





HIPPO 2018

6th International English Language Competition

Semifinal Round

HIPPO 2 CEER A2

Reading

Time allowed: 35 minutes.

Instructions

- Do **not** open this paper until you are told to do so by the supervisor.
- You may **not** use a dictionary.
- Read each question carefully.
- Select the correct answer and then mark your selection on your answersheet.
- Make sure you only mark one answer for each question.



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PART ONE

Read the following text and select True (A), False (B) or Not in Text (C) in answer to each of the statements that follow. Mark your answers on your answer sheet.

THE NORFOLK BROADS

What are the Norfolk Broads?

The Norfolk Broads are group of rivers and lakes in the east of England. The area is a national park and people call it "Britain's Magical Waterland". Tourists from all over the world visit the Norfolk Broads to have a holiday on a boat and enjoy the beautiful scenery. More than seven million people visited the Norfolk Broads last year. Not everybody want to stay on a boat; you can also stay in a cottage or a small hotel. There are many walking cycling paths through beautiful countryside. There are also many waterside cafes and restaurants that sell delicious food.

The history of the Norfolk Broads

the Norfolk Broads are man-made waterways created by digging for peat, which is used to make fires. Digging for peat began in the 12th century and continued for 200 years until the 14th century when the area flood with water, making a wetland rich in wildlife. The people who lived there cut the tall grass and used it to make roofs their homes. In the 16th century, the city of Norfolk was the second largest city in England after London. Boats called wherries were used on the broads to transport food and building materials. In the 19th century, boating became popular and people began traveling to Norfolk for their holidays.

Wildlife on the Norfolk Broads

The Norfolk Broads are home to some of the rarest plant and animals not found anywhere else in Britain, or the world. There are more than 250 different plants, including Britain's tallest grass. One special plant is food for the rare swallowtail butterfly. Birdwatchers may be lucky enough to see a kingfisher or a cormorant, or even a rare bird called a bittern. Many small animals live in that area, including otters and water voles. You can also see Chinese water deer and, on the coast near Hornsey, you will find grey seals. In the evenings, soon after sunset, you can see bats flying low over the water, looking for food.

1 The Norfolk Broads are in the north of England.

- A True
- **B** False
- **C** Not in Text
- 2 The Norfolk Broads are a popular place for holidays.
 - A True
 - **B** False
 - **C** Not in Text
- **3** Most of the tourist are European.
 - A True
 - **B** False
 - **C** Not in Text

4 In the 12th century the area became a wetland.

- A True
- **B** False
- **C** Not in Text

5 Norfolk used to be bigger that London.

- A True
- **B** False
- **C** Not in Text

6 A wherry was a kind of boat.

- A True
- **B** False
- **C** Not in Text
- 7 Tourists first came to the Norfolk Broads in the 19th century.
 - A True
 - **B** False
 - **C** Not in Text
- 8 Norfolk is famous for its chees.
 - A True
 - **B** False
 - **C** Not in Text
- 9 Britain`s tallest grass grows in Norfolk.
 - **A** True
 - **B** False
 - **C** Not in Text
- 10 The are is a good place to see rare birds.
 - A True
 - **B** False
 - **C** Not in Text

PARTTWO

Read the conversation and then answer the questions on the next page. Mark your answers on your answer sheet.



Good afternoon. Norfolk Tourist Information, Hannah speaking. How can I help you?

Hello. My name's Arthur Cook. My family and I want to spend a week in the Norfolk in the summer and we need somewhere to stay. Can you tell me what is available, please?





Were you thinking of staying on a boat, in a hotel or camping?

I am not sure. Not camping, because we went camping last year. My wife is a bit worried about staying on a boat. She thinks they aren`t safe, so she prefers a hotel. But the children are very excited about the idea of sleeping on a boat.





Please tell your wife not to worry. The boats are very safe and the instructions are very easy to follow. There is always someone to help you

That's good to know. There will be six of us: myself, my wife, our two teenage daughters , our 10-year-old soon and his friend, who is the same age. Are there any boats big enough for six people?



Yes, of course. Some boats can sleep up to 10 people.

Can you tell me the cost of a boat for six people for one week, please?





The cheapest boat company is in Norwich. Its prices start at £ 400 at this time of year, but in the summer the cost increases to about £ 650.

Does that include everything?





Almost everything. You have to buy your own fuel for the boat's engine and you need to bring your own food, of course. That sound perfect. If I give you my address, will you send me some more information about boating holidays? and I`d like to know more about what there is to see and do in Norfolk, please.





Yes of course. I can email the information to you, if you prefer.

My internet isn`t working very well at the moment, so post it better. My address is 56 Ribby Road, Preston, Lancashire, PR3 2HT.





I'll put in the post for you today, Mr Cook. Thank you for calling.

Thank you for your help. Goodbye.



11 Arthur wants

- **A** to go camping
- **B** a week's holiday in the summer
- **C** to stay in the hotel
- 12 Arthur`s wife thinks a boat will be
 - **A** unsafe
 - **B** too small
 - **C** too expensive
- 13 The cost of a boat includes
 - **A** fuel for a boat`s engine
 - **B** food
 - **C** everything but fuel and food
- 14 Hannah promises to contact Arthur
 - **A** by phone
 - **B** by email
 - **C** by post
- 15 They do NOT talk about
 - **A** who is going on holiday
 - **B** how much it will cost
 - **C** how they will travel to Norwich

PART THREE

Read about these four books (A, B, C and D) and then choose the best book for each person on the next page. Mark your answers on your answer sheet.



Freda Lomax, who is one of Britain's most popular children's writers, tells a story of murder and magic, set in sunny Spain. This is her third book about the famous Scottish detective, Andy Mackintosh. Only £2.99



A summer holiday turns into an exciting adventure when two schoolgirls travel back in time to ancient Greece. You won't be able to put this book down. The perfect book to read on holiday. Only £3.99

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What would you do if you turned into a wolf? One of the funniest books you will ever read, and one of the scariest! Wilson is also an artist and the book has some of his colourful drawings. Just £5.99



Peter Hamilton's latest book is a frightening view of the future. A story of a team of scientists who are fighting for the survival of our planet. Just £10.99

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I am from Japan and I like to read other countries. I enjoy adventure stories but I only have £3 to spend.

I don't like to read anything serious. I like a book that makes me laugh

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I'm going to Italy next week and I want to have something read on the beach. I love to read about ancient history.

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I read almost anything but I prefer science fiction.

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I find history books boring. I prefer books with pistures in them.

PART FOUR

Select the correct answer (A, B, C or D) to II the gaps in the conversations. Mark your answers on your answer sheet.

A isn't it 21 **B** wasn't he This is the next bus to Camden,.....? **C** wasn't it **D** isn't he A does it 22 **B** doesn't it Your Brother prefers rock music,.....? **C** don't they **D** doesn't he **A** were they 23 **B** don't they Both pupies are really cute,....? **C** are they **D** aren`t they A didn`t you 24 You put sugar in my coffee,.....? **B** is it **C** did I **D** won`t you **A** isn't it 25 **B** aren't you Dr Hall is a very good doctor,....? **C** isn't he **D** wasn't he

PART FIVE

Read each question and then choose the correct answer (A, B or C). Mark your answers on your answer sheet.

- 26 Are you well?
 - A Maybe he is
 - B Yes, thank you
 - **C** Yesterday
- 27 When is our last science class?
 - A Last night
 - **B** In about an hour
 - **C** It lasts about an hour
- 28 What happens when the sun shines?
 - A I got sunburnt
 - **B** I stay indors
 - **C** I went to the seaside

- 29 Where is Brighton?
 - A It's a town
 - **B** It's bigger that Dover
 - **C** It's on the coast
- **30** Did you used to go to my school?
 - A Yes, I used it
 - **B** Yes, please
 - **C** Yes, I did

PART SIX

Choose the correct answer (A, B or C) to fill the numbered gaps. Mark your answers on your answer sheet.

Jellyfish Warning

If you are going for a swim 31 The Mediterranean Sea today, be very
careful. There are reports of large numbers 32 Jellyfish off the coast
of France and Italy, which are making swimming dangerous 33
Tourists. A 40-year-old man 34 Australia said "I was swimming close
to my hotel in St Tropez yesterday, when 35 I saw hundreds of
jellyfish next to me in the water. I was very frightened 36 I hate
jellyfish. "But, Alain Lavelle, of the Mediterranean Tourist Organisation said, "There is no need
for tourist to be afraid. They are not the kind of jellyfish 37 Sting. Thr
jellyfish will 38 falls". If you
see any jellyfish 39 You are swimming, please ring this number (0115
382 837) 40 you can.

31	A B C	on it at	34	A B C	from to at	37	A B C	whom who that
32	A B C	if off of	35	A B C	recently suddenly at least	38	A B C	next first soon
33	A B C	for four at	36	A B C	so because why	39	A B C	when why if
						40	A B C	at last as soon as at once

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Candidate Number





1. Write about a film you've seen recently. (Write about 60 words.)

2. Complete the text with a suitable word in each gap.

Yesterday it ⁽¹⁾_____ all day, so I decided to stay at home. Lara and Nick ⁽²⁾_____ over and ⁽³⁾_____ me re-arrange the furniture. ⁽⁴⁾_____ that we cooked some pasta ⁽⁵⁾_____ tomato sauce and cheese. Nick washed the dishes ⁽⁶⁾_____ Lara and I prepared a quick delicious dessert with ice-cream. While we ⁽⁷⁾_____ eating the dessert, we decided ⁽⁸⁾_____ watch a horror movie. I like horror movies but I am always scared to watch ⁽⁹⁾_____ alone. In the evening, when the rain stopped, we went ⁽¹⁰⁾_____ a walk around the neighbourhood.

3. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs.

- I (11)_____ (not listening) when the teacher (12)_____ (tell) us about the test, and now I (13)_____ (not know) if I am prepared enough.
- We ⁽¹⁴⁾_____ (already/make) plans for next spring, we ⁽¹⁵⁾_____ (visit) our relatives in Portugal.
- I ⁽¹⁶⁾_____ (be) very happy, if the teacher ⁽¹⁷⁾_____ (not give) us a test today.
- Hey guys, what about ⁽¹⁸⁾_____ (go) to the theme park next weekend?
- Our teacher usually ⁽¹⁹⁾_____ (take) us on a one-day trip, but this term we ⁽²⁰⁾_____ (spend) a whole weekend in Dublin.

4. Decide if the sentences are correct (T) or incorrect (F). Correct the incorrect ones.

21. Simon hasn't done any homework last week.

22. I think I will go to the cinema tonight.

23. If he isn't here on time, I will be very mad.

24. Larry plays the drums perfect.

25. It is a very nicely dress you are wearing.

26. My mother didn't meet my new teacher yet.

27. What do you think about a book I lent you last month?

28. How long has your sister been in Spain?

29. We live in a nice house on the Butterfly Street.

30. I think Brad was born in april.