

PET SAMPLE TEST: READING

PART 1: There are 7 questions in this quiz. Look at the text in each question. What does it say? Choose the correct answer.

1

- The swimming pool is free to people who go to the Water Fitness Classes.
- The water fitness classes are free to people who swim ten times in a month.
- This month, you can go to Water Fitness Classes and use the swimming pool ten times without paying.

SPECIAL OFFER!

If you use the swimming pool ten times in one month, you can attend one Water Fitness Class free of charge!

2

What should people at the restaurant do first?

- Go to the bar
- Pay for their food
- Find a table

No table service.

Please choose a table number before ordering your food at the bar.

Pay for your food when you order.

3

- You need a special type of ticket if you travel regularly.
- Cheaper tickets are available for people who travel often.
- The Super Weekly Saver ticket can help all travellers to save money.

If you take this journey regularly, you can save money with our Super Weekly Saver Ticket.

4

- The trip to London will take place on a different day.
- The group leader cannot go on the trip of Saturday.
- Miriam will not be able to visit London at the weekend.



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Students who do not sign up before Friday lunchtime...

- won't be able to choose their afternoon activities next week.
- will not be able to do afternoon activities next week.
- will have to work in the afternoons next week.

Activity School Notice Board

Please sign up for next week's afternoon activities before Friday lunchtime. If you don't do this, we will select activities for you.

PART 2: In this part, you must match five people to eight texts.

The people all want to attend a course. Read the descriptions of eight courses. Decide which course would be the most suitable for each person. For Questions 1-5, select the best course.

A - Form and Colour

This is year-long course is perfect for people who want to learn about how to use a camera and who want to take it up as a profession. Students will learn how to use light and shade, colour and different shapes. The course will also teach students to change their work using computer technology. Tips will be given on how best to get started in the profession.

B - Practice makes Perfect

Learn about how to use computer software to make your work life easier. This course is designed for people who use computers regularly as part of their career, but who feel they are unable to make the most of the technology. Learn about new software for storing documents and photographs and keeping records. This evening class runs for ten weeks from September to December.

C - Armchair Explorer

This is a series of daytime lectures by people who have lived and worked in wild places. Each of the six talks will focus on a different continent. Lecturers will show photographs of the animals and plants, and explain why they are only found in one area. Lecturers will include Leo Holland,

a scientist from the Antarctic project, and Milly Oliphant, who researches birds in the Amazon rainforest. Tea and Biscuits provided.

D - Art Starter

Are you interested in a career in art? If so, this full-time, eight-week course will be perfect for you. Learn about different methods used by artists, including painting, drawing, photography and computer design. Artists will create work for an exhibition which will be displayed in the Town Hall for one month in September. Top businessmen and women from the design industry will be invited to attend the exhibition, so this could be a great start to your career!

E - Wild Design

Whether you want a career in art, or you just want to enjoy your hobby, this holiday course is for you. Wild Design is a two-week summer course situated on the wild coast of South Wales. We teach all kinds of art, including photography and painting, and the wild sea, beautiful flowers and great wildlife will definitely give you lots of creative ideas. Even if you already have a good understanding of art, you are sure to learn something new from our team of professional tutors.

F - Explore your Imagination

Do you want to show your friends a photograph of you beside the Egyptian pyramids or in the jungles of Borneo? Well now you can tell your friends that you have travelled the world without actually leaving the country! Join this evening class and learn how to use the latest technology and software to change photographs to a professional standard. You will also learn how to make your own computer designs using the computer programmes used by professionals.

G - Technology for You

Do you feel as if everyone is using a computer except you? Join in this five-day course and learn the basics. You'll learn how to store your personal files, send emails and use simple programmes to write and print letters. In the afternoons you will have the choice of either learning how to make Birthday Cards and other designs on a computer, or you can join our 'Basic computers for Work' class.

H - Wildlife Photographer

Travel to a different wild place every week and learn how to take photographs of animals, plants and scenery. Our expert teachers will advise you how to take the best pictures. This course will run for six weeks on Saturdays. Students should already have a good understanding of photography and their own equipment. The class is suitable for everyone, as there is very little walking involved.

Question 1

Harriet is 71, and is interested in painting and drawing. She would like to go somewhere in the summer where she can learn new tips and paint attractive scenery.



Question 2

Belinda works for a large Art Company and she feels she needs to improve her computer skills. She already has a basic understanding of some common computer programmes, but she wants to learn how to organise her work and store information.



Question 3

Jenny is interested in a career in design, and wants to learn how to create art and change photographs using special computer programmes. She wants a course that will fit into her normal school day.



Question 4

George is unable to travel because he has difficulty walking, but he wants to learn more about the wildlife and scenery in different parts of the world.



Question 5

Chris wants a change in career, so he's looking for a full-time course in which he can learn everything there is to know about photography and how to use computers to change and sell his work.



PART 3: In this part of the exam, you need to read a long text and answer 5 multiple choice questions. Read the text and then answer questions 1-5.

Different Colours can affect us in many different ways; that's according to Verity Allen. In her new series 'Colour me Healthy', Verity looks at the ways that colours can influence how hard we work and the choices we make. They can even change our emotions and even influence how healthy we are.

'Have you ever noticed how people always use the same colours for the same things?' says Verity. 'Our toothpaste is always white or blue or maybe red. It's never green. Why not? For some reason we think that blue and white is clean, while we think of green products as being a bit disgusting. It's the same for businesses. We respect a company which writes its name in blue

or black, but we don't respect one that uses pink or orange. People who design new products can use these ideas to influence what we buy.'

During this four-part series, Verity studies eight different colours, two colours in each programme. She meets people who work in all aspects of the colour industry, from people who design food packets, to people who name the colours of lipsticks. Some of the people she meets clearly have very little scientific knowledge to support their ideas, such as the American 'Colour Doctor' who believes that serious diseases can be cured by the use of coloured lights. However, she also interviews real scientists who are studying the effects of green and red lights on mice, with some surprising results.

Overall, it's an interesting show, and anyone who watches it will probably find out something new. But because Verity goes out of her way to be polite to everyone she meets on the series, it's up to the viewers to make their own decisions about how much they should believe.

1

What is the writer doing in this text?

- giving information about how colours influence us
- reporting what happens in a new television series
- giving information about a television presenter
- giving his opinion of a recent television show

2

Which of the following shows the probable content of the four shows?

- Part 1 – Health; Part 2 – Products and Industry; Part 3 – Emotions; Part 4 – Decisions
- Part 1 – Blue and Black; Part 2 – Red and Orange; Part 3 – White and Grey; Part 4 – Green and Yellow
- Part 1 – Meeting Designers; Part 2 – Meeting People who Name Colours; Part 3 – Meeting Doctors; Part 4 – Meeting Scientists
- Part 1 – Cleaning Products; Part 2 – Make-up; Part 3 – Clothes; Part 4 – Food

3

According to Verity, why is a knowledge of colour important?

- It can help you to choose the best products.
- It can give you new ideas.
- It can help you to change people's minds.
- It can help you to sell products.

4

Who does the writer respect least?

- Verity Allen
- The people who name lipsticks
- The 'Colour Doctor'
- The scientists who work with mice

5

Which of the following would make a good title for the text?

- Enjoy it, but don't believe everything.
- Another great show from Verity Allen! Five Stars!
- Don't miss this if you work in Business!
- Watch this programme! It will make you healthy!

PART 4: Five sentences have been removed from the text below. Choose from the sentences A-G the one which fits each gap. There are three extra sentences which you do not need to use.

- A** Janet doesn't mind the lack of view.
- B** It wasn't strong enough even for one person to walk there.
- C** But he was pretty sure he could solve the problem.
- D** But it was possible to see into other flats from there.
- E** The view from the windows of the flat was incredible.
- F** The flat itself didn't attract her attention.
- G** These could then be covered with wood to make the garden more attractive.
- H** Garden plants could be planted directly into them

Janet Morris was looking for a flat to buy in London. When she saw a top floor flat in Hampstead, she knew this was the one she wanted. (1)_____ What she really liked was the flat roof just outside the large glass windows. She thought that she could turn it into a garden.

She bought the flat and contacted a garden designer, Terry Moore. But as soon as Terry saw the roof, he knew there was a problem. (2)_____ It certainly wasn't strong enough to support the weight of soil and plants. They are really heavy, especially when they become wet.

But Terry did not give up. He contacted an engineer for advice. The engineer said that it was possible to make the roof stronger. To do this, they would need to lay many long pieces of metal across the roof. (3)_____ It would not be cheap. But Janet didn't mind paying for it. After all, the roof garden was the reason she bought the flat.

Another problem was the view from the roof. Janet hoped to enjoy the views of London from her new garden. (4)_____ People like their homes to be private. They don't want strangers looking through their windows! Janet could only get permission to build her roof garden if there were no

views from it. So pots were fixed around the edge of the flat roof and tall bushes were planted inside. With these in place it was impossible to see into other people's homes. That solution satisfied the town planners. (5)_____ She says that her garden is cosy, and she can't hear the noise of the city traffic.

PART 5: In this part of the exam you need to fill 10 gaps in a short text.

Read the text below and choose the correct word for each space.

Easter Island



Easter Island is a small triangle of rock situated in the Pacific Ocean. It's about 2,000 miles (1)_____ the nearest city. Easter Island is (2) _____ for its statues. Hundreds of these huge, stone faces can be (3)_____ all over the island. Who made them? How (4)_____ move these giant pieces of rock? What happened (5)_____ people who lived there? Studies show that people (6)_____ arrived on the island about 1600 years ago. They had a very advanced culture. They made many objects and they had their (7) _____ language. However, the number of people on the island grew and grew (8)_____ it reached about 10,000 people. Soon there were too many people and there wasn't (9)_____ to eat. A terrible war started and (10)_____ of the statues were broken. When western explorers Select (11)_____ the island on Easter Day in 1722, the huge rock statues were the only sign that a great society had once lived there.

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| 1. A. for | B. from | C. on | D. by |
| 2. A. important | B. interesting | C. famous | D. fascinating |
| 3. A. looked | B. located | C. found | D. situated |
| 4. A. have | B. were | C. had | D. did |
| 5. A. to | B. with | C. about | D. for |
| 6. A. once | B. first | C. just | D. already |
| 7. A. only | B. own | C. clever | D. self |
| 8. A. so | B. until | C. although | D. because |
| 9. A. many | B. some | C. too | D. enough |
| 10. A. many | B. few | C. lot | D. enough |
| 11. A. invented | B. discovered | C. sailed | D. same |

PART 6: Fill one word in each gap.

Book Review

"Join Me" by Helen Wheeler and Jackie Townsend

When I first heard that my two favourite authors were going to write a book together, I was really excited. Now I have read the book, and although I found it enjoyable to read, I think that of the authors writes better on her own.

The story was a young woman who hires a man to become her boyfriend in order to get her dream job. She did this after finding out that the boss preferred to hire people were married or in a relationship as he considered them reliable. But to be honest, I found the situation rather unbelievable, as I don't think bosses can select employees that way these days. I tell you what happened as that would spoil the story for you. I'll just say that I was reading the book, I predicted what would happen. However, my prediction was wrong, and the ending was a pleasant surprise.

KEY ANSWER:

Part 1:

1. B
2. C
3. B
4. A
5. A

Part 2:

Q1: E

Q2: B

Q3: F

Q4: C

Q5: A

Part 3:

1. B
2. B
3. D

4. C

5. A

Part 4: 1 – F, 2 – B, 3 – G, 4 – D, 5 – A

Part 5: 1 – B, 2 – C, 3 – C, 4, - D, 5 – A, 6 – B, 7 – B, 8 – B, 9 – D, 10 – A, 11 – B

Part 6: each – about – who – more – won't - when