



HIPPO 2020

8th International English Language Olympiad

IESOL Assessment Reading

RQF Level: Entry 1

(CEFR Level: A1)

Candidate Booklet – Reading

HIPPO 2

Preliminary Round

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANDIDATES:

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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. The weather is usually much colder in _____.
a) summer b) winter c) Wednesday
2. Can you get some tomatoes for me from the _____?
a) chemist b) supermarket c) bookshop
3. We can get there much faster if we _____.
a) run b) walk c) sit
4. We went outside to play _____ it wasn't raining.
a) because b) again c) about
5. I really need a _____ of water.
a) eat b) food c) glass
6. The next bus _____ London leaves at 6.00.
a) on b) for c) at
7. Do you want _____ in your coffee?
a) milk b) fish c) biscuit
8. Put the _____ of orange juice in the fridge.
a) spoon b) plate c) bottle
9. A bus is _____ than a car.
a) bigger b) smaller c) the biggest
10. What _____ does the swimming pool open?
a) place b) time c) clock



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 Life

My name is David. I live in the city of London in the UK. It is a very big city and I have to travel a long way to my school. I like the school, but I have to go there by train.

My favourite lesson is maths. I like it because I am good at it, and I don't think it is hard. We also do geography, science and languages. I don't like English or history, because you have to do a lot of reading. I think they are boring.

My dad has a very famous restaurant called The Big Cod. He also works there as a chef. A lot of people from France and Germany visit the restaurant. It is very famous for its menu. My dad cooks fish and people really like it. They also do lots of special ice-cream flavours. The best one is the mango ice-cream and we eat it a lot at home.

I help my dad in the restaurant at the weekend. When I am bigger, I want to work there for a year or two. Then I want to open my own restaurant.

Example: David lives:

- a) in a city in the UK.
- b) in Ireland.
- c) in the countryside.

11. David's school is:

- a) close to his house.
- b) far from his house.
- c) easy to walk to.

12. David likes maths because:

- a) it is hard.
- b) it is easy.
- c) he likes the teacher.



13. Which lessons doesn't David like?

- a) English.
- b) German.
- c) Geography.

14. David's dad:

- a) worked in The Big Cod in the past.
- b) works in The Big Cod now.
- c) wants to work in The Big Cod.

15. David thinks the mango ice-cream:

- a) isn't very good.
- b) is too expensive.
- c) is the nicest.

16. David likes to help:

- a) his dad on Saturdays and Sundays.
- b) in the restaurant five days a week.
- c) in his own restaurant.



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) _____ Sarah!

Did you see The Greatest Dancer **17)**_____ TV last night? Lots of famous people were dancing. It was a **18)**_____ show. I watched every minute of it, and really enjoyed it. I hope all my **19)**_____ at school saw it. I am going to ask them on Monday.

Are you ready for all the lessons on Monday? We **20)**_____ a lot of French homework and it took a long time to do it. Have you done it yet? I did the science homework as well. That was easy and **21)**_____ took me a few minutes.

Don't **22)**_____ to bring your sports kit on Monday. The lesson is at 11.00.

Jane

- Example: a) Hi b) Welcome c) Happy
17. a) on b) in c) at
18. a) OK b) bad c) great
19. a) friends b) parents c) pets
20. a) made b) had c) were
21. a) once b) always c) only
22. a) remember b) forget c) catch



Reading Task 3 - A

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

Holiday A

Ski Special

Enjoy the snow in the high mountains of France and Switzerland.

How long: 9 nights.

Price: £1150 per person or £3500 special for a family of four (hotel and ski hire included).

Holiday bookings available from November to March.

bookinginfo@travelworld.co.uk

Holiday B

African Safari

This is a great holiday for people who like to meet lions, tigers and elephants!

No children under 18 years of age.

How long: 14 nights.
Price: only £3480 per person.

Dates from June to August.
Call us on: 05184 454 454

Holiday C

Week Breaks in Prague

Attractions: famous castle, river and bridge, walking tours, and much more!

Saturday to Saturday – only £599 (flights, hotel and food).

Fly from any London airport, any day of the year.

7 nights in a 3 star hotel, breakfast and evening meal.
Phone 0203 129 7777.



Which holiday...

Party

Example: is in Africa?

B

23. is the longest?

24. is the cheapest?

25. is not for children?

26. is only in the summer?

27. can you email about?

28. is good for people who like animals?



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?

c) Where do you live?

I'm twelve years old.

29.

a) Are you a fast runner?

b) Do you like running?

c) How often do you run?

No, I'm not.

30.

a) Does your dad work in a factory?

b) Does your mum work in a school?

c) Is your sister a teacher?

No, she doesn't.

31.

a) Do you like cats?

b) What is your favourite animal?

c) Is that a new dog?

Yes, they are my favourite.

32.

a) Is the park open now?

b) Is there a film on tonight?

c) Can you tell me the way to the cinema?

Yes, it's near the park.

33.

a) Are you busy tonight?

b) Do you want some ice-cream?

c) Could you help me with the shopping?

Yes, please.

34.

a) Would you like a new car?

b) Have you seen John's new car?

c) Can you drive a car?

No, but I'm learning.

END OF READING ASSESSMENT



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Guide time: 20 minutes Total marks available: 22



Listening Task 1

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

There is an example.

Example Speaker.

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

35. Speaker 1.

- a) No, I don't.
- b) Yes, it's near the bank.
- c) The train is at 3 o'clock.

38. Speaker 4.

- a) Yes, I do.
- b) It costs £20.
- c) It's expensive.

36. Speaker 2.

- a) It's in the afternoon.
- b) It's April.
- c) It's Wednesday.

39. Speaker 5.

- a) I'm going to the cinema.
- b) I went to the park.
- c) He's doing it now.

37. Speaker 3.

- a) Yes, it is.
- b) Yes, it can.
- c) No, we aren't.

40. Speaker 6.

- a) I really enjoyed it.
- b) I like films about animals.
- c) Every day.



Listening Task 2

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

Example: Where are the speakers?

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

41. Where is the birthday party?

- a) At the woman's house.
- b) At the man's house.
- c) At a restaurant.

43. What did Sarah enjoy about her holiday?

- a) The food.
- b) The weather.
- c) The hotel.

42. Which is true about the homework?

- a) Both the man and the woman did it.
- b) Only the man did it.
- c) Only the woman did it.

44. What is for dinner tonight?

- a) Chicken.
- b) Tomato soup.
- c) Pizza.

Listening Task 3

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

There is an example. Example: Jack is talking to:

- a) a friend.
- b) a parent.
- c) a teacher.

45. Jack is interested in:

- a) a writing club.
- b) a painting club.
- c) a music club.

48. What should you bring to class?

- a) Paper.
- b) Paints.
- c) A sandwich.

46. The club starts at:

- a) 3.15.
- b) 3.30.
- c) 4.30.

49. Where is the class?

- a) In Room 4 A.
- b) In Room 4 B.
- c) In the library.

47. The next class is:

- a) today.
- b) next week.
- c) in two weeks.

50. What is Jack doing next?

- a) Taking a test in English.
- b) Taking a test in Maths.
- c) Having a break.



Listening Task 4

Listen to Emma talking about her best friend, and read the sentences. Circle the correct answer - 'A - true' or 'B - false' - next to each sentence.

There is an example.

Example:

Emma's best friend is called Jenny.

A - True

B - False

51. Jenny is 15 years old.

A - True

B - False

52. The girls are neighbours.

A - True

B - False

53. Emma is younger than Jenny.

A - True

B - False

54. The girls have the same hobby.

A - True

B - False

55. Emma needs to buy a present for Jenny.

A - True

B - False

56. Emma is going shopping this week.

A - True

B - False

END OF LISTENING ASSESSMENT



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Time allowed: 20 Minutes



1. Choose a, b or c to complete the sentences.

57. Daria doesn't drink _____ milk.
a) some b) any c) many
58. My sister _____ a bike now.
a) is riding b) aren't riding c) rides
59. Evelina is the _____ student in her class.
a) bad b) worst c) worse
60. What does it smell _____ ?
a) - b) as c) like
61. Do you like _____ T-shirt?
a) those b) some c) that
62. Behzod is the _____ popular boy in his family.
a) best popular b) popularist c) most popular
63. My new game _____ €30.
a) cost b) costed c) costs
64. I have a friend _____ lives in Australia.
a) which b) who c) where
65. Amita is going on holiday to Italy with _____ family this yer.
a) hers b) her c) its



66. These books are _____.
- a) ours b) us c) our
67. How _____ money is it?
- a) many b) some c) much
68. We _____ talking about you!
- a) don't b) can't c) aren't
69. Where _____ you last night?
- a) are b) were c) was
70. The pizza I _____ last night was excellent!
- a) eat b) eaten c) ate
71. What is this desk made _____ ?
- a) with b) of c) from
72. Can I try this T-shirt _____ ?
- a) on b) off c) with
73. I have _____ headache today.
- a) an b) the c) a
74. Who do you think _____ win the championship?
- a) is b) - c) will
75. Does Giorgi live with his family? Yes, he _____ .
- a) does b) do c) doesn't
76. I am going to the cinema. I am going to ask _____ friend John to come.
- a) mine b) my c) yours

END OF LISTENING ASSESSMENT