Native English Academy

Practice Test

Reading and Use of English

Part I

1 C 2 B 3 D 4 B 5 A 6 C 7 A 8 D

Part 2

9 Not 10 Yet/But 11 in/during 12 more 13 all 14 would 15 of 16 on

Part 3

17 provision 18 maintenance 19 distribution

20 negotiations 21 collaboratively 22 participants

23 effectiveness 24 prestigious

Part 4

25 threw herself into her new role

26 the aid of

27 put him in the picture

28 the event of (it) being postponed/the event of a postponing/ postponement/the event that it is postponed

29 under no circumstances should they

30 were the chances of (her) winning/the chances were of (her) winning/her chances were of winning

Part 5

31 B 32 D 33 C 34 B 35 A 36 D

Part 6

37 D 38 A 39 C 40 A

Part 7

41 E 42 C 43 G 44 A 45 F 46 B

Part 8

47 D 48 A 49 B 50 D 51 A 52 D 53 C 54 B 55 A 56 C

Listening

Part I

1 B 2 B 3 C 4 B 5 A 6 C

Part 2

7 wildlife capture 8 bottle(-)feeding 9 enclosures
10 rating system 11 sleeping patterns 12 (wooden) huts / accommodation 13 chemistry 14 veterinary medicine

Part 3

15 C 16 C 17 A 18 C 19 D 20 B

Part 4

Task 1

21 E 22 B 23 H 24 G 25 D

Task 2

26 E 27 H 28 C 29 D 30 F

Writing

Part I: Essay

Model answer

A country's government should definitely play an active role in keeping its citizens healthy. Otherwise, it may cost them more in the long run as they will have to deal with increased levels of illness among the population.

One action the government can take is to educate the public better about the dangers of sugar and junk food. This could easily be achieved by using effective advertising campaigns in the various media. They should also promote the benefits of exercise for all children and adults. If people are more knowledgeable about the benefits of being physically fit, they're more likely to engage in exercise at least a few times a week. Such educational campaigns have been very successful in other countries, so perhaps it's time

our government took a similar approach. The government could also control people's diets better by introducing taxes on food items like sugary drinks or junk food. If the prices increase, this should mean that fewer people would buy them. Currently, many people opt for snacks which are high in fat and sugar content because they don't cost very much. The cost of fruit and vegetables needs to be lower and unhealthy food should be less appealing to people on low budgets.

Personally, I believe that regulating the cost of food would be the most effective approach to take. I've seen the results of increased taxes on unhealthy food in other countries, where sales dropped significantly. This is what our government needs to do as soon as possible for the sake of our country's citizens.

Part 2

2: Review

Model answer

The one modern-day gadget that I couldn't live without is my mobile phone. The phone I'm currently using is an iPhone 8, which I've had for just over six months now.

I find the phone useful in so many ways. Firstly, I use it for phone calls obviously, to keep in touch with family and friends. Not only can I get in touch with people whenever I need to, but they can also contact me 24/7. This is especially useful in the case of an emergency. I also use my phone for receiving and replying to emails when I'm on the go. I run a business, so it's really important that I reply to my clients as quickly as possible. It's also useful to be able to use search engines to find any information I need, whether for the purposes of work or entertainment.

Many people use apps nowadays, and I'm no different. At the moment, I have at least thirty apps on my phone, ranging from things like an app to track calories to a music shop app to an app which monitors traffic on the roads around where I live. These apps help me manage so many aspects of my everyday life that I can't imagine doing without them.

All in all, I consider my smartphone to be part of me now and I need to have it within arm's reach at all times. And I guess I'm not alone in that!

3: Report

Model answer

Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide general feedback on this year's Cambridge Music Festival, which took place on August 10. The report will also make some recommendations for next year's festival.

Parking facilities

The general feeling is that the parking facilities for this year's festival were inadequate. Visitors complained about the queues to enter and exit the car park and also about the

potholes in the ground there. Comments were also made about the low number of parking marshals on hand to give people directions.

Variety and quality of food

The usual types of food stalls were available: burgers, pizza, etc., but long queues at each stall meant that some people decided to walk away rather than waste time queuing.

Position of the stage

The stage this year was in the northwest of the field and this seems to have been a popular decision with most festival goers.

Recommendations for next year's music festival

I strongly recommend that multiple car parks are used for next year's festival, and that these sites are carefully chosen to prevent damage to people's cars. I also recommend significantly increasing the number of marshals to direct traffic on the day. A final recommendation is to increase the number of food stalls within the festival grounds. As well as having more of the usual fast food, we could consider inviting some luxury food stalls too and therefore cater for all types of festival goer. As the weather is usually hot in August, we could have more drink and ice-cream sellers across the grounds.

4: Email

Model answer

Hi Alex!

Thanks for your email. Wow! What an opportunity! I think you should definitely accept their offer and move here for a year. It would be so great to have you here for all that time instead of just your usual two-week holiday.

Life in England's pretty good actually and, if you're based in London, which I imagine you will be, then it doesn't get any better. London's an amazing city. It's really cosmopolitan, and you'll see people of all nationalities here. That means there's also a great variety of exotic food to try. Life in the cities, like anywhere, is fast paced, but things are a little slower out in the countryside. And basically people everywhere are friendly and polite.

In terms of things to do here, you're spoilt for choice. London's a very cultural city: there are lots of museums, galleries and theatres and there's always some event or other happening. I know you love going to markets, and there are all sorts here from farmer's food markets to antique markets to markets selling quirky clothes. Of course there are plenty of coffee shops and restaurants everywhere too – eating out's a thing now! And if you fancy getting away from the hustle and bustle of urban life, the beautiful English countryside's only a short drive away. You can also get to the coast within an hour. Here you can pretty much do any sport or activity that you like – no problem there.

Anyway, write soon and let me know what you decide. I can't wait to hear!