Mid-Year Listening Test

Part 1

You will hear five short conversations. There is one question for each conversation. For each question, choose the right answer (A, B or C).

1 Where is the new student from?
W How is the new student, Eric?
M He's very interesting, Mum. He's only been in the UK for two weeks. He's just moved here from Spain.
W I see. Well, you can tell him about your trip to Italy last summer.
M That's a good idea.

2 What is Mary going to wear?
W I can't decide what to wear today. It's a bit cold now, but it will be warm later.
M Why don't you wear your new trousers?
W I want to, but I'm afraid I'll be too hot. I think a dress is a better idea.
M OK, but don't wear your leather boots with it.

3 Where does Tom like to learn new things the most?
W You can learn a lot of new things outside of school, Tom.
M That's right. You can visit museums and learn about all kinds of things there.
W I agree, but I like going online and looking up information on the Internet best.
M Yes, but reading is my favourite way to learn, so I prefer to be around books.

4 How will Beth get to the football match?
M Beth, do you need me to drive you to the football game this afternoon?
W No thanks, Dad. I'm going to Sarah's house first because we're going together.
M Are you taking the bus to her house?
W Yes, and then we're going by tram to the game.

5 What time does Henry's exam start?
W Are you nervous about your exam tomorrow, Henry?
M Not really. I've studied a lot, and I'm going to arrive at half past ten, so I have time to study a bit more before it starts.
W Oh good, it starts at twelve o'clock, doesn't it? That will give you an hour and a half to study.
M No, I'll only have half an hour because it begins at eleven.

Part 2

Listen to a conversation between Tyler and his friend Cherie about going to a museum. For each question, choose the right answer (A, B or C).

T Shall we go to a museum this Saturday, Cherie?
C That's a great idea. Which museum? There's the art museum and the history museum. They're both quite nice.
T Yes, they are, but there's a new coin museum, which sounds cool. It's got money from countries all over the world.
C Oh, that sounds good. Let's go there. The other museums are in the city centre. Where is this one?
T It's in Hamilton Park. It's in the building that used to be an old theatre.
C I know the place that you're talking about. So, what else do you know about the museum?
T It's got collections from ancient times. There are old coins which the Greeks and the Chinese used to use. But what I really want to see is the Aztec collection.
C Cool. Do you have to pay to get in? The museums in the city centre cost four pounds, and it's often an extra two pounds to see the special exhibits.
T No, it's free. We don't pay anything!
C Great! Would you like to come to my house first on Saturday afternoon? Then we can walk there together.
T Actually, can we meet at Glen's Bookshop? I need to buy a book and it's on the way to the museum. Then we can have a coffee after the museum if you like.
C OK. Let's meet there at two o'clock then.
T Good idea. See you then!

Part 3

You will hear a girl, Donna, asking a friend about driving lessons. Listen and complete the questions.

D Hi, Michael. It's Donna.
M Hi, Donna. How are you?
D I'm fine, thanks. I'm calling to ask you about your driving lessons. Yesterday you said that you were really happy with your teacher.
M Yes, that's right. He's nice and very helpful. He works for Brighton Driving School, by the way.
D Can you tell me his name?
M Yes, it's Don Phillips.
D Could you spell his surname, please?
M Yes, it's P-H-I-L-L-I-P-S
D Are the lessons expensive? My parents are going to pay for them and they'd like to know how much they are.
M It's twenty-three pounds for an hour. That's not bad, really. Other driving schools charge over twenty-five pounds for a lesson. I know because we looked around.
D I see. Where is the driving school exactly?
M It's next to the supermarket on Green Road. There's a big sign above the school, so it's difficult to miss.
D Great. Do you happen to have the phone number?
M Yes, just a second. Here it is, 01389 735 624.
D Wonderful, thanks for your help. I'm really looking forward to this.
M Yeah, like I said, the teacher is great. It takes quite a few hours of lessons of course, but it's good fun. Mr Phillips is usually very busy so try calling him after 6 pm.
D OK, I'll give him a call on Friday evening.

Part 4

You will hear a teacher giving information about a class trip. Listen and complete the questions.

Good morning everyone. I want to tell you about the class trip because it's only a few days away. As you all know, we're visiting Dover Castle on Friday to learn about English history. It's going to be a fun day outside the classroom and I'm sure we'll enjoy it. Of course,

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it's also a learning experience, so I expect some things from you as well.

Now, there are going to be four groups of six students. Each group will be responsible for discovering a specific detail of the castle. For example, when the castle was built, who built it and why. We'll set up the groups before we go and I'll tell you what you need to look for when you're there.

It will be an all-day event. We're leaving the school at half past eight in the morning to go to the train station. Anyone who is not at school at that time will be left behind. The train leaves at nine forty-five and we can't be late. I know all of you will be on time because you won't want to miss this exciting day!

Don't forget your mobile phones so that we can call you if we need to and also so that you can take lots of photos. You can bring some money with you if you want to buy a souvenir from one of the shops at the castle. As you know, entrance to the museum is free for school visits and you've already paid for your lunch. We're all going to have lunch together at the lovely Great Tower café. Right, let's set up the groups now so you know who you'll be with on Friday.

End-of-Year Listening Test

Part 1

You will hear five short conversations. There is one question for each conversation. For each question, choose the right answer (A, B or C).

1 What will the woman have for lunch?
M Are you ready to order?
W Yes, I'll have the grilled chicken with vegetables, please.
M I'm sorry, there's no chicken today. Would you like the lasagne or the meatballs with rice instead?
W I think I'll have the meatballs and rice. And just water, please.

2 What happened at the doctor's office?
M Are you feeling better?
W Not really. I took my temperature this morning and it was a little high, so I went to see the doctor. He looked in my ears and my mouth, and then he checked my heart.
M Oh, I see. What did he say?
W He said I had an infection and he told me to take some pills. I'm going to get them from the chemist's later today.

3 Which animal did the boy give food to?
W How was the school trip to the farm?
M It was terrific! We saw a lot of farm animals, such as cows and horses. I wanted to give one of the horses an apple, but my teacher said no.
W Hmm. Maybe it's not a good idea to get so close to one, in case the horse gets scared.
M They let us feed the chickens, though, and that was a lot of fun.

4 Where did the man first realise he had car trouble?
W I heard about your car trouble. That's too bad!
M I'm very glad it didn't happen while I was driving along the motorway. I thought there was a problem when I reached the crossroads. You know, the crossroads just before the tunnel. But, I decided to keep driving.
W Then what happened?
M Well, we were lucky; there was a place in the tunnel where we could stop the car. So we called road service and they came to help.

5 Which instrument has the boy had lessons for?
M When did you start flute lessons?
W Two months ago and it's going really well. I'm enjoying it although the flute wasn't my first choice of instrument. I wanted to learn the trumpet, but my mum wasn't keen on that.
M Oh really? I've taken trumpet lessons. I really enjoyed them. It's my favourite instrument, actually.
W I also wanted to play the guitar, but we couldn't find a teacher.

Part 2

Listen to John talking to Beth about holidays. Which place did each person go to when they were on holiday? For each question, write a letter A-F next to each person.

J How was Australia, Beth?
B It was an amazing holiday. We spent a lot of time swimming and exploring the beaches. One day, we even went on a boat trip to the Great Barrier Reef and went diving. It was incredible to see the brightly coloured fish. I'm so glad we didn't go camping by the lake as we normally do. That's so boring!
J I think I had the most boring holiday this year. I spent most of the summer with my parents in our house up in the mountains – as usual.
B Poor you! Did you hear about Sarah's holiday?
J Yes, I did! She was so lucky – a trip down the River Nile. Cool!
B She said she liked the Pyramids best.
J My cousin Eric had a cool holiday with his family too. They visited Kenya and went on safari. They also spent a few days in the rainforest and saw some beautiful birds and lots of monkeys.
B Monkeys? That is cool. Definitely more interesting than the animals in the wood behind my house!
J Yes, you're right!
B My cousin, Dan, went to Jersey. Have you ever been there?
J Is Jersey the British island that's actually closer to France than it is to England?
B Yes, that's the one. He enjoyed his holiday and it was sunny every day.

Part 3

Listen to a conversation between Wendy and Jackie about a party. For each question, choose the right answer (A, B or C).

W Are you still having a pyjama party for your birthday this year, Jackie?
J Yes, but I'm not thinking about that yet. My birthday's next month. I'm helping my brother organise a fancy-dress party for his birthday, which is next week, and ... surprise ... you're invited! It's on Saturday. You will be able to come, won't you?
W Of course I will! What are you going to dress up as?
J I was thinking of a Chinese dragon, but it needs two people so I'll probably dress up as a rock star. It's easier.
W I agree. I dressed up as a horse once ... well, my sister Tina and I dressed up as a horse. Everyone loved it, but we couldn't dance and it was difficult to just move around in. We wore it all evening, though!

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J OK, maybe you should find a different costume this time!
W Yes, I will. Is there anything you'd like me to bring to the party?
J I think we've got everything. We're putting all the food and drink in the kitchen and we're having music and dancing in the living room. The only rule is that we can't go outside because our shoes will get dirty in the garden.
W No problem. What time should I come?
J We've told people to come at about six o'clock, but you can come earlier if you like. We're going to start getting everything ready after lunch. Why don't you come round and help us?
W OK. I've got swimming until two, but I think I can be there at about three.
J Great! I'm so glad you're coming. We'll have a great time!

Part 4

You will hear a man telephoning a health clinic. Listen and complete the questions.

W Good morning, Regency Health Clinic. How can I help you?
M Yes, hello. I'm new to the area and I want to make an appointment to see a doctor next week, please.
W OK. I can help you with that. Now, the clinic is closed on a Monday and it's open from Tuesday to Friday. Unfortunately, there are only two appointments left for next week. They're both on Friday. One is at 9.15 in the morning and the other is at 2.30 in the afternoon. Which one do you prefer?
M I prefer Friday morning. Did you say 9.15?
W Yes, that's right.
M And can you tell me how much the visit will cost?
W Of course. If you have a medical plan, then it's ten pounds fifty. If you don't have a plan, then it's forty-two pounds.
M OK. I have a medical plan, so it will be ten pounds fifty.
W That's right. Now can you give me your name please?
M Yes. It's Mr David Leicester.
W Can you spell that for me?
M Yes. It's L-E-I-C-E-S-T-E-R.
W Thank you, Mr Leicester. Now shall I give you the address of the clinic?
M No, I think I know where you are. It's 65 Whitestone Road, isn't it?
W No, it isn't 65 Whitestone Road. We're at number *60* Whitestone Road. You'll see a sign in front of the building and there's a large chemist's next to us.
M OK. Thank you very much for your help.
W You're welcome. See you on Friday.

Part 5

You will hear a radio announcer giving information about a food fair. Listen and complete the questions.

And now here's something for all you food lovers out there. The Woodbridge Food Fair is taking place this Saturday ... er ... no, that's this Sunday. Sorry, I meant to say this Sunday. So bring your appetites and get ready to enjoy some fabulous tastes.

This year's event is a bit different. There are going to be three separate areas with foods from three different regions of the world: *At Home*, *Asian Corner* and *Europa*. The 'At Home' area will have traditional foods from Britain, featuring English, Scottish, Welsh and Irish dishes. The 'Asian Corner' will have delicious snacks mainly from India but also Thailand and Indonesia. Lastly, 'Europa' will have tasty deserts from many European countries.

Cookery shows will take place throughout the day. Celebrity Chef Jason Mills will show us how to make his famous chocolate cake at 3 o'clock. That should be wonderful to watch. There will also be a number of cooking competitions throughout the day. The first one starts at 10.30 in the morning. Then there is another at 2 o'clock and the last one is at 4.30 pm. They should be great fun to watch.

Tickets to the show can be bought on the day. They are fifteen pounds each and children under 12 don't pay at all. At the fair, you'll be able to taste a lot of the food and hopefully learn about some new foods. So, if you do go along, have fun!

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