

# Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life



## Entry 3—Reading

January 2005

YOUR FULL NAME: .....  
(BLOCK CAPITALS)

CENTRE: ..... DATE: .....

CANDIDATE REGISTRATION NUMBER: .....

TIME ALLOWED: 60 MINUTES

PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

EXAMINER'S USE ONLY

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20

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**Task one**

Read the following text and answer the questions on page 3.

My favourite holiday destination is a quiet seaside village on the east coast of Spain. I hope to buy a small house or flat there one day, so I won't tell you what it's called. I first went there 20 years ago. In fact that's where I met my husband Luis. He was a medical student working as a waiter in the small hotel where I stayed. It was my first trip abroad and I was on holiday from my first real job as an actress in a television drama.

What I loved about the place was the slow and easy pace of life and the friendliness of the local people. The following year, 1986, I went to the south coast, to a much larger resort, but it wasn't the same. There were too many British people there, it was really noisy and I couldn't practise my Spanish because everyone spoke English.

Luis and I got married in 1988 when he qualified as a doctor. Since then we've been to lots of different countries, even Australia and South America, but we keep going back to the village where we first met. Things have changed there quite considerably. Some large hotels appeared in the 1990s and they are now building a marina for yachts and power boats. Of course there are a lot more housing developments there now too.

**Questions**

1. The first two sentences tell you that the text is about  
(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)

**A** buying property abroad  
**B** holidays  
**C** the coast of Spain

- 2–5. Draw lines to join these events in the writer's life to the numbers to show the order in which they happened. The first one has been done for you.

Example (1)	She met her husband
2.	She got married
3.	She first went to Spain
4.	She went to the south coast
5.	She went to Australia

6. What job did Luis do in the hotel?

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7. What is Luis's profession now?

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8. Which word from the text in the following list is **not** connected with holidays?  
(Please circle the correct word)

**destination**      **resort**      **villa**      **drama**      **beach**      **seaside**

**Task two**

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

<i>Menu</i>
<i>Starters</i>
French onion soup £4.95
Sardine salad £6.50
Grilled vegetable kebabs £5.50
<i>Main courses</i>
Roast chicken in lemon sauce £8.95
Grilled salmon steak £7.50
Four seasons pizza £6.00
All main courses are served with a choice of salad, vegetables and fried potatoes included in the price.
<i>Desserts</i>
Apple pie and cream £3.75
Orange and ginger ice cream £3.75
Chocolate and nut cake £3.75
<i>Coffee or Tea</i>
served with the compliments of the house

**Questions**

9. You will find this text (*Please circle the letter of the correct answer*)

- A** in a supermarket
- B** in a cookery book
- C** in a restaurant

10. What is the most expensive item on the menu?

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11. How much do fried potatoes cost?

.....

12. 'Sweets' means the same as (*Please circle the letter of the correct answer*)

- A** starters
- B** main courses
- C** desserts

13. 'Fish Pie' is a (*Please circle the letter of the correct answer*)

- A** starter
- B** main course
- C** dessert

14. In the dictionary, in what order would you find these words?

- A** Sauce
- B** Salmon
- C** Sardine

1. ....

2. ....

3. ....

**Task three**

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

**Text one**

## Optical Lens Cleaning Wipes



**Easy Reader** Optical Lens Cleaning Wipes are the handy and easy way to clean all types of optical lenses. Especially useful for cleaning spectacles and sunglasses, cameras, binoculars and telescopes.

The moist wipes quickly and effectively remove dirt and grease.

Suitable for all lens types.

**Easy Reader**  
HANDY POCKET SIZE WIPES

**Text two**

### MISSING CAT

Male silver grey and black tabby with yellow markings, and green eyes.  
1 year old, neutered and micro chipped.  
Last seen on Friday 15 October near Barnthorpe Village Post Office.

Small reward for safe return.

Tel: 01225 6676869

**Text three**

### ***Wonder glue***

**Important:** read these instructions carefully before use.

Ideal for use on metal, leather, ceramics, wood and many plastics.  
*Wonder glue* cannot fill gaps and is not suitable for containers which hold hot or cold liquids.

Test on a small area first.

Keep out of reach of children.

Avoid contact with clothing.

**Questions**

For each question, only one of the answers is correct.

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

15. Which text is advertising a product?
  - A** Text one
  - B** Text two
  - C** Text three
16. The purpose of text two is
  - A** to sell a pet
  - B** to buy a pet
  - C** to find a pet
17. In text one, which is correct? The wipes are useful for cleaning
  - A** your glasses
  - B** your hands
  - C** your eyes
18. In text three, what **can't** you repair with the glue?
  - A** Rubber
  - B** Leather
  - C** Wood
19. The sentence 'Replace the cap immediately after use' best fits
  - A** text one
  - B** text two
  - C** text three
20. In text two 'Small reward for safe return' means to get
  - A** a cat
  - B** a little money
  - C** a phone call

