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TEST**

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Please check the table below for the total time given to complete the written test at this level and score points available for each section. Please use the accompanying audio files for sections 1–3. Answer keys and transcripts are provided at the back of this document.

Section	Skills	Score points	Level A1	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
1	Listening	10	1 hour 15 mins	1 hour 35 mins	1 hour 35 mins	2 hours	2 hours 30 mins	2 hours 55 mins
2	Listening and writing	10						
3	Listening	10						
4	Reading	5						
5	Reading	5						
6	Reading	8						
7	Reading	7						
8	Writing	10						
9	Writing	10						

The written test is scored out of **75 points** in total at all levels. Please see the Guide to PTE General at this level for further information.

Please note: The design of the practice tests is not identical to actual PTE General tests, however the content is equivalent.

This is the Pearson Test of English General Practice Test, to prepare for the Pearson English International Certificate, Level 2.

This test takes 1 hour and 35 minutes.

SECTION 1



You have ten seconds to read each question and the corresponding options. Then listen to the recording. After the recording you will have 10 seconds to choose the correct option. Put a cross in the box next to the correct answer, as in the example.

Example: Where has the man asked the woman to go later?

- A cinema
- B restaurant
- C university

1. What does the customer want to be repaired?

- A her shoe
- B her skirt
- C her shorts

2. What subject does she teach?

- A Mathematics
- B Geography
- C Science

3. Where are the two people?

- A airport
- B bank
- C phone shop

4. The woman is talking about a

A history book

B painting

C film

5. Where is the man?

A train

B bus

C plane

6. The man wants

A a new motorcycle

B his motorcycle to be repaired

C to fix his motorcycle himself

7. What is the weather like?

A sunny

B windy

C rainy

8. What kind of sports will be played in the afternoon?

A water sports

B team sports

C racket sports

9. The boy's mother recently bought him a

A laptop

B tablet

C video game

10. What are they talking about?

- A a wedding ring
- B a wedding photograph
- C a wedding anniversary

SECTION 2



You will hear a recording about jewellery design. Listen to the whole recording once. Then you will hear the recording again with pauses for you to write down what you hear. Make sure you spell the words correctly.

SECTION 3 (PART A)



You will hear a public announcement. First, read the notes below then listen and complete the notes with information from the announcement. You will hear the recording twice.

Example: The announcement is at *Old Street Station*

12. have caused trains to be cancelled.
13. Trains to have been replaced by buses.
14. are all departing as usual.
15. Train Time App provides
16. Ticket office is found on

SECTION 3 (PART B)



You will hear a telephone conversation. First, read the notes below then listen and complete the notes with information from the conversation. You will hear the recording twice.

Example: Tessa's daughter is called *Maria*

17. recently started at Langley School.
18. Maria wants to invite Jessica to
19. Jessica should arrive on Sunday at
20. Hickory Dickory's is a
21. Hickory Dickory's post code is

SECTION 4

Read each text and put a cross by the missing word or phrase, as in the example.

Example: Having trouble with your teeth? Or simply looking for a polish?
There are now new _____ on Woodbridge Road: Mr and Mrs Sheen.
Call 0212 689 4135 for appointments or visit us in person.

- A doctors
- B dentists
- C cleaners

22. Looking for a cheap summer holiday? Get yourself a bargain price on travel and accommodation! Use our website to find a great _____ on many leading hotels and airlines.

- A discount
- B journey
- C meal

23. Take a narrow boat along one of the city's most beautiful _____. Once used to transport goods between factories, these water ways now allow passengers to relax and see another side of the city.

- A canals
- B streams
- C lakes

24. To make this special vegan pizza, you will need these _____:

- flour
- yeast
- salt
- tomatoes
- peppers
- onions

- A dishes
- B vegetables
- C ingredients

25. This cash machine only provides £20 and £10 notes. To withdraw money, you must press ENTER after typing in your _____.

- A pin number
- B bank card
- C cash advance

26. Getting medicine has never been simpler... now you can order your _____ online and then collect at your local pharmacy 24 hours later.

- A produce
- B prescription
- C programme

SECTION 5

Read the article and answer the questions below. Put a cross in the box next to the correct answer, as in the example.

The island continent of Australia lies between the Indian and Pacific Oceans in the region of Oceania in the southern hemisphere. It is often described as the Earth's largest island but smallest continent (the other continents are Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Antarctica and Europe, in order of size from largest to smallest). It is also the lowest, the flattest and, apart from Antarctica, the driest continent. The country is unique and varied in every way – in climate, landscape, people, history, culture and animal and plant life.

Australia's way of life has traditionally been influenced by European culture, but today Australian society is multicultural: in 2011, about 21% of the population had been born in the UK, 9% in New Zealand, 6% in China, just over 5% in India and 3.5% in Italy. More than 85% of Australians live near or on the coast, and 89% of the population live in urban areas (towns or cities), which makes Australia one of the most urbanized countries in the world.

Climate

About 70% of the country is very dry and nearly 40% of the country is desert. Most of the desert areas are in the centre and in the west. Parts of northern Australia are tropical and have heavy rainfall in the summer, but are dry in the winter. In the south-east and the south-west corners the climate is temperate. As a result, most of the biggest cities are found there. Snow in Australia is rare, but there are places for skiing in the Snowy Mountains region of south-eastern New South Wales and north-eastern Victoria, a few hours from Melbourne and Sydney. The most popular time to ski is late August.

Source: Gascoigne, J. (2015) Australia, Macmillan Readers. Pp.8-9. ISBN: 978-0230470286.

Accessed at: <http://www.macmillanreaders.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/Australia-sample-chapter.pdf>

Example: Which statement about Australia is correct?

- A It is surrounded by one ocean.
- B It is next to two different oceans.
- C It lies in the middle of four oceans.

27. According to the article, which is the fourth largest continent?

- A South America
- B Europe
- C North America

28. The only continent that is drier than Australia is

- A Africa
- B Antarctica
- C Asia

29. In 2011, approximately what percentage of the Australian population was born in the UK, according to the article?

- A 24.5%
- B 85%
- C 21%

30. The majority of Australians live

- A in the central deserts
- B near to the sea
- C outside urban areas

31. Which is the best place to go skiing?

- A Melbourne
- B New South Wales
- C Northern Australia

SECTION 6

Read the story below and answer the questions.

ASTON VILLA FOOTBALL CLUB – CLARET MEMBERSHIP

Claret is our official fan membership for supporters aged 18 and over.

Adult: **£30**

Over 65: **£25**

With a membership, you will join The Pride – with access to a great range of benefits.

Benefits include:

- A welcome pack*
- A voucher for £10 off a home league game this season
- Priority ticket access for home & away matches
- Access to Pride Rewards
- Opportunities for exclusive competitions
- To find out more about Pride Rewards visit avfc.co.uk/rewards

* Your welcome pack will take up to 28 days to arrive.

Example Which football club is offering Claret Membership? *Aston Villa*

32. What is the minimum age for Claret Membership?
33. How much does Claret Membership cost for elderly people?
34. What may take nearly a month to be delivered?
35. What can Claret members enter that other people cannot?

Read the story below and answer the questions.

Michael Joseph Jackson was born in Gary, Indiana, on August 29, 1958. Gary is a poor industrial city in the northwest corner of Indiana near Chicago, Illinois. Gary had the same problems that many cities in the U.S.A. have: high unemployment and crime. People in Gary were lucky to have jobs. Many worked in the steel mills along the southern shore of Lake Michigan. All day and all night, the smoke from the mills gave the air an awful smell. But nobody complained because it was the smell of jobs. Gary's streets were lined with small single-family homes. The neighborhoods were quiet during the day but dangerous at night.

Source: Hart, C.W. (2010) Macmillan Reader: Michael Jackson Pre Int. p.4. 978-0230406315 Macmillan.
<http://www.macmillanreaders.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/Michael-Jackson-sample-chapter.pdf>

Example: Which city was Michael Jackson born in? *Gary*

36. What did Gary have too much of?
37. What did many people in Gary not have?
38. What was a common workplace for people in Gary?
39. What were the streets of Gary like before dark?.....

SECTION 7

Read the passage and complete the notes. Write no more than three words from the passage in each gap.

The Olympic Games are organized by the International Olympic Committee, or IOC. The IOC chooses the best place for the Summer and Winter Olympics every four years. Councils for the different sports and for the host country help to organize the Games. There is a lot of work to do when a country hosts the Olympics. Often new stadiums and swimming pools are needed and the host country also has to build an Olympic village where the athletes sleep, eat and relax during the Games. The host country often has to improve roads and public transport – that means more buses and trains. It is important that athletes and spectators can travel easily to and from the Games. Hosting the Olympics is very expensive, but the Games can bring a lot of money to the host country. When a country hosts the Olympics, many tourists travel there. People all around the world see and learn about the country. The very first Olympic Games were held in Greece nearly three thousand years ago. The Olympics have grown and changed a lot since then. Because they are so old and so big, there are many Olympic traditions. The Olympics have their own anthem, or song, and their own special flag. The flag has five coloured rings. Every Olympic Games also has its own mascot – an animal or object that is specially chosen for that year’s Games. The mascot is chosen by the host country and is seen in every piece of information about the Olympics that year. Often the mascot is something that makes people think of the host country. For the 2000 Summer Olympics in Sydney, the mascots were three Australian animals. The mascot for the 1980 Olympics in Moscow, Russia, was a bear called Misha.

Source: Bladan, R. (2012) Macmillan Reader: The Story of the Olympics Pre Int. p. 9 978-0230422223 Macmillan <http://www.macmillanreaders.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/Olympics-chapter-1.pdf>

Example: The IOC runs *the Olympic Games*

40. Summer and Winter Olympics take place once _____
41. Each Olympic sport has its own _____ that assists in organizing the Games.
42. Host countries build new _____, swimming pools and a place for athletes to stay.
43. The Olympics can bring money and _____ into the host country.
44. The Olympics began in _____
45. The Olympic flag features five _____
46. Olympic _____ are animals or objects that are associated with the host country.

SECTION 8

Use the information in **Section 7** to help you write your answer.

Use your own words.

47. You have read a passage about the Olympic Games. Now write a formal letter to your local government about having a major sports event in your local area. **Write 70 to 90 words** and include the following information:

- benefits of major sports events
- drawbacks of major sports events
- what needs to be changed in your local area

SECTION 9

48. Choose **one** of the topics below and write your answer **in 100–150 words**.

Either: A – Some people love social media websites, where they can share photos and post messages, while others hate them. Nowadays it seems most people feel social media has both positive and negative effects. Write an essay on the following subject:

How can we improve social media?

A

Put a cross in the box next to the task you have chosen.

Write your answer here. Do not write outside of the box.

Or: B – Your teacher has asked you to help promote your local area to visitors.

Write an article describing the shopping areas near where you study.

B