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**HIPPO 2019**  
**7<sup>th</sup> International English Language Olympiad**  
**IESOL Assessment Reading**  
**RQF Level: Entry 1**  
**(CEFR Level: A1)**  
**Candidate Booklet – Reading**  
**HIPPO 2**  
**Preliminary Round**

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANDIDATES:**

- Do NOT turn over the page until instructed.
- This examination is made up of 3 TASKS.
- Answer all the questions.
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**Time allowed:** 30 minutes

**Total marks available:** 34

## Reading Task 1

Read the sentences. Circle the best option – a, b, or c - to complete each gap. An example has been done for you.

Example: I usually have \_\_\_\_\_ at 7 o'clock in the morning.

- a) breakfast                      b) lunch                      c) dinner

1. My favourite day of the week is \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) Sunday                      b) winter                      c) January
2. Mary got a new toy for her birthday: a \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) dress                      b) door                      c) doll
3. I can't meet you today \_\_\_\_\_ I have a lot of homework.  
a) and                      b) but                      c) because
4. The train to London leaves \_\_\_\_\_ four o'clock.  
a) on                      b) at                      c) in
5. My aunt and uncle \_\_\_\_\_ in a small town.  
a) write                      b) learn                      c) live
6. Jack is a good student – he \_\_\_\_\_ does his homework.  
a) never                      b) sometimes                      c) always
7. I'm in the \_\_\_\_\_ - I'm cleaning my teeth.  
a) bathroom                      b) kitchen                      c) bedroom
8. My brother is \_\_\_\_\_ than me at painting.  
a) good                      b) better                      c) the best
9. I'm going to \_\_\_\_\_ my grandmother this weekend.  
a) wait                      b) visit                      c) write
10. How much does the room \_\_\_\_\_ ? It's £60 per night.  
a) cost                      b) is                      c) pay

## Reading Task 2 - A

Read the text and answer the questions below. Circle the correct option, a, b, or c. An example has been done for you.

### My House

My name is Sam. I live with my family in a very old house in a small village. The house is quite big: it has a big kitchen, a dining room and a living room downstairs, and there are four bedrooms and a small bathroom on the first floor. There is a table in the kitchen with ten chairs around it. It is my favourite room in the house! We always eat breakfast in the kitchen, and other meals in the dining room.

My bedroom is big and light – I can see the back garden from the window. When my friends come to visit, we always play in my bedroom.

The road in front of the house is not very busy. There are only twenty houses in the village, so there are not many cars. We don't have a shop in the village. If you want to go shopping, you need to go to a town. It only takes ten minutes on the bus.

**Example: Sam lives:**

- ☒ a) in a village
- b) in a town
- c) in a city

**11. Sam's house is:**

- a) small and old.
- b) big and old.
- c) big and new.

**12. Sam's favourite room is:**

- a) his bedroom.
- b) the kitchen.
- c) the living room.

**13. Where does the family eat dinner?**

- a) In the kitchen.
- b) In the dining room.
- c) In the living room.

**14. What can Sam see from his bedroom?**

- a) The back garden.
- b) Other houses.
- c) The road.

**15. When friends visit, they play:**

- a) in the living room.
- b) in the garden.
- c) in his bedroom.

**16. Where is the shop?**

- a) Next to the house.
- b) In the village.
- c) In a town.

## Reading Task 2 - B

Read the text and fill in the gaps below. Circle the correct option, a, b, or c. An example has been done for you.

(Example) \_\_\_\_\_ Ella!

I am writing to invite 17) \_\_\_\_\_ to my birthday party. I'm going to be eleven! It is on Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> of June, and it will start at 10 o'clock 18) \_\_\_\_\_ the morning. The party will be in my garden, 19) \_\_\_\_\_ I hope the weather is going to be sunny!

We are going to play games and have pizza and ice-cream. I really 20) \_\_\_\_\_ to have a lot of colourful balloons in the garden. I'm also inviting other friends from school to the party. My grandparents are going to be there too – 21) \_\_\_\_\_ are really lovely. I really hope that you 22) \_\_\_\_\_ come.

Are you going to do anything for your birthday?

Your friend,

Sam

Example:

☒ a)

Hi

b) Welcome

c) Happy

17. a) me

b) her

c) you

18. a) in

b) on

c) at

19. a) and

b) but

c) or

20. a) make

b) want

c) be

21. a) we

b) they

c) he

22. a) should

b) must

c) can

## Reading Task 3 - A

Read the three texts and answer the questions below. An example has been done for you.

### Holiday A

#### BEACH HOLIDAY

A perfect family holiday to remember.  
Enjoy the clean sea and soft sands of the  
Spanish coast.

How long: 14 nights  
Price: £1150 per person or £3500 for a  
family of four (flights and hotel).

June and July dates only.  
Telephone number: 0866 545 363

### Holiday B

#### A WEEK IN THE MOUNTAINS

This is a great holiday for people who like  
long walks in the mountains.

Camping trips available.

No children under 5 years of age.

How long: 7 nights  
Price: only £480 per person

Dates from April to October.  
Call us on: 05684 454 454

### Holiday C

#### VISIT LONDON FOR A LONG WEEKEND

Attractions: Buckingham Palace, the Tower of London, St. Paul's  
Cathedral and many more!

Friday to Sunday - only £299  
2 nights in a 3 star hotel, breakfast and evening meal

Contact LONDON HOLIDAYS on [info@londonholidays.co.uk](mailto:info@londonholidays.co.uk).

Which holiday...

Party

**Example:** is in the United Kingdom?

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23. is the shortest?

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24. is the most expensive?

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25. is not for small children?

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26. is only in the summer?

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27. can you email about?

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28. is good for people who like swimming?

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## Reading Task 3 - B

Choose the correct question to match the given answer. Circle the correct option, a, b, or c.  
An example has been done for you.

**Example:**

- a) When's your birthday?  
☒ b) How old are you? I'm twelve years old.  
 c) Where do you live?

**29.**

- a) Can you swim?  
 b) Do you like swimming? Once a week.  
 c) How often do you swim?

**30.**

- a) Excuse me, where is the bus station? Yes, it is.  
 b) Excuse me, is this the bus station?  
 c) Are you looking for the bus station?

**31.**

- a) Did you watch the film last night?  
 b) What time is the film? No, it was too late.  
 c) What film are you watching?

**32.**

- a) Can you help me with this please?  
 b) Do you need some help? Yes, please.  
 c) Is this difficult for you?

**33.**

- a) Do you prefer some fruit or biscuits? Yes, I 'm very hungry.  
 b) Are there any biscuits in the house?  
 c) Would you like something to eat?

**34.**

- a) What time is it now?  
 b) What time is the party? It's at half past seven tonight.  
 c) Are you going to Katy's party?



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**Guide time:** Approx. 20 minutes    **Total marks available:** 22

## Listening Task 1

Listen to six people asking questions. Circle the best response – a, b, or c.

You have one minute to read the questions before the recording is played.

There is an example.

Example Speaker.

- a) Fifteen pounds.
- ☒ b) At quarter past two.
- c) From platform two.

35. Speaker 1.

- a) Here you are.
- b) You're welcome.
- c) I'd like to.

38. Speaker 4.

- a) Yes, I have five euros.
- b) Yes please.
- c) It is expensive.

36. Speaker 2.

- a) Yes, I do.
- b) Yes, I am.
- c) Yes, I like it.

39. Speaker 5.

- a) It's quite big.
- b) I'm going shopping.
- c) It's near the bank.

37. Speaker 3.

- a) I can swim.
- b) I quite like it.
- c) You swim well.

40. Speaker 6.

- a) I don't like red.
- b) It's £20.
- c) It's there, next to the coats.

## Listening Task 2

Listen to four short conversations. Circle the correct answer – a, b, or c.

You have one minute to read the questions before the recording is played.

There is an example.

**Example: Where are the speakers?**

- a) At school.
- b) At home.
- ☒ c) In a shop.

**41. The girl likes:**

- a) cats.
- b) dogs.
- c) cats and dogs.

**43. When is Anna going to visit her Grandad?**

- a) At two o'clock.
- b) Before the party.
- c) After the party.

**42. When are the boys going to meet?**

- a) On Saturday.
- b) On Sunday.
- c) After the weekend.

**44. How did Katy travel to France?**

- a) By plane.
- b) By car.
- c) By train.

## Listening Task 3

Listen to the conversation and answer the questions. Circle the correct answer – a, b, or c.

You have one minute to read the questions before the recording is played.

**Example: Who is Mila?**

- ☒ a) A new student.
- b) A new teacher.
- c) A parent.

**45. How old is Mila?**

- a) 6.
- b) 10.
- c) 16.

**46. Where does Mila come from?**

- a) Germany.
- b) Spain.
- c) The UK.

47. What languages does Mila speak?

- a) German, Spanish and English.
- b) German and English.
- c) Spanish and English.

49. Mila's favourite player is:

- a) Michael Jordan.
- b) Elias Harry.
- c) Elias Harris.

48. What is Mila's favourite hobby?

- a) Reading books.
- b) Watching TV.
- c) Playing basketball.

50. Mila wants to be a:

- a) basketball player.
- b) doctor.
- c) teacher.

## Listening Task 4

Listen and answer the questions. Circle 'true' or 'false'.

You have one minute to read the questions before the recording is played.

There is an example.

Example:

Somebody wants to find the train station.

True

False

51. The swimming pool is not far.

True

False

52. You can get there in 5 minutes.

True

False

53. The swimming pool is next to the post office.

True

False

54. Bus number 3 goes to the swimming pool.

True

False

55. The bus ticket costs £3.

True

False

56. The swimming pool opens at 9 o'clock.

True

False