

**ESOL International
Sample English Listening Examination**

Level B2 Independent User

Instructions to learners

Check that you have the correct paper.

DO NOT WRITE ON THIS PAPER.

Please complete the information on the mark sheet.

Use black or blue ink. Do not use pencil.

Total marks available: 30

You have **30 minutes** to finish the examination.

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Part 1

You will hear ten sentences twice. Choose the best reply in each situation.

Now look at the replies. You have two minutes to read the replies.

Now listen to the sentences and select the best reply. Mark the answer on the mark sheet.

1. a. No, can you turn it on?
 b. No, can you turn it up?
 c. No, can you turn it down?
 d. No, can you switch it on?

2. a. Really? That's none of his business.
 b. Really? He needs to keep to his own.
 c. That's really kind of him.
 d. That was undecided.

3. a. Yes, it did, did it?
 b. Yes, it was, didn't it?
 c. Yes, it was, wasn't it?
 d. It surely did, wasn't it?

4. a. I can't make up my mind.
 b. I can't wait!
 c. I can't see the point!
 d. It's worth it.

5. a. It depends. If the weather will be nice I will go.
 b. It depends. If the weather would be nice I will go.
 c. It depends. If the weather is nice I will go.
 d. It depends. If the weather is nice I would go.

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6. a. No, it's illegal.
 b. No, it's illegal.
 c. No, it's dislegal.
 d. No, it's mislegal.
7. a. Yes, I'm fed up.
 b. Yes, I feel under the weather.
 c. Yes, I feel ecstatic.
 d. Yes, I don't feel like it.
8. a. I have to look it through first.
 b. I have to see it through first.
 c. I have to think it through first.
 d. I have to make it up first.
9. a. What's the point? I'm already wet through.
 b. What's the point? I'm already soaked up.
 c. What's the point? I'm already soaked down.
 d. What's the point? I'm already wet up.
10. a. I agree, it was delightful.
 b. I agree, it was tasteful.
 c. I agree, it was disgusted.
 d. I agree, it was disgusting.

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Part 2

You will now hear two conversations. You will hear them twice. You have two minutes to look at the questions for both conversations.

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Now listen to Conversation 1.

Record your answers to the questions on the mark sheet.

Conversation 1

1. Who has Mr Smith got an appointment for?
 - a. Himself
 - b. His wife, Emma
 - c. His daughter
 - d. His son

2. The doctor's diagnosis is:
 - a. Stomach virus
 - b. Dizziness
 - c. Food poisoning
 - d. Fever

3. Dr Nelson assures that the patient:
 - a. Will take a week to recover
 - b. Will take couple of weeks to recover
 - c. Will take two days to recover
 - d. Will take some time to recover

4. What are the main symptoms mentioned in the conversation?
 - a. Fever and diarrhoea
 - b. Fever and stomach ache
 - c. Temperature and sickness
 - d. Temperature and stomach ache

5. Which statement is true?
 - a. The patient needs to drink plenty of fluids
 - b. Paracetamol will cure the virus
 - c. Mr Smith does not require a prescription
 - d. They will have to come back for a check up

Now listen to the conversation again and check your answers.

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Now listen to Conversation 2. Record your answers on the mark sheet.

Conversation 2

1. What single item has Sue spent most money on?
 - a. Her foundation
 - b. Catwoman costume
 - c. Tennis racket
 - d. Her dog

2. Sue's dream dinner party would include:
 - a. Five closest friends
 - b. Five ladies
 - c. Five ladies who first come through the door
 - d. Five US presidents' wives

3. Sue likes to relax by:
 - a. Enjoying peace in her own house
 - b. Enjoying busy life in her own house
 - c. Playing tennis
 - d. Having dinner parties

4. What has been the happiest time in Sue's life?
 - a. When she was a child
 - b. When she won 22 Grand Slam singles
 - c. When she got married to Jim
 - d. Now with her husband and children

5. If Sue could do anything she would:
 - a. Stop all wars
 - b. Be in her kitchen with her family
 - c. Be a Catwoman
 - d. Be a kryptonite

Now listen the conversation again and check your answers.

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Part 3

You will now hear two radio broadcasts. You will hear them twice. You have two minutes to look at the questions for both broadcasts.

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Now listen to Broadcast 1. Record your answers on the mark sheet.

Broadcast 1

1. Health anxiety is:
 - a. Not a recognised condition
 - b. A serious medical disorder
 - c. A condition with physical symptoms that cannot be explained
 - d. Another word for cancer

2. The main purpose of the broadcast is to:
 - a. Inform
 - b. Persuade
 - c. Describe
 - d. Argue

3. According to the broadcast, which statement is true?
 - a. It is well known what causes anxiety
 - b. People who generally worry in life are more prone to worry about their health
 - c. It is easy to control health anxiety
 - d. Hypochondria is always caused by a mental disorder

4. If you go through a stressful period in your life you may:
 - a. Be less anxious about your health
 - b. Tend to be anxious about everything
 - c. Have a personality disorder
 - d. Be more anxious about your health

5. Depression is:
 - a. A disorder which does not require treatment
 - b. A mental condition requiring treatment
 - c. Obsessive worrying about your health
 - d. Obsession about your future

Listen to the broadcast again and check your questions.

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Now listen to Broadcast 2. Record your answers on the mark sheet.

Broadcast 2

1. According to the broadcast, the person getting married was:
 - a. Prince Harry
 - b. Prince William
 - c. Lady Mellissa Percy
 - d. Duke of Northumberland

2. Which statement about Thomas van Straubenzee is true?
 - a. He is Prince Harry's university friend
 - b. He is Prince William's university friend
 - c. He went on a trip with the Duke of Cambridge
 - d. He went to New Zealand with the Duchess of Cambridge

3. Who received loudest cheers from the crowd?
 - a. Bride
 - b. Groom
 - c. The Princes
 - d. Bridesmaids

4. Why was the Duchess of Cambridge absent from the wedding?
 - a. Because she had a baby
 - b. Because she was expecting a baby
 - c. Because she was ill
 - d. Because she was in New Zealand

5. The phrase 'society wedding' means that:
 - a. People from the town can watch it
 - b. Famous people are getting married
 - c. Social employees are getting married
 - d. Everyone is invited

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End of Examination

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Sample Listening Mark Sheet

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Instructions: Draw a line through either a, b, c or d to answer each question. ~~b~~
 If you change your mind black out the wrong answer b and choose a new one with a line. ~~b~~
 If you think your first answer was right, black out the wrong answer and circle your first answer. b

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Part 1	1	a	b	c	d	
	2	a	b	c	d	
	3	a	b	c	d	
	4	a	b	c	d	
	5	a	b	c	d	
	6	a	b	c	d	
	7	a	b	c	d	
	8	a	b	c	d	
	9	a	b	c	d	
	10	a	b	c	d	
Part 2 Conversation 1	1	a	b	c	d	
	2	a	b	c	d	
	3	a	b	c	d	
	4	a	b	c	d	
	5	a	b	c	d	
Part 2 Conversation 2	1	a	b	c	d	
	2	a	b	c	d	
	3	a	b	c	d	
	4	a	b	c	d	
	5	a	b	c	d	
Part 3 Broadcast 1	1	a	b	c	d	
	2	a	b	c	d	
	3	a	b	c	d	
	4	a	b	c	d	
	5	a	b	c	d	
Part 3 Broadcast 2	1	a	b	c	d	
	2	a	b	c	d	
	3	a	b	c	d	
	4	a	b	c	d	
	5	a	b	c	d	
Total Marks						

Learner Signature _____

Date _____