

## Exam Practice Test 2

### Listening Part 1

#### Questions 1-5

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Complete the notes below.

Write **NO MORE THAN ONE WORD** for each answer.

New Apartment	
<i>Example</i>	<i>Answer</i>
Landlady's Name:	Mary Jones
<b>General</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>partly furnished</li><li>no <b>1</b> ..... are allowed</li></ul>	
<b>Kitchen</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>nice and big</li><li>there is a new <b>2</b> .....</li></ul>	
<b>Lounge</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>some <b>3</b> ..... will be built soon</li></ul>	
<b>Bedroom</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>good clothes storage</li><li>need to bring a <b>4</b> .....</li></ul>	
<b>Bathroom</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>only a shower</li><li>the water is heated by <b>5</b> .....</li></ul>	

#### Questions 6-10

Complete the form below.

Write **ONE WORD AND/OR A NUMBER** for each answer.

Tenancy Form	
<b>Tenant details</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Full name: Andrew <b>6</b> .....</li><li>Best contact: <b>7</b> andrew171@..... .com</li><li>Driver's licence: <b>8</b> .....</li></ul>	
<b>Tenancy details</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Moving-in date: <b>9</b>.....</li><li>Rent per week: \$315</li><li>Bond paid: <b>10</b> \$.....</li></ul>	

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## LISTENING PART 1

## Training

## Review

- 1 Two, usually one female and one male.
- 2 No, not necessarily. There may be one or two tasks, with 10 questions in total.
- 3 You listen for specific information, e.g. dates, prices, everyday objects, locations, names, etc.
- 4 Yes – do NOT change the part of speech, singular/plural, etc.
- 6 Yes – you must spell the answers correctly.

## Useful strategy: deciding what kind of information to write in the spaces

no kitchen but a kettle and **2** ..... for making drinks and snacks

So, there is not a full kitchen. But there are smaller appliances, such as a kettle. The missing information is used in the preparation of drinks and snacks.

Possible answers: microwave, toaster, cups, plates, cutlery, etc.

kitchen with a fridge and **3** .....

So, this item is found in a kitchen. The answer is likely to be a larger kitchen item similar to a fridge.

Possible answers: stove, dishwasher, sink, etc.

bring your own **4** .....

So, this is something that is sometimes provided at accommodation, but which guests may need to supply themselves in budget accommodation.

Possible answers: sheets, blankets, towels, pillows, etc.

a **5** ..... for guests under 12

This item is only for guests under 12, so not something necessarily suitable for adults.

Possible answers: playground, trampoline, pool, etc.

**2**

- 1 mountains** ‘view’ in the question = ‘look out over’ and ‘directly facing’ in the conversation.

*Distraction* The woman asks whether the rooms look out over the lake, but the receptionist says the rooms look out in the other direction.

- 2 microwave** ‘making’ drinks and snacks in the question = ‘prepare’ any snacks in the conversation.

*No distraction*

- 3 dishwasher** The woman asks if there is a dishwasher and the receptionist confirms that there is one.

*No distraction*

- 4 towels** ‘need to bring’ in the question = ‘required to supply’ in the conversation.

*Distraction* The receptionist mentions ‘electric blankets’, but these are provided.

- 5 playground**

*Distraction* The receptionist says the trampoline is not available at the moment.

## Useful vocabulary: accommodation registration forms

- 1 Title
- 2 Surname
- 3 Departure Date
- 4 Room No.
- 5 Expiry Date
- 6 Home Address
- 7 Street
- 8 Post Code
- 9 Country
- 10 Date and Place of Birth
- 11 Nationality
- 12 Date of Issue

## Exam Practice

## Action plan reminder

## Table, note and form completion

- 1 The instructions tell you.
- 2 Yes, you are given time to study each task before you hear the recording.
- 3 What kind of information you are listening for, e.g., a kitchen appliance, something in the bedroom, etc. Or a time, date, telephone number, passport number, etc.
- 4 You will hear the general topic at the beginning of the conversation. It is also given in the heading to the notes/form/table.

## Questions 1–5

- 1 pets**
- 2 fridge** Mary has ‘just replaced’ the fridge and it has ‘never been used’, so it must be ‘new’.

*Distraction* The dishwasher is old but still reliable, so it cannot be the 'new' item.

- 3 shelves** Mary says she has arranged for a builder to come in and 'put up' a set of shelves; put up = make or build in this context.

*Distraction* Andrew says he will bring a rug for the floor, but a rug isn't 'built'.

- 4 lamp** Andrew asks if he would need to provide his own lamp and Mary replies that he would.

*Distraction* Andrew comments that there is a wardrobe and a chest of drawers, so he would not need to 'bring' either of those himself.

- 5 gas** Andrew asks if the water is heated by gas and Mary replies that it is.

*Distraction* Electricity is mentioned, but Mary says it is too expensive.

### Questions 6–10

**6 Connaught**

**7 interglobe**

**8 E 738 2991 TP**

**9 7/7<sup>th</sup> April**

*Distraction* Mary mentions that a builder is coming on 4 April.

**10 450**

*Distraction* Mary says that a typical bond is \$500, but she only asks for \$450.

## LISTENING PART 2

### Training

#### Review

- 1 One main speaker; another speaker may introduce the main speaker.
- 2 Usually two.
- 3 No, not necessarily.
- 4 The speaker's purpose is to provide information that is useful in some way.

#### Useful vocabulary: entertainment

- 1 **C** Acrobats and clowns are associated with the circus.
- 2 **B** If he 'appears in' movies and has 'minor parts', he must be an actor.
- 3 **B** Clapping is done with the hands.
- 4 **A** If he 'wrote' music, he was a composer.
- 5 **C** If the exhibition is of fossils, it is most likely to be at a museum.
- 6 **A** The opposite of to stay at home is to go out – for example, go out and do something such as go to a movie or concert or meet friends.

### Task information: Matching Tasks

- 1 It would match A, because 'those aged under 10' are children.
- 2 Speaker 1: C a warm sunny day = fine weather  
Speaker 2: B admission is free = no cost is involved  
Speaker 3: C the forecast = weather forecast, and because it is an outdoor event the implication is that fine weather is necessary  
Speaker 4: A the kids will absolutely love = enjoyable for children  
Speaker 5: B There isn't an entry fee = no cost is involved, because the event is funded by the council

### Exam Practice

#### Action plan reminder

#### 3-option multiple-choice

- 1 Read the questions. They give you an idea of what you should listen for.
- 2 Underline locating words in the questions, e.g. names, dates, distinct nouns, etc.
- 3 No – the words in the options may be paraphrased in the recording.
- 4 Write the answer quickly and then listen for the next one. There may not be a long gap between answers in the recording.

### Questions 11–15

- 11 C** Victoria Theatre wasn't really big enough in the past, so this year there will be 'a number of other venues as well'.

*Distraction* A, 'just like last year the festival has attracted more than 250 writers from around the world', so there's been no increase in international guests. B, there's 'always' time for audience members to ask questions, so no change here.

- 12 B** There is a 20% discount on all tickets, which means they have been reduced in price.

*Distraction* A, the speaker says he's already bought his ticket, but says nothing about how many have sold so far. C, tickets can be bought 'at the door', so do not have to be booked in advance.

- 13 B** a chance for the whole family to learn about the science of the ocean = an educational event; for the whole family = for all ages

*Distraction* A, the speaker mentions swimming, but says it's the wrong time of year. B, he also says it's the wrong time of year to build sandcastles with the kids.

# Test 2

## LISTENING PART 1



### 11 Training

You will hear a woman asking for information about accommodation at the Sunnyside Holiday Park.

**Receptionist:** Good morning. Sunnyside Holiday Park, this is Michael speaking. How can I help you?

**Rachel:** Oh hello, this is Rachel Becks. Could I just ask a few questions about your accommodation options, please?

**Receptionist:** Yes of course. We've got a range of options, depending on what you're looking for.

**Rachel:** Well, I'm travelling with my husband and two children, so there are four of us.

**Receptionist:** So, we have our motel rooms, they're double rooms at \$205. They're very popular.

**Rachel:** Do they look out over the lake?

**Q1 Receptionist:** In fact they look out in the other direction, so they're directly facing the mountains out that way.

**Rachel:** Oh well that sounds just as good. But we'd need two rooms, so it'll be quite expensive. Do you have anything that's a bit cheaper?

**Receptionist:** Yes, we have studios. They're \$155 a night and have a double bed and a bunkbed.

**Rachel:** Any cooking facilities?

**Q2 Receptionist:** Well, there's no kitchen as such. But there's a kettle so you can make hot drinks and also a microwave which will obviously help if you want to prepare any snacks.

**Rachel:** And what about if we wanted to cook our own meals?

**Receptionist:** Then you'd need one of our Budget Units. They're \$222 a night and can sleep 4 people. They have a full kitchen with a fridge and everything.

**Q3 Rachel:** And a dishwasher?

**Receptionist:** Yes, absolutely.

**Rachel:** Mmm, well that sounds like it might be the one for us. Is bedding provided?

**Q4 Receptionist:** Yes, all the bedding and electric blankets are provided. But the towels, guests are required to supply their own.

**Rachel:** OK, that's not a problem. And what about other facilities at the park. Is there a laundry?

**Receptionist:** Yes, we have a laundry. And there's also a games room which is suitable for adults and children.

**Rachel:** Any outdoor activities for the younger ones?

**Q5 Receptionist:** The trampoline's being repaired I'm afraid at the moment, so that's not available, but there is a playground for children under 12.

**Rachel:** My kids will love that. Well look, I'll just need to discuss it with my husband and I'll...

## LISTENING PART 1



### 12 Exam Practice

You will hear a man who is looking for a new apartment to rent, talking to a landlady who is showing him round an apartment.

*Listen carefully and answer questions 1 to 5.*

**Mary:** Hello, Andrew, isn't it?

**Andrew:** Hi, yes that's right. And you must be Mrs. Jones.

**Mary:** Yes I am, but please call me Mary. Come in and I'll show you the apartment.

**Andrew:** Great, thanks. I'll just make a few notes as we go around, if you don't mind?

**Mary:** That's fine. So first, a few general points, Andrew. You probably saw in the advert that the apartment is partly furnished.

**Andrew:** That's OK – I've got a bit of furniture myself.

**Mary:** And also, please, pets are not permitted in the apartment. Q1

**Andrew:** No problem – I don't have any.

**Mary:** Well, shall we start in the kitchen, it's through here.

**Andrew:** Oh, it's nice and big, isn't it?

**Mary:** Yes, a good size for a one-bedroom apartment. It's got everything you'll need. The dishwasher is quite old now but it's very reliable. And I've just replaced the fridge, so that's never been used. Q2

**Andrew:** Great. It all looks really good.

**Mary:** Well, follow me through into the lounge, Andrew. Here we are.

**Andrew:** I like the wooden floorboards. But I might want to put down a rug on the floor as well, if that's OK.

**Mary:** Oh yes, of course.

**Andrew:** I've also got lots of books.

**Mary:** Well, as a matter of fact, I've just arranged for a builder to come and put up a set of shelves on that wall there. So that'll be convenient for your books. Q3

**Andrew:** That'll be great. Then, is that the bedroom through there?

**Mary:** Yes, that's right. Come through.

**Andrew:** There's a nice big wardrobe, and a chest of drawers.

**Mary:** Yes, plenty of storage.

**Andrew:** But if I wanted a lamp beside my bed, I guess I'd need to provide that myself? Q4

**Mary:** Yes, you would.

**Andrew:** That's no problem, I've got one that'd do.

**Mary:** And then this is the bathroom. It's only a small space, so there's no bath, just a shower.

**Andrew:** And the water heating, that looks like it's gas, right? Q5

**Mary:** Yes, electricity is more expensive in my view.

**Andrew:** You're probably right.

*Now listen and answer questions 6 to 10.*

**Andrew:** Well, I really like the apartment, Mary, and I'd like to take it if that's OK with you?