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English B – Standard level – Paper 2 – Reading comprehension Anglais B – Niveau moyen – Épreuve 2 – Compréhension écrite Inglés B – Nivel Medio – Prueba 2 – Comprensión de lectura

Tuesday 10 November 2020 (morning)
Mardi 10 novembre 2020 (matin)
Martes 10 de noviembre de 2020 (mañana)

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Question and answer booklet – Instructions to candidates

- Write your session number in the boxes above.
- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer all questions. Each question is allocated **[1 mark]** unless otherwise stated.
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- Escriba sus respuestas en las casillas provistas a tal efecto.
- Todas las respuestas deben basarse en los textos adecuados del cuadernillo de textos correspondiente.
- La puntuación máxima para esta prueba de examen es **[40 puntos]**.



Text A — A student talks about her experience of homeschooling

Answer the following questions (lines 1–9).

1. Why did the writer decide to stop attending school?

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2. Which phrase shows that homeschoolers can set the pace of their learning?

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3. Which phrase means “additionally”?

.....

What do the following words mean in the text? Choose the appropriate words from the list.

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|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| 4. schedule (line 10) | <input type="checkbox"/> | A. volume |
| 5. amount (line 10) | <input type="checkbox"/> | B. timetable |
| 6. benefit (line 11) | <input type="checkbox"/> | C. number |
| | | D. advantage |
| | | E. demand |
| | | F. scheme |



08EP02

Find the words that complete the following sentences. Answer using the words as they appear in lines 14–20.

7. If there are many students in a class, it is difficult to have...

.....

8. The writer says she has been able to make best friends in...

.....

9. Mixing with a variety of new people allows homeschoolers to...

.....

Choose the correct answer (lines 21–26).

10. According to the writer, homeschoolers must...

- A. develop their self-management skills.
- B. send their work to a local teacher.
- C. learn a lot of information by heart.
- D. review their own work each year.

11. Homeschoolers who do not pass the year for the first time have to...

- A. repeat the whole school year.
- B. make specific improvements.
- C. demonstrate a greater effort.
- D. return to the school classroom.

12. When the writer says that “Homeschooling has its ups and downs” (line 25) the author is suggesting that...

- A. it is a rather imprecise way to learn.
- B. it produces both good and poor results.
- C. it is an unpredictable form of education.
- D. it has advantages and disadvantages.



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Text B — Britain's gender pay gap starts with pocket money

13. Choose the **three** true statements (lines 1–20). [3]

- A. 20 percent of the girls surveyed said they received less pocket money than boys.
- B. Childwise conducted the online survey about gender pay gap.
- C. Girls receive £12.50 less allowance each week than boys.
- D. Jenny Ehren thinks parents educate boys and girls about money differently.
- E. Jenny Ehren thinks children need to learn more about money.
- F. Parents were more likely to control boys' spending than girls' spending.

Find the word or phrase in **lines 1–9** which means the following:

14. difference

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15. examination

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16. identical

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08EP04

To whom or to what do the underlined words refer? Answer using the words as they appear in the text.

17.

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18. ...gender divisions themselves... (lines 14–15)

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19. ...to have things bought for them. (line 17)

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20. ...partially explained it... (line 18)

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Choose the correct answer (lines 21–30).

21. According to the report, a minority of girls receive...

- A. more pocket money than boys.
- B. nothing at all as pocket money.
- C. as much pocket money as boys.
- D. presents in the form of money.

22. According to Sam Smethers, differences in pay for men and women...

- A. become less important with the passage of time.
- B. reflect the advances made in women's rights.
- C. are the result of changing employment rights.
- D. are very similar to those between girls and boys.

23. The phrase "What chance do they have?" (lines 26–27), means:

- A. Why won't girls improve their situation?
- B. How many worries must girls face?
- C. What is the likelihood girls will succeed?
- D. When will girls accept their situation?

24. The Fawcett Society has predicted that only in 62 years' time will women...

- A. be employed on the same pay rates as men.
- B. be earning more than men for the first time.
- C. work in the same positions as men.
- D. become more valued for their quality of work.



08EP06

Text C — Call for volunteers

Answer the following questions.

25. According to the text, what is the function of Community Action Africa?

.....

26. Which word in **lines 2–7** means “at the same time”?

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27. What goal does Community Action Africa want to achieve for the community?

.....

The following statements are either true or false. Tick [✓] the correct option, then justify it using words as they appear in the text. Both parts are required for [1 mark].

28. Volunteers in schools will give learners the chance to interact with each other.

True Justification:

False

29. The Community Action Africa website will display the writings of their volunteers.

True Justification:

False

30. Community Action Africa volunteers will be in charge of printing promotional material.

True Justification:

False



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Choose an appropriate heading from the list that completes each gap in the text.

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| 31. [-31-] | <input type="checkbox"/> | A. Student Mentors |
| 32. [-32-] | <input type="checkbox"/> | B. Journalist Trainers |
| 33. [-33-] | <input type="checkbox"/> | C. Syllabus Designers |
| 34. [-34-] | <input type="checkbox"/> | D. Marketing and Resource Volunteers |
| | | E. School Subject Support Volunteers |
| | | F. Fundraising Volunteers |
| | | G. Classroom Teachers |
| | | H. Media and Publications Assistants |

Choose an appropriate option from the list that completes each gap in the following text.

[-35-] Community Action Africa is looking for volunteers, they cannot accept people [-36-] they can work once a week for at least six months. This is [-37-] the fact they need to make long-term plans. [-38-] help the youth of South Africa, email us for an application form.

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| 35. [-35-] | <input type="checkbox"/> | A. although |
| 36. [-36-] | <input type="checkbox"/> | B. as |
| 37. [-37-] | <input type="checkbox"/> | C. instead of |
| 38. [-38-] | <input type="checkbox"/> | D. despite |
| | | E. due to |
| | | F. if |
| | | G. in order to |
| | | H. unless |



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