

Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life Entry 3 – Reading February 2009



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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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This examination paper contains 20 questions. Answer all questions.

Task 1

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



Alexander Graham Bell was born in 1847 in Edinburgh, Scotland. He moved to Ontario in Canada and then to Boston in the United States. He then began his career as an inventor and soon became a leader in communication.

Throughout his life, Bell was interested in the education of deaf people. This interest led him to invent the microphone and then in 1876 he invented an 'electrical speech machine', which we now call a telephone.

News of his invention quickly spread throughout the United States and even throughout Europe. In 1878, Bell started the first telephone exchange in New Haven, Connecticut. By 1884, there were long distance connections between Boston, Massachusetts and New York City.

Bell imagined great uses for his telephone, which looked like the model in the picture from the 1920s. Since his death in 1922, the telecommunication industry has grown and developed.

Today, non-hearing people are able to use a special display telephone to communicate. Telephone lines can now transmit video images and the internet uses telecommunications technology. Bell's 'electrical speech machine' *paved the way* for the population of the world to communicate with each other wherever they live.



(Source: Adapted from www.fi.edu)

Questions

1. The best title for this text would be *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A** Life improves for deaf people
- B** The life of Alexander Graham Bell
- C** How to make a telephone call

2-5. Here is a list of events from the text. Choose a date from the text to show the year in which each event happened. The first one is an example.

		Year
Example	<i>Bell was born in Edinburgh</i>	<i>1847</i>
2.	Bell died	
3.	People could make phone calls to different cities	
4.	Bell invented the telephone	
5.	Bell created a switchboard in Connecticut	

6. Look at the last paragraph in the text. Which word below can mean the same as 'paved the way for'? *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A** helped
- B** walked
- C** listened

7. What did Bell invent before the telephone?

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8. Which one of the words in the following list is not connected with telephones?
(Please circle the word)

display	connection	exchange	transmit	line	career
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Task 2

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

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(Source: Adapted from *Guinness Book of World Records*, 2006, Bantam Books)

Questions

9. This text can help you (*Please circle the letter of the correct answer*)
- A** find interesting facts
 - B** learn about the advertising industry
 - C** plan your holiday
10. You will find the text (*Please circle the letter of the correct answer*)
- A** at the front of a book
 - B** in a magazine
 - C** at the back of a book
11. The list is alphabetical. Where will 'apples' come? (*Please circle the letter of the correct answer*)
- A** between 'advertising' and 'aeroplanes'
 - B** between 'aeroplanes' and 'art'
 - C** between 'art' and 'Atlantic crossings'
12. On which two pages can you find 'Atlantic crossings'?
- **and**
13. On which page can you find out about clever animals?
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14. You can find the 'oldest' under the **headings** of
- **and**

Task 3

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

Text one

- Remove the battery compartment cover
- Remove the used batteries
- Replace with 2 x LR44 batteries
- Ensure the batteries are the right way round
- Replace the battery compartment cover, ensuring that it is securely in place
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**Text two****Order your Job Information Brochure Today!**

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare | <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Horticulture | <input type="checkbox"/> Retail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hotel & Catering | <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Information Technology | <input type="checkbox"/> Travel Industry |

Please tick a maximum of two boxes

Name (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms)

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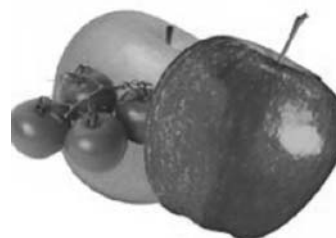
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Text three**5 a day!**

Eat 5 portions of fruit and vegetables a day to:

- ✓ help reduce the risk of heart disease
- ✓ help reduce the risk of cancer
- ✓ help maintain a healthy weight
- ✓ protect against illness
- ✓ help reduce the symptoms of asthma



(Source: Adapted from www.5aday.nhs.uk)

Questions

(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)

15. Which text gives advice?
- A** text one
 - B** text two
 - C** text three
16. An instruction is missing from text one. Which of the following best fits the style of the text?
- A** You'll have to get rid of the batteries safely.
 - B** Finally, make sure you recycle the batteries.
 - C** Dispose of the used batteries carefully.
17. In text two, which is correct? The form is to
- A** get an application form for a job
 - B** get information about possible careers
 - C** arrange an appointment to get career advice
18. In text two, you can order
- A** one job information brochure
 - B** two job information brochures
 - C** eight job information brochures
19. Where can you see text three?
- A** in a doctor's surgery
 - B** in a dentist's surgery
 - C** in an optician's office
20. Why should you eat 5 portions of fruit and vegetables a day?
- A** to help you put on lots of weight
 - B** to increase the risk of heart disease
 - C** to reduce the risk of illness