



## The IX of English Language Competition Stage 1

POINTS → ...../65

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### PART A

( .....// 6 points)

Look at the text in each question. What does it say? Choose A, B or C.

1. 

<b>SPEED CAMERAS IN USE ON THIS ROAD</b>
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A Do not take photographs when speeding on this road.  
B Cameras are used to check your speed on this road.  
C You may use our high-speed camera on this road.
  
2. 

<b>AIRPORT SERVICE ONLY</b>
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A Airport employees must use this bus.  
B All buses stopping here go to the airport.  
C Some buses that stop here go to the airport.
  
3. 

<b>EMPLOYEES ONLY</b>
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A Only people looking for a job can go through this door.  
B You can only go through this door if you own the company.  
C Anyone who works for the company can go through this door.
  
4. 

To: Sait From: Monika Re: Disco Saturday pm If you want to come, please e-mail me no later than 5.00 this afternoon.
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A Sait and Monika will be going to the disco together on Saturday afternoon.  
B Sait should e-mail Monika before 6 pm if he wants to go to the disco on Saturday.  
C Manika is worried that Sait might be late for their date at the disco on Saturday.
  
5. 

Free delivery on items worth \$10 or more.
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A Delivery is free if you spend at least \$10.  
B Delivery costs are usually more than \$10.  
C Delivery is not free if you spend over \$10.
  
6. 

Use within 4 months of date printed on bottom of tin.
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A The product must be used before the date printed on the tin.  
B The product must be eaten within 4 months of purchase.  
C The product should be used within 4 months of the date on the tin.

## PART B

( .....// 5 points)

*The 5 people below are all looking for voluntary work. There are details of 8 charity organizations which are looking for volunteers. Decide which organization would be the most suitable for the following people.*

1.	Peter loves children, especially very young ones. He is training to be a nursery-school teacher during the week so he would only be able to volunteer at weekends.	a <b>Children in Need</b> We are looking for volunteers to help with a group of teenagers. If you are free an weekdays and would like to take a group of teenagers on visits to park, museums and other places of interest, call us now on +48 40 50 60 00
		b <b>Help the Children</b> This year we are going to have our first group of toddlers. If you enjoy being with pre-school children and do not mind giving up your Saturday mornings, apply now. Phone + 49 50 48 47 46.
2.	Kate is a housewife with spare time on her hands. When she left school, she went to work in a clothing boutique, which she loved. Now that her children are at school, she wants to do some voluntary work during the week.	c <b>The Charity Shop</b> Do you have free time during the day? Would you like to help us by selling used clothes for various charities? If you are free for 5-6 hours on 1 or more weekdays, give us a ring on + 48 40 50 60 00.
		d <b>Josh Street School</b> We hold a jumble sale on the first Saturday of each month. Of course, your old clothes and other items are welcome, but if you would like to help with the sale, please call our secretary on + 40 50 60 70 80.
3.	Amy is a retired vet who would like to do voluntary work with animals. She often looks after her 3 grandchildren, so she would only be able to work for 1 or 2 days a week.	e <b>Animal Shelter</b> Volunteers are needed to help take care of sick and injured animals. If you have some experience of working with animals and are free for a couple of days every week, call us now on +48 40 41 42 43
		f <b>Tigers in Danger</b> Our organization needs vets to help out in India. Volunteers will travel to nature reserves around the country. If you can work with us for 12 months, your return air fare will be paid. Phone + 48 28 38 48 58
4.	Zuzana has 3 small children. She is looking for a voluntary job she can do from home in the evenings, when her children are in bed. She is never worked, but her friends say she is a good listener and always gives them helpful advice.	g <b>Help Line</b> Can you spend a few hours in the comfort of your own home, answering phone calls from people with problems? Day shift or evening shift available. Full training and special phone line provided free. Contact us on + 48 40 50 60 70
5.	After several years of studying, Olaf has finally finished degree in veterinary medicine. Before he finds a full-time job, he would like to take a year out to do voluntary work and travel abroad.	h <b>Children's Home</b> We need people to help prepare evening meals for 50 young children. Volunteers will also be asked to help us clear up after the meal and supervise the children before they go to bed. Ring Mrs. Montovani +43 42 41 40 39 38

1 - ..... 2 - ..... 3 - ..... 4 - ..... 5 - .....

## PART C

*Use the words in the box to fill the gaps in each group.* (.....// 10 points)

1. **OUTFIT** or **COSTUME**

- a) Ronya needs to buy a new ..... to wear for job interviews.
- b) Yakup wore a wizard's ..... to the party. He looked just like Harry Potter.

2. **ANCIENT, ELDERLY** or **OLDER**

- a) Lukas has 2 ..... sisters: Monika, who is 17; and Aleksandra, who is 18.
- b) Our next-door neighbor is a lovely .....woman in her mid-80s.
- c) There are many .....buildings in Italy. The most famous is the Colosseum.

3. **ADVICE** or **ADVISE**

- a) I asked the careers officer to give me some .....about a career in banking.
- b) Bank managers can .....people on how to invest their money.
- c) I never ask my parents for ..... . I prefer to ask my friends.

4. **EXIST, LIVE** or **SURVIVE**

- a) Computers did not ..... in the 16<sup>th</sup> century.
- b) It is feared that some of the passengers did not ..... the crash.
- c) I hope I never have to ..... through such a terrible experience.

**PART D**

*Match the bold phrases on the left with their meanings on the right.* ( .....// 5 points)

1.	Will the aliens take over the planet?	A	start (something new)
2.	The meeting will take place at 10 am this Wednesday.	B	gain control of
3.	Did the couple take up any hobbies when they retired?	C	look after
4.	Our team will take on last year's champions next week.	D	happen
5.	Maria is old enough to take care of her younger brother.	E	compete against, challenge

**PART E**

( .....// 6 points)

*Use the words in the box to fill the gaps in the sentences.*

<b>IN</b>	<b>OUT</b>	<b>UP</b>
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- 1. I never thought John would end ..... working as a teacher. He always hated school.
- 2. We did not expect things to turn ..... the way they did.
- 3. Remember to tune ..... to see who wins tonight's mystery prize.
- 4. Klaudia has signed ..... for a cookery class at the local evening centre.
- 5. Why do not you call ..... on your way home from work.
- 6. I wish I could figure ..... the solution to the problem.

**PART F**

( .....// 7 points)

*In this series of questions, three words have the same sound but one does not. Choose the one that does not.*

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1.	a - together	b - without	c - mother	d - north	
2.	a - goes	b - drinks	c - flies	d - does	
3.	a - niece	b - film	c - swim	d - busy	
4.	a - heated	b - started	c - changed	d - ended	
5.	a - sofa	b - box	c - home	d - drove	
6.	a - grey	b - height	c - great	d - paint	
7.	a - water	b - oxygen	c - coffee	d - hospital	

**PART G***Choose the best answer A,B, C or D.*

( .....// 13 points)

1. .... you take the early train, you will not miss the meeting.

A-Unless    B-If    C-Whether

2. By the time I got to the airport, Tomasz ..... for the flight and was waiting in the departure lounge.

A-had checked in    B-checked in    C-was checking in

3. I fell over yesterday and hit my head. Now I ..... see properly out of my left eye.

A-can not    B-might not    C-could not

4. We were sunbathing on the beach ..... it started to rain.

A-while    B-when    C-during

5. "I am leaving at 6 p.m.," Enes said. Enes said he ..... at 6 p.m.

A-left    B-is leaving    C-was leaving

6. When you get there, ..... me a text message to tell me you have arrived safely.

A-to send    B-send    C-sending

7. At the moment the school band ..... for the end of term concert.

A-practise    B-is practising    C-are practising

8. I feel ..... now that the exam is over.

A-more happy    B-the most happy    C-happier

9. There is ..... I would rather be than here with you.

A-anywhere    B-everywhere    C-nowhere

10. I have been to France every summer ..... I was ten.

A-when    B-for    C-since

11. Marina has had her exam results, and ..... have I.

A-so    B-neither    C-nor

12. Renata is expecting ..... a promotion later this year.

A-to get    B-get    C-getting

13. Do not put off ..... a new car any longer.

A-buying    B-to buy    C-buy

**PART H**

( .....// 5 points)

*Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use no more than 3 words.*

1. I do not get backache now that I have started exercising regularly.

I .....backache before I started exercising regularly.

2. Why do not you try to get more exercises?

If I were you, I .....get more exercises.

3. Listening to loud music caused his hearing problems.

His hearing problems .....listening to loud music.

4. How much did your new jeans cost?

How much ..... for your new jeans?

5. The jacket was so expensive that I did not buy it.

It ..... expensive jacket that I did not buy it.

**PART I**

*Choose one correct answer.*

( .....// 8 points)

1. 'Stars and Stripes' is the:

- A. British National anthem    B. American National anthem    C. British flag    D. American flag

2. 'Trick or treat!' is commonly heard on:

- A. Halloween    B. Christmas Day    C. Thanksgiving    D. Labour Day

3. Levi Strauss was:    A. a composer    B. an orchestra conductor    C. a tailor    D. a cowboy

4. A pow-wow is a:    A. Native Americans' festival    B. Native Americans' traditional house

- C. Indian word for a peace pipe    D. name of a Native American tribe

5. Who is Uncle Sam?

- A. one of the American presidents    B. a general from the Civil War  
C. a popular character from American stories    D. a cartoon symbol of the US government

6. Haggis is:    A. an American song    B. a brand of Irish Whiskey    C. an English lager    D. a Scottish dish

7. The Union Jack is:    A. the United Kingdom's flag    B. a famous pub in London

- C. a character from Shakespeare's plays    D. a pop music band from the 60's

8. The national emblem of England is:

- A. a red rose    B. a leek    C. a thistle    D. a shamrock

