

# Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life



## Entry 3 – Reading

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Time allowed: 60 minutes

Please answer **all** questions. Write your answers in pen **not** pencil.  
You may **not** use dictionaries. You may **not** use correction fluid.

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### Task one

Read the following text and answer the questions.

#### Paragraph A

According to Chinese legend, Emperor Shen Nung discovered tea about five thousand years ago. While he was travelling, some leaves fell into his pot of boiling water. When he tasted the drink, he was surprised by its refreshing flavour.



#### Paragraph B

Dutch merchants first brought tea to Europe from China in 1610 and tea-drinking became fashionable in Holland and Britain in the second half of the seventeenth century. By 1800, tea planters were cultivating tea in North-East India and Indian tea became popular.

#### Paragraph C

Throughout the world, there are many different ways of drinking tea. In Russia people drink tea in tumblers and may add sugar, honey, lemon or jam. In Mongolia and Nepal, they add butter. Most people in Britain add milk. Afternoon tea, with several cups of tea, cakes, toast, or even little sandwiches has been a tradition in Britain for over two hundred years, but today few people have time for it.

#### Paragraph D

Tea breaks, however, are still an essential part of a British working day. In our busy modern life, we may use mugs instead of cups and saucers, and teabags instead of leaf tea but people have always believed that it is important to sit down and relax for a few minutes with a good brew. Now, scientists have proved that this is true; new evidence shows that tea reduces the levels of stress in the body, so it really is good for our health.

(Source: Adapted from Comptons Interactive Encyclopaedia, Wikipedia and the UK Tea council [www.tea.co.uk](http://www.tea.co.uk))

## Questions

1. The first paragraph tells us that the text is about  
*(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

**A** Chinese history  
**B** tea  
**C** travel

- 2-4. There are four paragraphs in this text. Choose a suitable title for each one and write the letters A to D beside each title to show the order in which they come in the text. The first one has been done for you.

Question	Title	Paragraph
Example	The origins of tea	A
2.	The benefits of tea drinking	
3.	Tea drinking customs	
4.	The history of tea	

5. When did drinking tea become popular in Britain?

*(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

**A** about 5,000 years ago  
**B** in 1610  
**C** in the second half of the 17th Century

6. Which word can replace the word 'cultivating' in Paragraph 'B' without changing the meaning? *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

**A** growing  
**B** drinking  
**C** smoking

7. According to the text, why is drinking tea beneficial?
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8. Which of the following words from the text is **not** something you can drink from?  
*(Please circle the correct word)*

pot	tumbler	cup	mug	brew
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**Task two**

Read the text and then answer the questions on page 5.

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**Questions**

9. Where would you find this text? (*Please circle the letter of the correct answer*)

- A** in a text book
- B** in a dictionary
- C** in an office supplies catalogue

10. You would use this text to (*Please circle the letter of the correct answer*)

- A** find the page for stationery you want to buy
- B** find the meaning of a word
- C** find the telephone number of a shop selling stationery

11. You need some more paper for your printer. Which pages should you look at?  
(*Please circle the letter of the correct answer*)

- A** pages 65-67
- B** page 95
- C** pages 17-18

12. Which item can you find under two different headings?

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13. Which two items are on the same page?

**and**

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14. Where will 'ring binders' come on the list? (*Please circle the letter of the correct answer*)

- A** between 'photocopiers' and 'report files'
- B** between 'report files' and 'rulers'
- C** after 'rulers'

**Task three**

Look at the following three texts and then answer the questions on page 7.

**Text one****Your new blue recycling box**

- ✓ Put all recyclables into the one box
- ✓ Leave the box out by 7am on Wednesdays
- ✓ Situate the box near the road
- ✓ \_\_\_\_\_
- ✓ Remove the box by the end of the day

**Text two**

Advertise your goods for sale (price up to £20.00) **FREE!** in the NORWOOD ADVERTISER.

Write your advertisement in the space below. Don't forget to include the price and your phone number.

Choose your section from the list and tick the box.

- |                                    |  |  |
|------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Furniture | <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycles      | <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen equipment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Computers | <input type="checkbox"/> TV/Video/HiFi |  |

First name: \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Home tel: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile tel: \_\_\_\_\_

**Text three****WHYTELEAFE COMPUTERS**

126 Wimbledon Road, Whyteleafe.  
Tel: 01883 516789

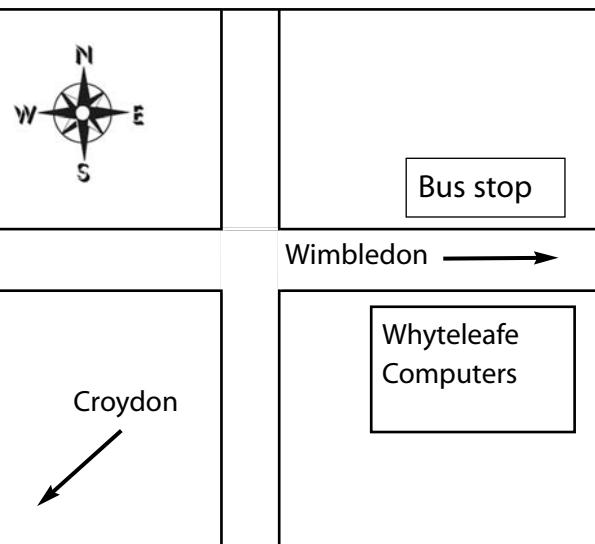
Shop open 6 days a week.

New and refurbished computers  
and accessories.

Repairs and spares.

Emergency service.

Home visits.



**Questions**

(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)

15. What is the main purpose of text one?

- A** to offer advice
- B** to give instructions
- C** to advertise a service

16. Which missing sentence best fits the style of text one?

- A** Place any extra recycling next to the box
- B** If you have a bit more recycling you should put it next to the box
- C** You can put any other recycling you've got by the side of this box

17. Who would use the form in text two?

- A** people who want to buy something from the newspaper
- B** people who want to buy the newspaper
- C** people who want to offer items for sale in the newspaper

18. You want to sell a single bed for £19. How should you complete the form in text two?

- A**  Furniture
- B**  Kitchen equipment
- C**  Furniture

19. What information does text three **not** give about the shop?

- A** the type of goods and services it offers
- B** the opening times of the shop
- C** the address of the shop

20. Which would be the correct directions for someone who wants to visit Whyteleafe Computers?

- A** The shop is West of Croydon
- B** Wimbledon is South of the shop
- C** The bus stop is North of the shop

