

## TEST 1

### LISTENING

**1. You will hear a dialogue. Determine which of the given statements AG correspond to the content of the text (1 - True), which do not correspond (2 - False) and which are not given in the text, i.e. it is impossible to give either a positive or negative answer based on the text (3 - Not said). You will listen to the recording twice.**

A Ruby spent a whole week revising her English.

B Ruby writes everything down to help her review.

C Cormac is bad at planning his audit time.

D Cormac almost failed his test because of a sporting event.

E Cormac and Ruby will both be rewatching this Sunday.

F Mr Briggs is the Head of the English Department.

G Ruby is invited to Sunday dinner at Cormac's house.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G

### READING

**2. Match the texts AG with headings 1-8. Each number can only be used once. There is one extra heading.**

A Prizes before pride

B Battle of the Mind

C Preparation and enjoyment

D Going to extremes

E Racing by necessity

F Inspired by others

G Striving for Gold

H Reaching the Peak

1

Sally Jones feels lucky to have grown up speaking two languages. She says being bilingual has helped her in her career choices because she recognised the value of knowing more than one language from an early age. As a result, she was determined to become a language teacher when she graduated from university. She has been teaching for a year now and hopes to continue teaching for many years to come.

2

As a public relations manager for a company that promotes leading sports tourism events, Natasha Pearce has travelled extensively. Staying in luxury hotels and flying first class around

the world is a perk of her job. She says: "I appreciate that I have had the opportunity to experience other countries in a way that only the very rich can."

3

Technology has finally arrived in the classroom. Teachers no longer have to rely on traditional "talk and chalk" methods to make their lessons interesting and understandable. Modern aids such as interactive whiteboards and other green technologies allow teachers to focus on the individual needs of their students.

4

Intrepid thrill seekers have developed another extreme sport that is starting to gain popularity. Daring participants in volcano surfing ride down the slopes of volcanoes on specially prepared boards at speeds of over 50 miles per hour. The sport can be dangerous as the surface is very uneven, with sharp jagged rocks that can cause injury if the surfer steps off their board. However, the sport has attracted a lot of interest and the number of participants is growing.

5

Volunteering is an ideal way to spend a few spare hours, especially for recently retired people who have many skills and a lot of time. Volunteer workers provide assistance in understaffed areas, such as hospitals, and provide support to the sick and vulnerable. Many volunteers get great satisfaction from their work and enjoy the feeling of being capable and productive.

6

Travel for many people has become a quest for adventure and exposure to different cultures and places. Traditional package holidays to popular European destinations are not for them. Climbing Everest or canoeing the Amazon are much more their style. Their main goal in traveling is to explore little-known places and try the unusual and dangerous.

7

Many retirees enjoy trying out a new sport in retirement. One of the most popular is lawn bowling. It is a sport that does not require much physical endurance and is safe for athletes of any age. But despite the fact that it is a very slow and calm game, it is a sport that requires a high degree of skill. Participants take the game very seriously and practice for many hours before games.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7

## USE OF ENGLISH

*Read the texts below. If necessary, transform the words in brackets so that they grammatically match the content of the texts.*

Out of date?

Karen woke up long before her alarm was supposed to go off. She had set it for seven, although she didn't really need to. She had an important job interview this morning and was afraid of 3) \_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) late!

Karen jumped out of bed. She took a shower, got dressed and ran downstairs to the kitchen where her mother was eating breakfast all by 4) \_\_\_\_\_ (her) .

"Well, good morning," she said to her daughter, a little surprised. "You don't usually get up this early on Sunday mornings!" Karen looked shocked. "You mean it's not Monday?" she breathed. "If I had known, I 5) \_\_\_\_\_ (not bother) !"

### Staircase racing

Staircase racing - racing an opponent down the stairwells of a skyscraper – 6) \_\_\_\_\_ (**consider**) by many to be the new fitness craze in America.

These races are held in many high-rise buildings, but one of the most famous is the Empire State Building. It 7) \_\_\_\_\_ (**establish**) in 1977, making it the oldest of its kind.

In the ESB challenge you climb 86 floors, climbing a total of 1,576 steps! The fastest speed is 10 minutes - a record that 8) \_\_\_\_\_ (**not beat**) yet!

No doubt the popularity of the ESB run 9) \_\_\_\_\_ (**spread**) thanks to its association with King Kong, the gorilla who climbed the Empire State Building in the famous 1933 film.

*Read the text below. Form derivatives from the words written in brackets and marked with numbers 1-6 so that they correspond to the content of the text grammatically and lexically.*

### The Last Frontier

October 4, 1957. The USSR took the world by surprise when they 10) \_\_\_\_\_ (**successful**) launched the first artificial satellite into space. The event 11) \_\_\_\_\_ (**effect**) marked the beginning of the space age. which the United States would join four months later when they announced the launch of their first satellite.

Following the collapse of the Soviet Union, the Soviet space program became known as the Russian Federal Space Agency (RSA). This 12) \_\_\_\_\_ (**govern**) agency controls Russia's space science program and general aerospace research. While the RSA is headquartered in Moscow, its primary spaceflight 13) \_\_\_\_\_ (**operate**) center is located in Korolev. Both manned and unmanned launches are conducted from facilities in Kazakhstan and 14) \_\_\_\_\_ (**north**) Russia.

Anatoly Perminov is the CEO of RSA. Under his leadership, the program has become stronger and more 15) \_\_\_\_\_ (**effect**).