed News. "I still have the use of my fingers, but when I lay my hand on the piano keys, it just collapses."

Answer: \_\_\_

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# (Listening)

# 6 points

You are going to listen to an automated telephone message for a sightseeing tour of New York. You must listen to the recording and spot any differences between the advert and the information you hear on the recording. There are six differences between the advert and the information on the recording.

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# (Listening)

### Tapescript

#### LISTENING COMPREHENTION

#### **1.** You are going to listen to the text which lasts **1**,**2** minutes.

- $\checkmark$  Before listening you will be given 1 minute to look through the tasks.
- $\checkmark$  Then you will listen to the information for the first time.
- $\checkmark$  After that you will be given 2 minutes to start doing the task.
- $\checkmark$  Then you will listen to the information for the second time.
- $\checkmark$  After that you'll be given 3 minutes to finish doing the task.

#### 2. Read the task and study the advert. You have 1 minute.

#### Pause 1 minute.

#### 3. Listen to the text.

Voice: Welcome to New York City Tours. This is an automated announcement. See all of Manhattan from the comfort of a double-decker bus. There are over forty stops, so you can hop on and off all day! Enjoy an interesting and fact-filled recorded narration as you travel through the most famous uptown and downtown neighbourhoods from Times Square and Central Park to Greenwich Village, St Patrick's Cathedral and many more. Come and explore this wonderful city with New York City Tours. Please note, tours are in English only and start every hour from Times Square. \$75 per abult, \$50 for children under sixteen. For just \$20 extra you can also choose an optional harbor cruise to see the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. Tickets are valid for 24 hours. Press 1 to book now. Press 2 to hear this message again. Press 3 to ...

### 4. Start doing the tasks. You have 2 minutes.

Pause 2 minutes.

5. Listen to the information for the second time.

Second listening.

6. You have 3 minutes to finish doing the tasks.

Pause 2 minutes.

7. You have 1 minute left to fulfill the tasks. Transfer all your answers to your answer sheet.

Pause 1 minute.

8. Time is over. Put aside your pens.