

**ESOL International
Sample English Listening Examination**

Level C2 Proficient

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 **45 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. Yes, I'm tired off.
 - b. Yes, I'm worn off.
 - c. Yes, I'm worn down.
 - d. Yes, I'm tired out.

2.
 - a. Don't worry, I'll see what I can do.
 - b. Don't worry, I've looked into them.
 - c. Don't worry, I'll check them out.
 - d. Don't worry, I'll make it up.

3.
 - a. Oh, I'm fed up with it.
 - b. I'm over the moon.
 - c. I'm surprised.
 - d. I can't wait.

4.
 - a. If I were you, I'd take it.
 - b. If I am you, I'd take it.
 - c. If I were you, I will take it.
 - d. If I was you I will take it.

5.
 - a. Should we have gone to the cinema?
 - b. We ought to go to the cinema?
 - c. Shall we going to the cinema?
 - d. Shall we go to the cinema?

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6. a. Two heads are better than one.
 b. It's better to be safe than sorry.
 c. Make hay when the sun shines.
 d. Early bird catches the worm.
7. a. Oh, no. I'd have visited him if I had.
 b. Oh, no. I'd visit him if I did.
 c. Oh, no. I'd have visited him if I was.
 d. Oh, no. I'd visit him if I had.
8. a. Oh, well. Not to worry.
 b. Oh, what's wrong with him?
 c. It is a lovely day, isn't it?
 d. Does he need an umbrella?
9. a. I can give you a drive.
 b. I can give you a lift.
 c. I can lift you up.
 d. I can put you up.
10. a. To get a grip of it.
 b. To be up to time.
 c. To be on time.
 d. To keep up to date.

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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. What is Dan most afraid of?
 - a. Being trapped in a lift
 - b. Being in prison
 - c. Being slapped by a doctor
 - d. Falling down

2. What is Dan's most precious item?
 - a. His nose
 - b. His vision
 - c. The family home in Canada
 - d. His car

3. According to the conversation, which statement is true?
 - a. Dan was a good student at school
 - b. Dan likes smelling lilies
 - c. Dan's job was killing rats
 - d. Dan lives in Canada

4. Dan achieved fame by:
 - a. Acting in films
 - b. Being a benefactor
 - c. Being a blues man
 - d. Surviving a 50 feet fall

5. Which of the following statements is true?
 - a. Dan would like to be a Superman
 - b. Dan would like to be able to see through solid objects
 - c. Dan would like to be able to fly
 - d. Dan does not like talking to himself

Now listen 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 is Mrs Porter's most likely problem?
 - a. She has measles
 - b. She has cancer
 - c. She has eczema
 - d. She has rubella

2. The next step will be:
 - a. A biopsy
 - b. Taking a blood sample
 - c. Seeing a specialist
 - d. Going to hospital

3. How quickly will Mrs Porter get her results?
 - a. Overnight
 - b. In a week's time
 - c. In two weeks' time
 - d. In two days' time

4. Mrs Potter will need the biopsy because:
 - a. Dr Robinson thinks it might be cancer
 - b. Dr Robinson wants to exclude cancer
 - c. Dr Robinson does not know what to do
 - d. It will cure Mrs Porter's condition

5. The phrase 'baffled' used by Dr. Robinson means that:
 - a. Dr. Robinson is not sure how to diagnose Mrs Porter's problem
 - b. Mrs Porter suffers from a very mysterious condition
 - c. Mrs Porter's symptoms are amusing
 - d. Mr. Porter seems to be confused

Now listen the conversation again and check your answers.

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Part 3

You will now hear a debate and a discussion. You will hear them twice. You have two minutes to look at the questions for both the debate and the discussion.

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Now listen to the Debate. Record your answers on the mark sheet.

1. What item of news had an impact on Mrs Miliband's new appointment:
 - a. A break of a new military conflict
 - b. The end of the conflict in Afghanistan
 - c. Allegations of corruption of retired military officers
 - d. High military officers selling arms

2. What does MOD stand for:
 - a. Military of Defence
 - b. Ministry of Defence
 - c. Monitoring of Defence
 - d. Mentoring of Defence

3. Mrs Miliband maintains that:
 - a. Measures may have to be taken to ensure appropriate access is given to retired officers
 - b. Military officers are not subject to corruption
 - c. All allegations are not true
 - d. It is not her responsibility to deal with allegations

4. What position does George Osborne have:
 - a. Former Home Office Secretary
 - b. Chancellor
 - c. Prime Minister
 - d. Retired army officer

5. Mrs Miliband states that:
 - a. All soldiers will return to the UK from Afghanistan by the end of 2013
 - b. There will be no military conflicts after 2013
 - c. The majority of forces will return to the UK by 2013
 - d. Almost all soldiers will return to the UK from Afghanistan by the end of 2014

Listen to the debate again and check your answers.

Now listen to the Discussion. Record your answers on the mark sheet.

Discussion

1. The main focus of the discussion is on:
 - a. Changes to benefits affecting children
 - b. Changes to benefits affecting retired people
 - c. Changes to benefits affecting unemployed people
 - d. Changes to benefits affecting disabled people

2. Who will no longer receive Child Benefit at all?
 - a. Children of people with income above £60,000
 - b. Children of people with income above £50,000
 - c. Children of parents who do not claim any benefits
 - d. People with only one child

3. What does DLA stand for?
 - a. Disability Learning Allowance
 - b. Discomfort Living Allowance
 - c. Disability Living Allowance
 - d. Dangerous Living Allowance

4. Geraldine is concerned that:
 - a. Her DLA entitlement will change
 - b. Her grandson's DLA entitlement will change
 - c. Her daughter will not receive Child Benefit
 - d. Her son will not be entitled to motability

5. What will happen to disabled children after the age of 16 who are not in education?
- a. They will have to make a new claim themselves
 - b. They will not be entitled to benefits
 - c. They will have to go into employment
 - d. They will have to rely on their working parents

Listen to the discussion again and check your answers.

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 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.

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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 Debate	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 Discussion	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 _____