



## The IX of English Language Competition Stage 2

**POINTS → ...../ 65**

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### PART A

( .....// 10 points)

#### Listening 1

*Are these sentences true or false? Circle the correct answer.*

1. Susan Boyle is a long-established British superstar. **True / False**
2. Susan Boyle is a contestant on a TV talent show. **True / False**
3. A video of Susan Boyle has been watched by millions of people on the internet. **True / False**
4. Susan Boyle is a glamorous young woman. **True / False**
5. Susan Boyle is a favourite to win the TV show Britain's Got Talent. **True / False**

Source: bbclearningenglish.com

#### Listening 2

*In each case, match a summary of what was said to the speaker. The speakers are in the order in which you hear them.*

Speaker	Answer	Summary statement	point
1. Martina		a) I have a clear policy on when I can have distractions.	
2. Rachel		b) I was surprised to find I couldn't work like I had expected to.	
3. Romesh		c) It's often difficult for me to find the ideal working conditions.	
4. Mark		d) My expertise makes it easier for me to listen to music while I work.	
5. John		e) Whether I listen to music or not depends on the amount of attention the task requires.	

Source: www.britishcouncil.org

### PART B

( .....// 13 points)

*Complete the sentences with the correct word or phrase, A,B,C or D. Only one answer is correct. (underline correct answer)*

When I went to bed last night, I ..1.. asleep immediately. I ..2.. tired because I ..3.. so hard for several hours. So I forgot to close the windows before ..4.. into bed. If I had remembered, the thief ..5.. . But ..6.. a perfect opportunity to enter the house. The next time I ..7.. late I will lock the house carefully. A policeman came to see me about the theft. “..8.. investigate,” he said. “So I ..9.. ask you some questions. First, how ..10.. ?” I told him that I ..11.. the window open. “You ..12.. more careful,” he said. “If people ..13.. their houses properly, we wouldn't have so much work to do.”

1 a- fell	b- did fall	c- was falling	d- have fallen
2 a- had to be	b- ought to be	c- must have been	d- needed to be
3 a- have been working	b- had been working	c- have being working	d- had being working
4 a- getting	b- to get	c- going	d- to go
5 a- has not got in	b- had not got in	c- would not get in	d- would not have got in
6 a- it was given to him	b- there was given to him	c- he has been given	d- he was given
7 a- shall work	b- will work	c- work	d- will be working
8 a- I've been said to	b- I've been told to	c- It has been said to me	d- It has been told me
9 a- would	b- would to	c- am wanting to	d- want to

10 a- the thief go in	b- was the thief getting in	c- has the thief got in	d- did the thief get in
11 a- had let	b- had left	c- was letting	d- was leaving
12 a- would be	b- ought be	c- should be	d- had to be
13 a- look after	b- looks after	c- have looked after	d- should look after

**PART C**

( .....// 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 - year	b - bear	c - fear	d - hear	
2.	a - most	b - lost	c - cost	d - frost	
3.	a - war	b - car	c - floor	d - door	
4.	a - boot	b - shoot	c - foot	d - root	
5.	a - gave	b - wave	c - have	d - slave	
6.	a - drum	b - come	c - home	d - thumb	
7.	a - threat	b - beat	c - debt	d - set	

**PART D**

( .....// 5 points)

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

- In case of fire  
Break Glass!

  - This glass will break in a fire
  - Break this glass if there is a fire
  - Anyone who breaks the glass will be fired
  - This is a case of fired glass
- "Guys - I found out about the music in the park. Tickets are available Monday-Friday. Let me know if there are any times you can't go. Brad.

  - You can buy tickets in the park for music
  - There is music in the park from Monday to Friday
  - A band called Mon-Fri will play in the park
  - You can buy tickets on weekdays
- SALE**  
*Spring sale next week!  
Up to 50% off many items.*

  - 50% of the items will be sold next week
  - All items will be half price in the Spring
  - Some items will be half price next week
  - After the spring sale many items will cost 50% more
- This movie is suitable for people over 18 years old.**

  - You cannot watch this film if you are under 18
  - This film is about children or teenagers
  - This film can still be used after 18 years
  - You should only watch films if you are over 18
- Stand on right of escalator.  
**Dogs must be carried!**

  - You must carry a dog to use this escalator
  - You must stand on the right if you have a dog
  - Stand on the right, and carry your dog if you have one
  - The left side of the escalator is for people going the other way

**PART E**

( .....// 6 points)

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

1. The neighbour complained the music at our party was too loud.

We had to play the music more ..... because the neighbour complained.

2. If you do not practise the piano every day, you will not improve.

You will not improve unless ..... the piano every day.

3. It took them a long time to decide which concert to go to.

They spent a long time ..... which concert to go to.

4. I haven't been to a concert for a long time.

It's a long time since ..... a concert.

5. We could not take our instruments on the plane.

We were not ..... take our instruments on the plane.

6. This room is too small for us to play music in.

This room isn't ..... for us to play music in.

**PART F**

*The people below all want to find somewhere to stay. There are descriptions of eight hotels. Decide which hotel (A, B, ...,H) would be the most suitable for the following people.*

1. **Enes and Gabriela** want to spend the weekend in the city center near the railway station with their one-year-old son. They want to be able to walk everywhere. They plan to eat in restaurants. /...../
2. **Ramzes** wants to be able to swim, but is not interested in other sports. He'd like to spend the weekend somewhere quiet in the country. The hotel must have a car park./...../
3. **Gabi** would like to stay somewhere in the countryside where there are organized activities so that she can meet other people. As she has some work to do, e-mail facilities must be available./...../
4. **Mimma and Roberto** are traveling by car and want to park at their hotel. They don't want to be further than ten kilometers from the city. They want to swim every day and have dinner at the hotel./...../
5. **Adam and Barbara** need to stay somewhere in the city which provides lunch and dinner and has a car park. Their three children all enjoy sport./...../

- A. **The Sun Hotel** is a five-minute drive from the city center, and all rooms have their own television and telephone. Guests can eat all their meals here – breakfast, lunch and dinner. The hotel has its own large car park. There is a gym and two tennis courts. Entertainment is available at weekends.
- B. **York House** is between two farms. The hotel arranges dances and other events which you can attend if you wish, or you can walk in the gardens and enjoy the scenery. It is especially popular with people traveling alone and also has a fully equipped business room and internet café. All meals are available on request.
- C. **The Green Hotel** is outside the city, but hotel staff can collect you from the station and arrange trips in the area by coach. It is close to all the main roads and has a large car park. Although only breakfast is served, there are two good restaurants nearby. Fax, e-mail and photocopying are available.

- D. **Flower Guesthouse** is about one kilometer from the city center. It is easy to reach the city's shopping and entertainment areas or drive into the surrounding countryside. There is a swimming pool in the next street. Diner is available if booked in advance, and there is a large car park.
- E. **The White Bear Hotel** is on the south side of the city and is just a short taxi ride from the railway station and places of interest. Breakfast only is provided. Events such as talks and shows are organized every evening and are popular both with local people as well as the hotel's guests. Free parking is available in nearby streets.
- F. Twenty kilometers from the city, in the middle of the hills, **Blantyre Manor** was previously a family home. It is a peaceful place to spend a few days, with very good sports facilities including golf, tennis and a swimming pool. There is a restaurant serving breakfast, lunch and dinner, and plenty of car-parking space.
- G. **Gold House** is a family hotel five minutes' walks from the railway station and tram station and close to all the city's facilities. It is in the city center near the shopping mall, where a range of restaurants is available. No car parking or meals except breakfast. Bicycles can be hired from reception.
- H. Just five kilometers from the city center, **The Summer Park Motel** is very near the motorway with plenty of parking space, so it is convenient for drivers, although it is in the countryside. Meals are not available, but only two kilometers along the motorway there is an excellent café where breakfast, lunch and dinner are available.