

International ESOL
English for Speakers of Other
Languages
Access – A2
Practice Paper 1



Time allowed: 2 hours


- Listening
- Reading
- Writing

Listening Part 1


You're going to hear seven sentences twice. Match what you hear with one of the answers. Put a circle round the letter of the correct answer. Now, look at the example. You hear 'It's a square black table, It's a square black table', the answer is (a). Ready?

Example:

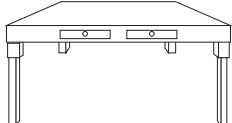
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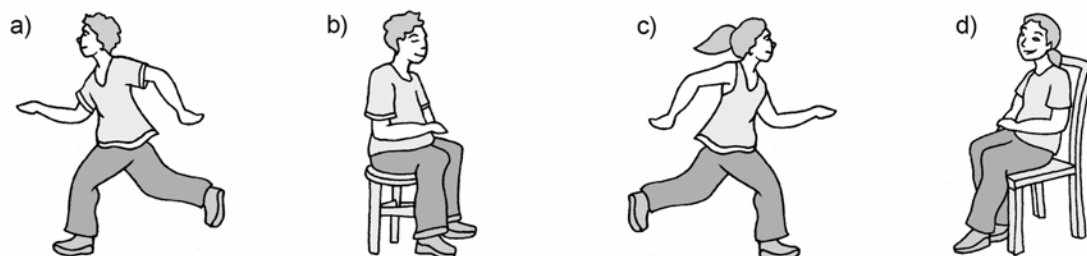
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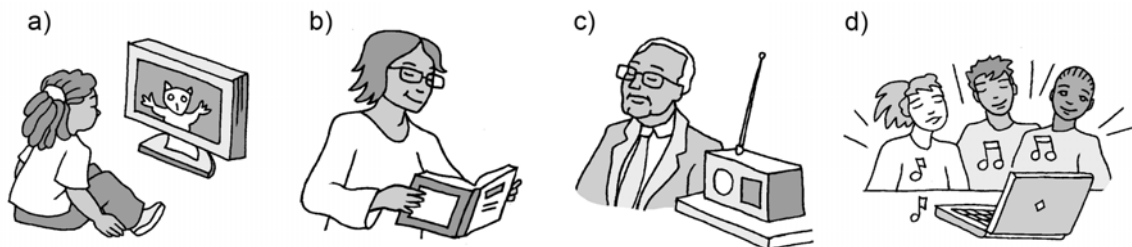
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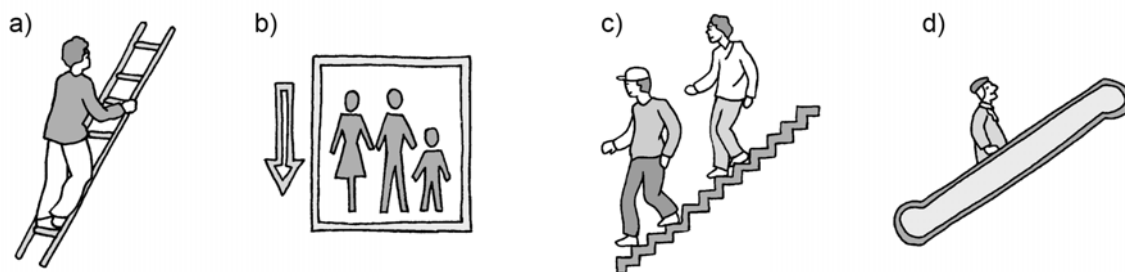
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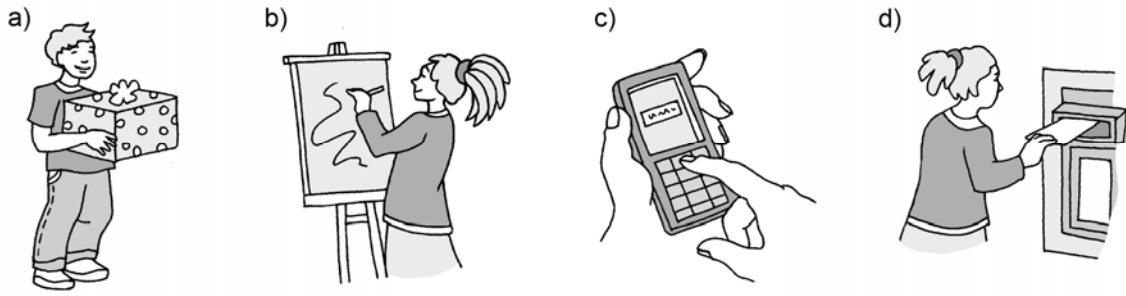
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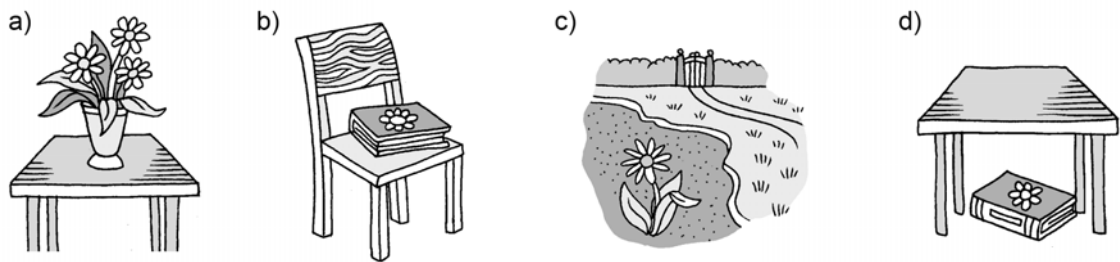
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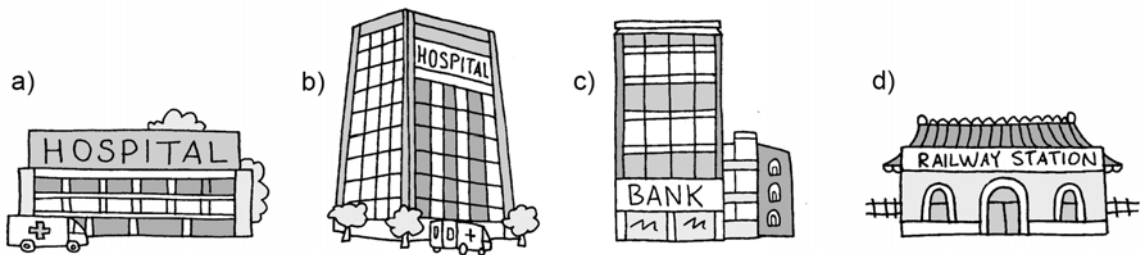
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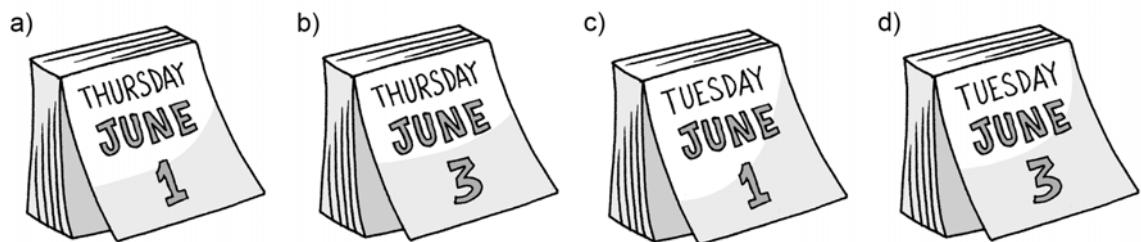
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(Total: 7 marks)

Listening Part 2

You're going to hear seven sentences twice. Choose the **best reply** to each sentence. Put a circle round the letter of the best reply. Now, look at the example. You hear 'Who's coming tonight?, Who's coming tonight?', the **best reply** is (b). Ready?

Example:

- a) That's right.
- ☒ b) Michael is.
- c) Eight o'clock.
- d) It's John's.

1. a) Yes, that's my father.
b) Yes, she's my friend.
c) No, he's not here.
d) No, that's not her.
2. a) I'm going there.
b) Yes, it's horrible.
c) No, it's too busy.
d) I love villages.
3. a) You don't look helpful.
b) I don't need it.
c) Yes, I'm OK, thanks.
d) Two coffees, please.
4. a) Pleased to meet you.
b) No, it isn't.
c) I don't teach.
d) Yes, you're here today.
5. a) Isn't ten enough?
b) I went last week.
c) Sorry, which day?
d) I'm busy next Thursday.
6. a) No, it's on the left.
b) Yes, definitely twenty.
c) Yes, B comes next.
d) No, I checked it.
7. a) I'd love to.
b) No, at the weekend.
c) We enjoyed it.
d) Yes, hope you can come.

(Total: 7 marks)

Listening Part 3

You're going to hear five short conversations. Listen to the conversations and choose the **best answer** to complete the sentence. Put a circle round the letter of the correct answer. You hear each conversation twice. Look at the sentences for Conversation One.

Conversation 1

The speakers are

- a) brother and sister.
- b) teacher and pupil.
- c) mother and father.
- d) parent and teacher.

Conversation 2

The people are in a

- a) clothes shop.
- b) post office.
- c) book shop.
- d) art gallery.

Conversation 3

The man is trying to be

- a) funny.
- b) helpful.
- c) pleased.
- d) serious.

Conversation 4

The woman says she is feeling

- a) unsure.
- b) fine.
- c) ill.
- d) cold.

Conversation 5

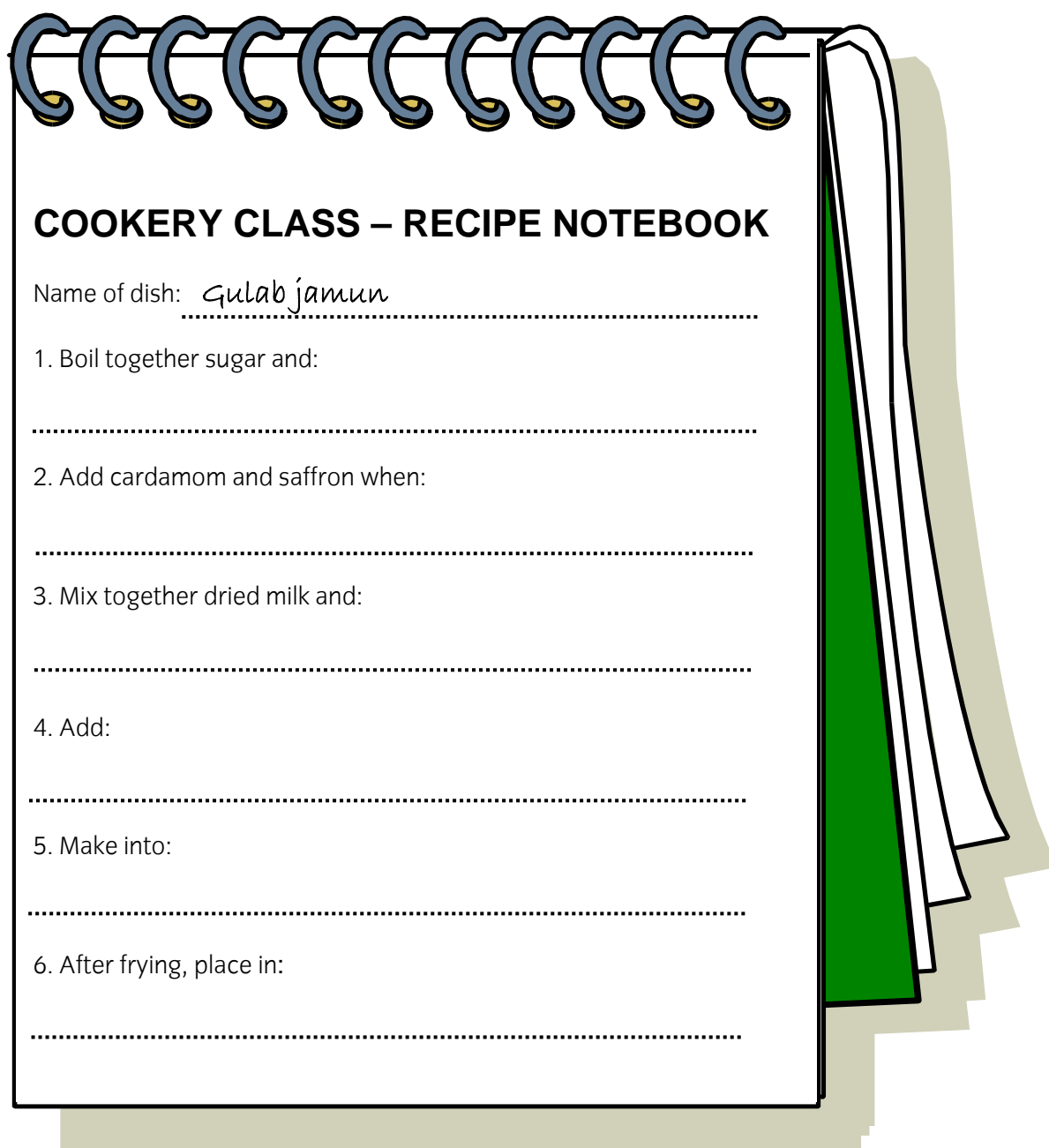
The man wants to see

- a) an English teacher.
- b) a fitness instructor.
- c) an optician.
- d) a dentist.

(Total: 5 marks)

Listening Part 4

Listen to the talk about cooking. Complete the information. Write **short** answers (1-3 words). First, look at the notes. The first one is an example. You hear the talk twice.



COOKERY CLASS – RECIPE NOTEBOOK

Name of dish: Gulab jamun

1. Boil together sugar and:
.....

2. Add cardamom and saffron when:
.....

3. Mix together dried milk and:
.....

4. Add:
.....

5. Make into:
.....

6. After frying, place in:
.....

(Total: 6 marks)
(Total marks for Listening: 25)

Reading Part 1

Read the five texts. Choose a, b, c or d to complete each text. Circle the letter of the correct answer.
First, look at the example.

Example:

Visa Form	
First name:	Pedro
Surname:	Garcia
Date of birth:
Nationality:	Spanish

- a) Spain
- b) 24
- ☒ c) 12/10/1989
- d) Monday

1.

SPECIAL CLOTHING OFFER
This week only

50% OFF:
Skirts
.....
Trousers
Dresses

- a) Bags
- b) Umbrellas
- c) Jackets
- d) Jewellery

2.

List of banks
Abbey Bank
Barclays Bank
Halifax Bank
.....
Lloyds TSB Bank

- a) Principality Bank
- b) Harrow Bank
- c) London Bank
- d) Cheshire Bank

3.

The British Cup of Tea

Put tea leaves into a warm teapot. Add boiling water. Pour tea into an empty cup you add milk. Never put the milk in first.

- a) before
 - b) after
 - c) instead of
 - d) without
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4.

Dear Sue
Thanks for coming to help me today. Please wash the kitchen floor
take the dog for a walk.
See you later.
Chris

- a) before
 - b) because
 - c) so
 - d) and
-

5.

John

I like all of the suitcases
you showed me but I don't like
..... in the other shop.

Sally

- a) this
- b) those
- c) that
- d) these

(Total: 5 marks)

Reading Part 2

Read the text and choose the correct answer (A–I) to complete each sentence. There are three extra answers you do not need. The first is an example.

I posted your recipe books this morning. It is only three you want, **B** ? I hope you enjoy cooking some of the recipes, . **1** The man in the Post Office said they deliver parcels . **2** I was nearly too late **3** they close for lunch. Luckily I got there in time . **4** That was good – **5** so I can't go there now. I hope to eat some lovely food next time I visit!

- A if you are sure
- B isn't it
- C before they closed
- D because they look great
- E because I didn't know
- F because I'm busy
- G in one or two days
- H before it's open
- I aren't they

(Total: 5 marks)

Reading Part 3

Read the four short texts. There are five questions about the texts. Which text (A, B, C or D) tells you the answer to each question? The first is an example.

A

E-mail

From: Phil
To: Jane

Subject: Music lessons

Hi Jane

I'm already good at playing the drums and now I'm learning to play the guitar too. I'm going to a lesson tomorrow. I've got a great teacher. Can you play anything? Let me know.

Phil

Send

Reply

B

Vale School of Music

26 Long Lane
LONDON
EC1A 9DD
Tel: 0207 65 6784

Music lessons available
with **qualified musicians**
Times: 4pm – 10pm

Phone now to find out how to book a class

C

Application Form for Lessons	
Student name	Phil James
Contact details	pjames@mailalot.com
Instrument/s *	Guitar/ keyboard /drums
Stage *	Beginner/ Intermediate /Expert
Preferred days	Monday or Friday
* (please delete)	

D

Lessons Booked	
Instrument	Guitar
Student	Phil James
Music teacher's name	Beth Attwell
Day	Monday
Lesson	5 – 6pm

Which text tells you:

1.	the name of Phil's friend?	A
2.	the time of Phil's lesson?	
3.	information on how well Phil plays the guitar?	
4.	the name of a music teacher?	
5.	information on how to apply for a lesson?	
6.	how many instruments Phil can play?	

(Total: 5 marks)

Reading Part 4

Read the hotel review and answer the questions below. Circle the letter of the correct answer. The first is an example.

Example:

For how long did the travellers stay?

- a) A week.
- ☒ b) A weekend.
- c) Two weeks.
- d) One day.

Grand Hotel

Traveller Review

This was our first trip to Budapest and we had a great weekend staying at this hotel on an island. The bedroom was big, as was the bathroom (in fact I don't think there was a small room in the place). Both were very clean. There were comfortable beds and our room was very quiet at night.

The island is peaceful, so was ideal after walking around the noisy city all day. There's only the one hotel there. The rest of the island is a large park and local people relax and play sport there. Getting on and off the island was easy as the bridge is close to the hotel. It's easy to walk to this, but Bus 26 also runs up and down the island. This is great if it's raining but we had good weather so didn't use it. However, the bus connects well with other transport links (metro and trams) to the city.

The three-day travel card is excellent for getting round the city on any public transport. Taxis from the hotel, however, are very expensive. One was half the price when we booked it from a city restaurant to go back to the hotel one night. The restaurant in the hotel seemed good, especially with live music, but not cheap, so we ate out.

1. The writer thinks all the hotel rooms were
 - a) large.
 - b) comfortable.
 - c) quiet.
 - d) relaxing.

2. They enjoyed the island because they like
 - a) playing sport.
 - b) meeting people.
 - c) large parks.
 - d) quiet places.

3. They went from the hotel to the bridge on
 - a) the Metro.
 - b) Bus 26.
 - c) foot.
 - d) a tram.

4. The travel card was good for
 - a) eating in restaurants.
 - b) visiting the city.
 - c) walking round the island.
 - d) travelling by taxi.

5. They didn't eat in the hotel restaurant because
 - a) they didn't like the music.
 - b) they didn't like the food.
 - c) the taxi fare was expensive.
 - d) the restaurant was expensive.

(Total: 5 marks)
(Total marks for Reading: 20)

Writing Part 1

Complete this form. You must use correct spelling.

**GIVE-A-CAT-A-HOME
Application Form**

FULL NAME (BLOCK CAPITALS):

DATE OF BIRTH:

TOWN:

SEX: (PLEASE TICK)

M

☐

F

☐

NATIONALITY:

OCCUPATION:

Please tell us about:

YOUR FAMILY:

.....

YOUR LIKES AND DISLIKES:

.....

Writing Part 2

There is one error in each sentence below. Write each sentence again and correct the error. Do not add extra words or ideas. The first is an example.

Example: I'm very bussy at the moment.	I'm very busy at the moment.
1. I'm pleased I'm on hoilday next week.	
2. I want to go to Spain Italy and France.	
3. Do you want to come with me.	
4. It will not be verry expensive.	
5. We can have a time great.	

(Total: 5 marks)

Writing Part 3

Read the email from your friend. Write a **letter** in reply.

Do not write an address. Write 20-40 words.

From: Eddie
Subject: HELP!

Hi!

My mobile phone is broken and I really need one this weekend. Can I borrow yours, please? How do I use it? Does it take photos? Please say I can borrow it.

Love Eddie

[illegible]

Your English course finishes soon. Write a **letter** to your teacher. Say

- Do not write an address. Write 20-40 words.*

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