



**English  
Language  
Examinations**

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LANGUAGE ATTAINMENT ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

**LEVEL PRE-A1**

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HERE ARE YOUR INSTRUCTIONS:

- Be sure you have written your name at the top of this page.
- Do not open this booklet until the exam starts.
- Read all instructions carefully.
- Answer all 40 questions.
- Give only ONE answer for each question.
- Mark all your answers, in 2H or HB pencil, on the computerised Answer Sheet (Pre-A1).
- Time allowed: **1 hour**.

**Task A: numbers 1 to 6**

**Match: In the bathroom!**

Look at the pictures of things in the bathroom.

Match a picture with each statement.

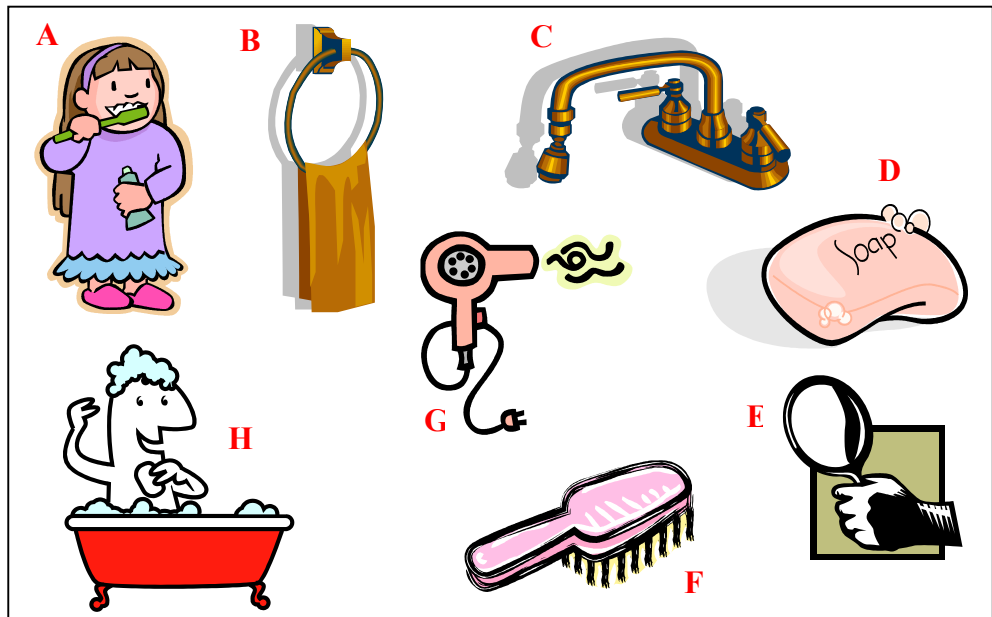
Mark its letter, A-H, on your Answer Sheet.

You will use only six of the letters.

**Example:** This bar of soap smells lovely!

The correct answer is D.   A   B   C   D   E   F   G   H

- 1 My dad's having a bath at the moment.
- 2 You can dry your hands with this towel.
- 3 There are two taps: one for hot water and one for cold water.
- 4 My mum bought me a new hairbrush yesterday – it's pink!
- 5 Tina cleans her teeth twice a day.
- 6 If you want to dry your hair, use this hairdryer.



**Task B: numbers 7 to 12**

**Choose the right word: Travelling!**

Choose the correct word to fill each gap.

Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.

**Example:** Can Georgia \_\_\_\_\_ a car?

**A** fly      **B** ride      **C** drive



The correct answer is **C**.    **A**    **B**    **C**    **D**    **E**    **F**    **G**    **H**

7 Was your plane \_\_\_\_\_ cheap or expensive?

**A** paper      **B** letter      **C** ticket

8 There's a car \_\_\_\_\_ near the cinema.

**A** stop      **B** park      **C** station

9 Are we going to walk or \_\_\_\_\_ a taxi?

**A** get      **B** make      **C** do

10 There's a bus \_\_\_\_\_ very near my house.

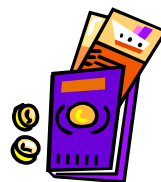
**A** shop      **B** stop      **C** street

11 I'll meet you at the train \_\_\_\_\_ at ten o'clock.

**A** station      **B** house      **C** park

12 Do you \_\_\_\_\_ your bike to school every day?

**A** ride      **B** drive      **C** fly



Task C: numbers 13 to 20
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### Choose the right word: Magic!

Read this text about a party.

Choose the correct word to fill each gap in the text.

Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.

**Example:** Last week, we   (EXAMPLE)   a Christmas party at school.

A have    B having    C had

The correct answer is C.    A    B    C    D    E    F    G    H

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Last week, we   (EXAMPLE)   a Christmas party at school. It   (13)   great fun! There was lots of food, and singing and dancing. But the best thing was when Mr Carter   (14)   a magic show!

Mr Carter is   (15)   history teacher, but his hobby is doing magic tricks. He's very good, and very funny! He   (16)   a red Christmas hat and a black suit. He did lots of tricks. For   (17)   final trick, he got a big black hat. We all looked in the hat, and it was empty – there was nothing in   (18)   at all. Then, he said a strange word: 'Abracadabra!' and put his hand into the hat. He pulled out   (19)   enormous rabbit! It wasn't a real rabbit, of course. It was a toy. I   (20)   know how he did that trick. It was very clever!

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|----|---------|-----------|--------|
| 13 | A is    | B was     | C were |
| 14 | A does  | B doing   | C did  |
| 15 | A we    | B our     | C us   |
| 16 | A wear  | B wearing | C wore |
| 17 | A he    | B him     | C his  |
| 18 | A it    | B the     | C hat  |
| 19 | A a     | B an      | C some |
| 20 | A don't | B doesn't | C not  |



Task D: numbers 21 to 25

### Find the mistake: Paris!

Maria is doing a project at school about cities.  
She is telling her class about Paris.  
Read what Maria says.



There is one mistake in each of the sentences below.  
Find the mistake and mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.

**Example:** Paris is a city and it's the capital off France.

A                      B                      C

The mistake is C.    A   B   C   D   E   F   G   H

21 Paris is the biggest city on France.

A                      B                      C

22 12 million peoples live and work in Paris.

A                      B                      C

23 Paris has a big river, calling the River Seine.

A                      B                      C

24 There are lot of interesting places to visit in Paris.

A                      B                                      C

25 The Eiffel Tower are probably the most famous building in Paris.

A                                      B                                      C



**Task E: numbers 26 to 30**

**Complete the dialogue: Mamma Mia!**

Adonis and Katerina are talking about a film.  
Look at Katerina's questions.

Choose the correct reply to fill each gap in the dialogue.  
Mark its letter, A-G, on your Answer Sheet.  
You will use only five of the letters.

**Example:**

**Katerina:** Have you seen the film 'Mamma Mia'?

**Adonis:** Yes, I have. Have you?



The answer is G.   **A   B   C   D   E   F   G   H**

**Katerina:** Have you seen the film 'Mamma Mia'?

**Adonis:** (EXAMPLE)

**Katerina:** No, I haven't. Do you think I'll like it?

**Adonis:** (26)

**Katerina:** Really? Why?

**Adonis:** (27)

**Katerina:** Great! I love funny films! What about the music? Is that good?

**Adonis:** (28)

**Katerina:** Who's in the film?

**Adonis:** (29)

**Katerina:** Where did they make the film?

**Adonis:** (30)

**Katerina:** I really want to see it! It sounds great!



**A** Because it's very funny!

**B** I think you'll love it!

**C** Yes, there are lots of fantastic songs.

**D** They filmed some of it on Skopelos and Skiathos!

**E** A lot of famous people, like Meryl Streep.

**F** No, they live on an island in Greece.

**G** Yes, I have. Have you?

Task F: numbers 31 to 35
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## Fill the gaps: Ice skating!

Read the text about Sophia and look at the picture.

Choose the correct word or phrase to fill each gap in the sentences below.

Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.

**Example:** Sophia is \_\_\_\_\_ years old.

**A** two

**B** twelve

**C** twenty

The answer is **B**.    **A**   **B**   **C**   **D**   **E**   **F**   **G**   **H**

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### My favourite sport: Ice skating

by Sophia Karanastasi, aged 12

Have you ever been ice skating? It's a great sport, and lots of fun! I started ice skating two years ago, when an ice rink opened in my town.

When I started, I didn't find it easy. I went very slowly and I often fell down! Luckily, I didn't hurt myself – and I never thought it was boring! Each time I went to the rink, I got a little better. I skated faster and faster, and didn't fall over so much. Soon, I was a good skater.

I sometimes go ice skating with my friends, and sometimes I go with my family. In the photo, you can see my mum and my little brother, Theo. They love ice skating too!

Skates are the special shoes you wear when you go ice skating. I haven't got my own skates yet, but I hope my parents will give me some skates for Christmas!



- 31 Sophia was \_\_\_\_\_ years old when she started skating.  
**A** two                      **B** ten                      **C** twelve
- 32 When she started, Sophia thought ice skating was \_\_\_\_\_.  
**A** difficult                      **B** easy                      **C** boring
- 33 Sophia goes skating \_\_\_\_\_.  
**A** only with her family   **B** only with her friends   **C** with both family and friends
- 34 The person on the right in the photo is \_\_\_\_\_.  
**A** Sophia                      **B** Sophia's mother                      **C** Sophia's best friend
- 35 Sophia \_\_\_\_\_ her own skates.  
**A** doesn't have                      **B** has                      **C** will never have

Task G: numbers 36 to 40
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## What do you say?: At school!

Here are some things we say when we are at school.

For each situation, choose what you say when it happens.

Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.

**Example:** Your teacher asks: "Is this your bag?" What do you say?

A "No, it is."

B "Yes, it is."

C "Yes, it isn't."

The answer is B.    **A   B   C   D   E   F   G   H**

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36 You ask your friend for a pen. What do you say?

A "Are you getting a pen?"

B "Have you got a pen?"

C "Do you get a pen?"



37 Your teacher says: "Who knows the answer?" What do you say?

A "I am!"

B "I can!"

C "I do!"



38 You don't know what the English word 'dog' means. What do you say?

A "What means 'dog'?"

B "What 'dog' means?"

C "What does 'dog' mean?"



39 Your friend asks: "What's the next lesson?" What do you say?

A "It's geography next."

B "The geography lesson's on Monday."

C "Geography is a lesson."



40 It's time to go home. What do you say to your friend when you leave?

A "Hi! See you tomorrow morning!"

B "Bye! See you tomorrow morning!"

C "Hello! See you tomorrow morning!"





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