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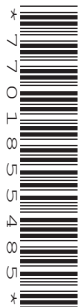
ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

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Paper 2 Listening

October/November 2025

Approximately 50 minutes (including 6 minutes' transfer time)



You must transfer your answers onto the multiple choice answer sheet.

You will need: Multiple choice answer sheet
Soft clean eraser
Soft pencil (type B or HB is recommended)

INSTRUCTIONS

- There are **40** questions on this paper. Answer **all** questions.
- You will have 6 minutes to transfer your answers from the question paper onto the multiple choice answer sheet.
- Follow the instructions on the multiple choice answer sheet. Shade **one** letter only for Questions 1 to 40.
- Write in soft pencil.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number on the multiple choice answer sheet in the spaces provided unless this has been done for you.
- Do **not** use correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- Dictionaries are **not** allowed.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 40.
- Each correct answer will score one mark.
- Any rough working should be done on this question paper.

This document has **16** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Exercise 1

You will hear eight short recordings. For each question, choose the correct answer, **A**, **B**, **C** or **D**, and put a tick (✓) in the appropriate box.

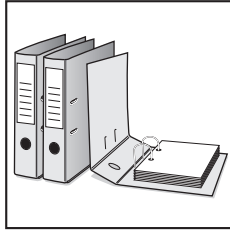
You will hear each recording twice.

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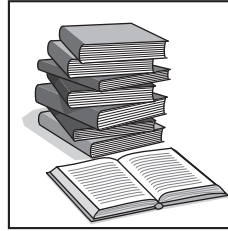
What does the boy need a new shelf for?



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Question 2

What does the man want the gardener to do first?



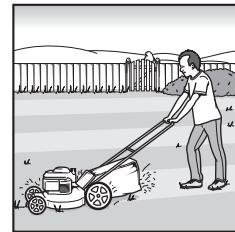
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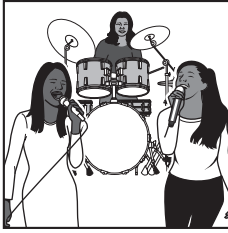
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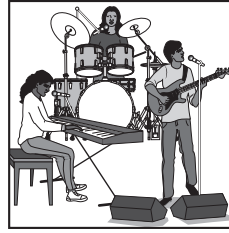
Which band did the girl see last night?



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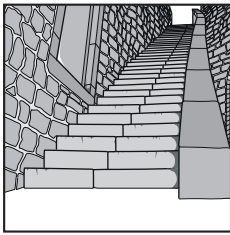

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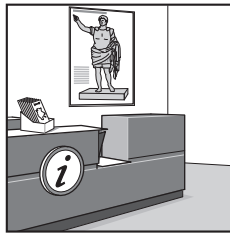
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Where should the students meet after lunch?



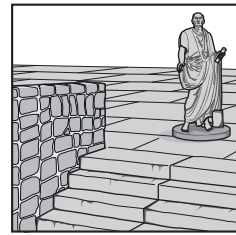
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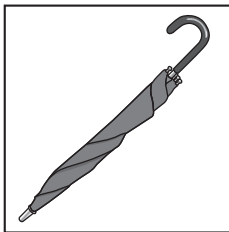
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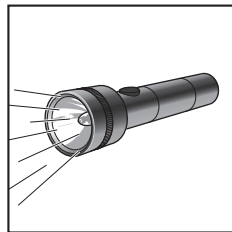
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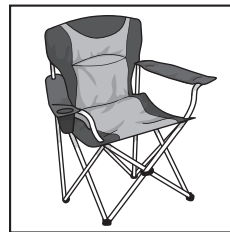
What did the man forget to pack?



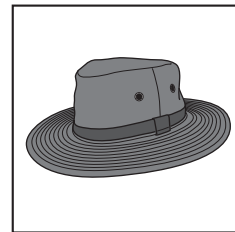
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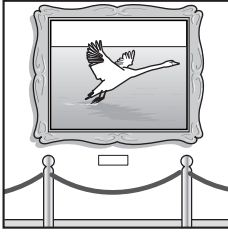
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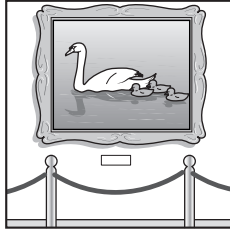
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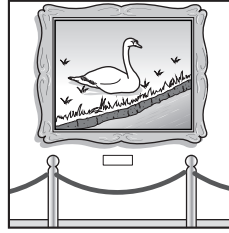
Which is the woman's favourite photo?



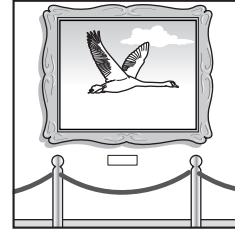
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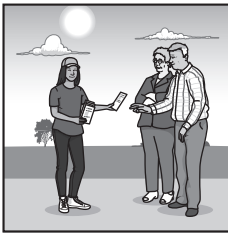
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Question 7

What is the girl going to do at the summer festival?



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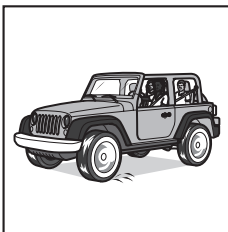

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Question 8

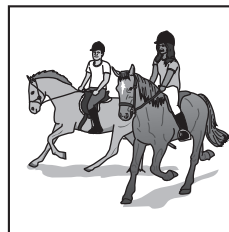
How will the man and woman get to the lake?



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Exercise 2

You will hear five short recordings. For each question, choose the correct answer, **A**, **B** or **C**, and put a tick (✓) in the appropriate box.

You will hear each recording twice.

You will hear a boy telling his friend about a recipe he tried.

Question 9

What would the boy change if he made the biscuits again?

A the quantity

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B the ingredients

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C the cooking time

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Question 10

How does the girl feel about the boy's interest in cooking?

A surprised he likes it

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B keen to encourage him

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C pleased they have something in common

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You will hear a man leaving a message for a colleague about a hotel.

Question 11

Which aspect of the hotel did the man appreciate the most?

- A** the food provided
- B** the reception staff
- C** the conference facilities

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Question 12

The man asked to change his bedroom because

- A** he wanted a better view.
- B** he thought it would be noisy.
- C** he needed more space to work.

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You will hear two friends discussing a TV programme called *The Repair Show*.

Question 13

The friends agree that the best thing about the programme is

A the stories people tell about their objects.

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B the value of the objects people bring in.

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C the skill of the people doing the repairs.

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Question 14

What did the woman learn about a clock that a man brought in?

A where it came from

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B who gave it to him

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C how it got broken

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You will hear a man and a woman talking about a travel guidebook.

Question 15

The man chose this particular guidebook because

- A** a relative recommended it.
- B** it was on offer in the shop.
- C** he read good reviews of it online.

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Question 16

What issue does the woman have with taking a guidebook?

- A** It might not be up to date.
- B** It is too heavy to carry around.
- C** It focuses only on the most popular places.

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You will hear a woman talking to a friend about her computer.

Question 17

What was the main problem with the woman's old computer?

A It was too slow.

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B It had a small screen.

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C Its memory was almost full.

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Question 18

How does the woman feel about her new computer?

A She is unsure where to put it.

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B She is finding the keyboard tricky to use.

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C She is worried that it might get damaged.

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Exercise 3

You will hear a student, Leo Wood, giving a talk about a sport called padel. For each question, choose the correct answer, **A**, **B** or **C**, and put a tick (✓) in the appropriate box.

You will hear the talk twice.

Now look at Questions **19–26**.

Padel

Question 19

Leo first found out about padel when he ... three years ago.

A watched a documentary

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B read an article

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C listened to an interview

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Question 20

When you play padel, the ... is the same as it is in tennis.

A scoring system

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B set of rules

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C technique

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Question 21

A padel ball is ... than a tennis ball.

A larger

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B softer

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C brighter

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Question 22

Leo believes that the main reason why padel is so popular is because it is ...

A simple to learn.

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B not physically demanding.

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C very sociable.

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Question 23

Enrique Corcuera, the man who invented padel, lacked the ... to build a tennis court.

A space

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B money

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C time

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Question 24

A few years later, Corcuera's friend built a padel court in ...

A Argentina.

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B Mexico.

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C Spain.

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Question 25

Most of the people who go to Leo's local padel club are ...

A male.

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B young.

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C fit.

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Question 26

Leo was unable to go to an international padel tournament last year because ...

A he couldn't travel.

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B it was during term time.

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C the tickets had sold out.

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Exercise 4

You will hear six people talking about where to go on holiday.

For Questions **27–32**, choose from the list (**A–H**) which idea each speaker expresses. Write the correct letter (**A–H**) on the answer line. Use each letter only once. There are two extra letters which you do not need to use.

You will hear the recordings twice.

Now read statements **A–H**.

A I prefer to choose somewhere that's easy to get to.

B I'm happy to let others choose where to go.

C It's important for me to go somewhere different each year.

D I tend to follow recommendations from people I know.

E I won't go anywhere if it means having to fly.

F I like going to places that won't be too busy.

G I think people should stay in their own country for their holidays.

H Wherever I go, there has to be a range of activities to do.

Question 27	Speaker 1	.....	[1]
Question 28	Speaker 2	.....	[1]
Question 29	Speaker 3	.....	[1]
Question 30	Speaker 4	.....	[1]
Question 31	Speaker 5	.....	[1]
Question 32	Speaker 6	.....	[1]

Exercise 5

You will hear an interview with a woman called Ruth Awosika, who creates art with paper. For each question, choose the correct answer, **A**, **B** or **C**, and put a tick (✓) in the appropriate box.

You will hear the interview twice.

Now look at Questions **33–40**.

Question 33

When she was a teenager, Ruth began

- A** making sheets of paper.
- B** making paper sculptures.
- C** making pictures with paper.

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Question 34

Ruth was inspired to work with paper as a result of

- A** a stall at a craft market.
- B** a talk at the local library.
- C** a project at school.

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Question 35

What does Ruth focus on when she's deciding what to make from recycled paper?

- A** the colour of the paper
- B** the previous use of the paper
- C** the quantity of paper available

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Question 36

When asked what her favourite piece of paper art is, Ruth suggests

- A** that she would prefer not to say.
- B** that it depends on her mood.
- C** that this question is an unfair one.

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Question 37

What aspect of her work does Ruth get most pleasure from?

- A** having her work put on display
- B** seeing people's reactions
- C** winning competitions

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Question 38

Ruth believes that the best way to learn is to

- A** experiment and make mistakes.
- B** watch how an experienced person does it.
- C** follow a set of instructions.

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Question 39

When Ruth set up her blog, she was

- A** afraid of receiving negative comments.
- B** worried whether people would be interested.
- C** concerned it would take too much time.

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Question 40

What is Ruth planning to do next?

- A** move into another studio
- B** try out some larger projects
- C** run classes for groups

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