

CLASS B' LYCEUM
SAMPLE PAPER
Time allowed: 2 hours and 15 minutes

PART I: LISTENING (30 MARKS)

TASK 1: Questions 1–10

(10x1=10 marks)

You will hear three short recordings. Answer each question on the line provided. Write no more than three words for each answer. You will hear each recording twice.

Conversation 1



1. What kind of movie did the man recently watch?

2. How does the man feel about hot weather?

3. What is the man's favourite hobby?

Conversation 2



4. What is Steve doing?

5. How was Steve feeling?

6. Who is Steve having dinner with today?

7. What will the weather be like tomorrow?

Conversation 3



8. Where did Mark work over the summer?

9. When did Stacey withdraw from two of her classes?

10. How many credits did Stacey need to make over the summer?

Sources: <https://www.talkenglish.com/audio871/audiote1/140/practice/140p1.mp3>
<https://www.talkenglish.com/audio871/audiote1/140/practice/140p2.mp3>
<https://www.talkenglish.com/audio871/audiote1/147/practice/147p5.mp3>

TASK 2

(5x2=10 marks)

You will hear five people sharing their feelings about TV. For each of Speakers 1-5, choose from the list, A-F, which opinion each speaker expresses. Write the letter in the box. Use each letter once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

Speaker 1

Speaker 2

Speaker 3

Speaker 4

Speaker 5

A. In my country violent films never play on Kids' zone TV.

B. At university, I learnt about a country where the crime rate is low despite the violence on TV.

C. TV can be educational for children.

D. In my country violent films never play on primetime TV.

E. Watching TV can be habit-forming.

F. Television is beneficial because it offers employment opportunities to many people.



Source: <https://www.ello.org/english/Mixer001/TO24-TV.htm>

TASK 3

(10x1=10 marks)

You will hear part of a recorded guided tour given to people visiting Burton Safari Park.

BURTON SAFARI PARK

General Information

- One of Europe's 1. _____ safari parks
- Home to wild animals from all over the world

Safety Information

- Always stay in your car
- In emergencies use your horn and 2. _____
- Always stop on the 3. _____ side of the road
- Never 4. _____ the animals

Most interesting animals: White rhinos

General Information

- Country of origin: 5. _____
- They get their name from their wide 6. _____
- White rhinos are in danger of becoming extinct
- Poachers 7. _____ rhinos for their horns

Burton's oldest animals

- two female rhinos

Rhino abilities

- Excellent hearing
- Poor 8. _____

Daily habits

- Eating
- 9. _____
- Taking mud baths

Diet

- grass
- 10. _____



PART II: READING AND WRITING (70 MARKS)

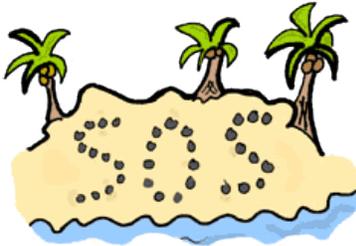
TASK 1: Questions 1-5

(5x1=5 marks)

Read the text and questions below. For each question, choose the correct answer A, B, C or D.

Passage 1

MISSING SAILORS SAVED BY GIANT SOS IN THE SAND



Three Micronesian sailors stranded on an isolated, uninhabited Pacific island have been found alive and well after a rescue team spotted their giant SOS message written into the sand on a beach. In modern terminology, SOS is a distress call that is used to signal a life-threatening situation. The distress call always has absolute priority over all other transmissions.

Australian and US military aircraft found the three men on tiny Pikelot Island, nearly 200km west of where they had set off. Rescuers said they were “in good condition” with no significant injuries. The men had been missing for three days after their seven-metre boat ran out of fuel and strayed in the wrong direction. Authorities in the US territory of Guam raised the alarm on Saturday after the men failed to complete a 42km trip from Poluwat to Pulap atolls, which are ring-shaped islands formed by coral. Australia’s HMAS Canberra was sailing between Australia and Hawaii when it received the call for help.

On Sunday, a helicopter from the Canberra spotted the giant SOS, close to a small makeshift shelter on the beach, and it landed on the tiny island to check the men’s condition and give them food and water. Photos from the scene reveal the men may have used palm leaves to ensure the SOS was visible from the air. An Australian military helicopter later landed on shore with food and water. All three men were in good condition and a Micronesian patrol vessel picked them up.

“I am proud of the response and professionalism of all on board as we fulfil our obligation to contribute to the safety of life at sea wherever we are in the world,” Canberra’s commanding officer Captain Terry Morrison said.

A Micronesian patrol vessel is sailing to the island to pick up the men. The Federated States of Micronesia, in the western Pacific, consist of more than 600 small islands scattered over a massive expanse of ocean. Uninhabited Pikelot Island, less than half a kilometre long, is a low coral atoll, heavily forested and home to a seabird rookery and turtle nesting site.

In October 2016, a couple stranded on the uninhabited Micronesian island of East Fayu for a week were found by the US navy after writing a big SOS in the sand. Later that year,

three men whose boat was overturned in Micronesian waters swam two miles to reach a tiny island, from which they were rescued by the U.S. Coast Guard after writing “HELP” in the sand.

Adapted from: <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/aug/04/missing-sailors-stranded-on-pacific-island-saved-by-giant-sos-in-the-sand>

1. The three sailors were stuck on a ____ island.

- A. remote
- B. sparsely populated
- C. neighbouring
- D. frequently visited

2. The sailors ____.

- A. experienced engine failure and their boat capsized
- B. had no more fuel and drifted off course
- C. paddled to a remote island after a problem they faced
- D. sailed off course and lost all sense of direction

3. The sailors were rescued ____.

- A. when a helicopter on a routine flight spotted them
- B. because they failed to reach their destination
- C. after officials warned of a dangerous situation
- D. while they were sailing between Australia and Hawaii

4. Writing SOS messages in the sand has ____.

- A. helped tourists in distress scores of times before
- B. meant castaway messages are now given top priority
- C. made no difference to the rescue operation
- D. proved helpful to stranded travellers in the past

5. The author’s purpose is to ____.

- A. entertain
- B. inform
- C. describe
- D. criticise

TASK 2: Questions 6-10

(5x1=5 marks)

Passage 2

Read the restaurant guide about three restaurants in Cyprus (A-C). Then answer Questions 6-10.

A.

	<p><i>Maroush</i></p>
<p>Maroush is an award-winning family-run restaurant on Thalassa Avenue in the centre of town. This awesome place is a chain restaurant which serves Lebanese-style shawarma (meat sliced from a rotating spit), stuffed with all the salad and sauces you could want, plus falafel and haloumi sandwiches. It's all cheap, filling and tasty. Ingredients are always fresh and regionally sourced. The quality of cooking can always be relied on, but standards of service vary according to the location.</p>	

B.

	<p><i>Les Amis</i></p>
<p>Les Amis is a welcome new addition to Nicosia city centre. The menu at this friendly restaurant features traditional French dishes prepared in a new way and chef Allen Dupont adds an “edgy” taste to old favourites. The small menu focuses on fresh, seasonal produce, and so changes throughout the year, but expect meaty choices such as duck and chicken pâté for starters and juicy, falling-off-the-bone lamb and beef for main. Save room for dessert because sweets are out of this world here.</p>	

C.

	<p><i>Piatsa Syrtaki</i></p>
<p>Amazingly popular, and for a good reason: Visiting this seaside, modern-style restaurant is like travelling with your imagination. Dining here gives visitors the impression they are on an amazing Greek island. Visit this awesome restaurant and try mouthwatering Greek dishes prepared with the freshest ingredients. Choose from the long list of tasty meze, from <i>bouyiourdi</i> (oven-baked feta and vegetables) to <i>tyrokafteri</i> (spicy cheese dip) and chicken kebab. There's a no-reservations policy, so get here early or expect to wait for a table. Eating here might cost an arm and a leg, but it is absolutely worth it!</p>	

The questions below are about the three restaurants (A-C) mentioned in the restaurant guide.

For each question write the correct letter A, B or C on the line.

Which restaurant...	
6. is extremely well-liked?	___
7. is one of many owned by the same company?	___
8. is ideal for those with a sweet tooth?	___
9. received a prize in honour of their culinary achievements?	___
10. does not require customers to book a table?	___

Passage 3

(10 marks)

TASK 3: Questions 11-16

Read the article and answer the following questions.

GIRL CYCLES 745 MILES HOME WITH DISABLED FATHER ON BIKE



From her village in east India, 15-year-old Jyoti Kumari reflected on her desperate 745-mile cycle home with her disabled father, a journey that has drawn international praise.

Kumari said that she and her father might have starved if they had stayed in Gurugram, a suburb of New Delhi, with no income amid India’s coronavirus lockdown. Her father, the family’s breadwinner, unable to walk after an accident, had earned a living by driving an auto rickshaw. But with all nonessential travel banned, he found himself among the millions of newly unemployed people. Their landlord demanded rent, which they could not pay, and threatened to evict them, Kumari said. Kumari’s mother and brother-in-law, had left the capital region after the lockdown was imposed on 25 March while Kumari stayed behind to look after her disabled father.

India’s expansive railway system, the country’s lifeline, was closed for passenger services as part of the lockdown. Buses, planes and taxis were also grounded. Being in dire straits, she decided to buy a bicycle and make her way home, which was almost 750 miles away. Kumari pedalled for 10 long days, her father riding on the back of the bike. The

temperature climbed, she was exhausted, and they survived on food and water given by strangers.

“It was a difficult journey,” she said. “The weather was too hot, we had no food or water and I was dead tired. We had no choice, though. I had only one aim in my mind, and that was to reach home.”

For India’s economy, mostly composed of informal-sector jobs, the lockdown has been a devastating blow. The government has been easing restrictions in recent weeks to allow more people to return to work.

Kumari’s journey caught the attention of the Cycling Federation of India. The racing body, which sends teams to the Olympics, has offered to bring her back to New Delhi to train for a “tryout” next month.

Kumari said that while she was happy with the recognition, she had not cycled her father home in pursuit of fame. “It was a decision taken in desperation,” she said.

Adapted from: <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/may/24/fifteen-year-old-in-india-cycles-745-miles-home-with-disabled-father-on-bike>

11. How do people around the world feel about Kumari’s journey?
_____ (1)

12. Why did Kumari decide to make the long journey to her village by bike?
_____ (1)

13. What challenges did Kumari and her father have to face on their long ride home?
Give three (3) details.

_____ (3)

14. How has the lockdown impacted India’s economy?
_____ (1)

15. How may Kumari's desperate journey prove to be to her advantage?

_____ (1)

16. What does the article tell us about Kumari's character? Give three (3) details.

_____ (3)

Passage 4

(15 marks)

TASK 4: Question 17

Read the following article about video games.

Write a summary about the negative effects of video games on children.

Your summary should be about 100 words long (and no more than 120 words long).

You should use your own words as far as possible.

ARE VIDEO GAMES BAD FOR ME?



Lots of kids love video games. In fact, they like them so much that they might hear something like this from mom or dad: "Enough! Find something else to do!"

It can be good advice, even if you were about to get to the next level. Why? Too much of anything is just too much. It's true that some studies have shown certain video games can improve hand-eye coordination, problem-solving skills, and the mind's ability to process information. But too much video game playing may cause problems.

It's hard to get enough active play and exercise if you're always inside playing video games. And without enough exercise, kids can become overweight. Overdoing video games could also affect other important stuff, like friendships and how well a kid does at school. Besides, kids who play violent video games might act more aggressively and learn the wrong values. Worse still, video games can blur the line between fantasy and reality making it hard for children to deal with real life situations. A study has also shown that playing video games can be addictive and leads to depression and anxiety.

But here's the good news: Playing video games some of the time can be OK. Choose quality games, and limit screen time - which includes TV, computer, smartphone, tablet, and video game time combined - to a reasonable amount.

A good game will be the right one for how old you are. Games are rated like movies and your mom or dad can help figure out which ones you should use. If you can choose one that gets you up and moving, that's even better.

You might challenge your mom, dad - or even your grandma - to swing the bat in a game of baseball or try out some fancy moves in one of the dancing games. Could your grandma be a dancing queen? Time to find out!

Source: <https://kidshealth.org/HumanaKentucky/en/kids/video-gaming.html?WT.ac=p-ra>

TASK 5: Question 18

You keep a personal blog.

You have received the following question from a friend.

(15 marks)



I'm thinking of visiting your town next week.
Can you suggest places and interesting things to do there?

Write a reply using 150-200 words.

TASK 6: Question 19

(20 marks)

An English Language Magazine is asking for articles in response to the following statement.

Increase in mobile phone use in recent years has changed the way we live, communicate and do business.

Your English teacher has asked you to write an article for the magazine saying how far you agree or disagree.

Here are two comments from other students in your class:



Your article should be about 150 and 200 words long.