Test 1

PAPER 1  READING AND WRITING TEST (1 hour 30 minutes)

READING

Part 1

Questions 1–5

Look at the text in each question.
What does it say?
Mark the correct letter A, B or C on your answer sheet.

Example:

0  SKATEBOARDERS!
REMEMBER - THIS PARK IS SHARED WITH OTHERS -
KEEP TO THE MARKED AREAS.

A  Do not skateboard if other people are in the park.
B  Take care when skateboarding with other skateboarders.
C  Make sure you don’t skateboard outside the skateboarding zone.

Answer: 0 A B C

1  Lift out of order until further notice.
Access to chemistry labs by the stairs.

A  There will soon be a new lift to the upstairs labs.
B  Students and staff cannot get to the science labs at the moment.
C  You have to walk up to the labs because the lift is not working.

2  Remove all shoes (not including trainers) before entering sports hall.
Leave on shelves outside.

A  You are allowed to wear your trainers in the sports hall.
B  You are asked to put your shoes inside the sports hall.
C  You must place your trainers on the shelves outside the sports hall.
3  A  Pete is telling Jerry about a brilliant sports match he saw on Saturday.
B  Pete is asking if Jerry’s Dad can drive him to a sports match.
C  Pete is inviting Jerry and his father to play in a sports match.

4  A  You should contact the ticket office to find out about a phone that was left at the cinema.
B  to ask them if a phone was found at the cinema.
C  to tell them about a phone that you found at the cinema.

5  From: Tom
To: Natasha
Subject: Sailing
Hope you’ll be well enough for us to enter the competition next weekend. Get in touch because I need to tell the club soon.

A  Tom isn’t sure he is fit enough to sail in the competition.
B  Tom wants Natasha to tell the club if she will be in the competition.
C  Natasha must let Tom know if she can sail at the weekend.
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Part 2

Questions 6–10

The young people below all want to go to an activity camp. On the opposite page there are descriptions of eight activity centres. Decide which activity camp would be the most suitable for the following people. For questions 6–10, mark the correct letter (A–H) on your answer sheet.

6 Rafael will be 11 years old next month. He would like to spend the day of his birthday at an activity camp where he and his friends can do watersports all day and then eat together.

7 Angela is in a junior ski team. She is keen to spend a week in the mountains at an activity camp where she can learn another winter sport and get a certificate.

8 Lucy and Claire are twins. They want to spend a fortnight during their holidays taking part in sports competitions and finding new friends. They want to share a room together.

9 Panos needs to get fitter so he can join his local football team. He only has a few days free so he wants to do a short course which isn’t too expensive.

10 Ahmed is the best runner at his school. He wants to spend time at an activity camp by the sea this summer where he can have private lessons in his sport.
Activity Camps

A Beaumont Camp  This camp offers weekends where families can take part in different activities at any time of the year. Situated near the Black Mountains, the camp has a swimming pool, climbing wall, football field and a running track. Accommodation is in family rooms which can sleep two adults and four children.

B PLD Activities  PLD Activities offers teenagers a chance to meet other young people during a two-week course in the summer. Sports offered are running, cycling, football and tennis. Every week there are races to enter and prizes for the best sportsperson. Accommodation is in either single or double rooms.

C Youth Activity Camp  This camp in the seaside town of Redbridge offers both tennis and athletics training in small classes. Courses last for one week and at the end, competitions are held with certificates for the winners. Accommodation is in single rooms and all meals are provided.

D Creek Activity Camp  This camp is open all year round. It is in a valley in the Mirren Mountains. Sports available are ice skating, climbing, cycling and tennis and courses are one week in length and can lead to a diploma. Accommodation is in shared rooms and prices are reasonable.

E Westside  Westside offers young people the chance to sail by the sea one week and learn to ski in the mountains the next, while making friends. Private lessons are available and accommodation is first class. Not the cheapest holiday but well worth the money.

F Eagle Camp  Eagle Camp is open all year and is situated by Eagle Lake in the Border Mountains. Come for one day or one month! Eagle Camp offers a range of activities from sailing to swimming and table tennis to football. Luxury accommodation is in specially-built houses and there is both a restaurant and café.

G Hilltop  Young people can improve their physical condition at the camp on South Beach. To keep costs down, everyone camps and courses are in groups of five. There is both a gym and a running track. Courses are held during the summer holidays, either over two or five days.

H Derwent Activities  Derwent Activities offer a range of activities such as running, football, sailing and even surfing at their seaside centre. One-to-one training is available in all sports and courses are two weeks in length. Accommodation (in rooms for four children) and food are provided in a local hotel.
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Part 3

Questions 11–20

Look at the sentences below about a writing competition.
Read the text on the opposite page to decide if each sentence is correct or incorrect.
If it is correct, mark A on your answer sheet.
If it is not correct, mark B on your answer sheet.

11 This competition is organised by a magazine for young people.
12 An article about Llangollen Motor Museum was last year’s competition winner.
13 Visitors to the Llangollen Motor Museum think it is quite an unusual and amusing museum.
14 One way to research your article is to talk to people working at your chosen museum.
15 The title of your article has to be My Favourite Museum.
16 Other people are allowed to give you advice about your article.
17 It is essential that you supply pictures with the article that you write.
18 Every page of your article should have your personal details included.
19 The magazine will publish a selection of the best articles in September’s copy.
20 An additional two, or more, writers will win books as prizes.
Competition

Youth International Magazine, Young Reporter of the Year

The Competition
This year, Youth International Magazine is asking you to take a look at museums. Have you got a favourite museum near you? Is there a great little museum in a nearby town or village that doesn’t have thousands of visitors? Do you think it deserves to be better known? Then write about it in an article for our competition.

Just last week, a reader emailed us about the Llangollen Motor Museum.

“It’s not particularly well known but I really like this museum. It’s interesting and has 60 vehicles like this old British-made motorbike from the 1930s. But best of all, most of the vehicles there are still in use. Comments in the museum’s Visitors’ Book included ‘Funny and educational’ and ‘Excellent but very strange!’”

Your article could talk about what your favourite museum is for, who goes there and why, when it was started and by whom, how it is paid for, etc. You could interview staff at the museum and the people who visit it in order to get the information you need.

How to enter
• Research and write a magazine article on the subject of ‘my favourite museum’, giving it your own title.
• The article should be no longer than 600 words, it must be typed on A4 paper and written with double line-spacing.
• Articles must be written in your own words, but your family and friends can offer ideas and suggestions.
• You can include original photographs or illustrations, but this is not necessary.
• Please keep a copy of your work as it will not be returned.
• Remember to put your name, age, address and telephone number at the top or on the back of each page of your entry.
• The closing date for entries is 11th March, so make sure your article is posted to us well before that date.

Winning articles
The winning article will be published in September’s Youth International Magazine and the winner will receive the top prize of a writing weekend at Hartside College of Journalism. There will be at least two other prizes of books for very good entries, the number of these depending on the quality of the articles entered into the competition.
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Part 4

Questions 21–25

Read the text and questions below.
For each question, mark the correct letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet.

Finding Rebecca

From the age of six when I first saw Olympic gymnastics on television, I knew gymnastics was for me. I immediately started once-a-week gymnastics classes and by my 13th birthday I was spending more than 16 hours a week in the gym. I didn't have much spare time but I was happy. True, parts of my body would sometimes hurt, but I was proud of myself. I was a gymnast!

Then my knee began to hurt, and kept getting worse. So I stopped practising for a while. But one day, my team was getting ready for a big competition, and my coach asked, 'Do you want to take part?' I nodded slowly. I knew what was coming – coaches are not known for their kindness. ‘Then you've got to practise your piece,’ he demanded. I did, but at the end I had to be carried out of the gym. The idea that my gymnastics career might be over was too terrible to think about.

I spent a year recovering and finally I started training again. I worked hard and entered competitions. But I soon realised gymnastics didn’t make me as happy as it once had. The next summer, I was training hard to reach the next level, spending all my time in the gym. But by the end of the holiday, I was asking myself, ‘Is this worth it? Could I, Rebecca, just be myself and not a gymnast?’

With the start of school came homework, increased gym workouts, and extreme tiredness. I wanted to be like other high-school students, hanging out and going to the movies. That term, I stopped going to the gym. I found I could change my identity. Now, I’m happy being myself – just Rebecca.

21 What is the writer doing in this text?

A describing her skill in gymnastics
B comparing gymnastics with other sports
C encouraging young people to start doing gymnastics
D explaining how her attitude towards gymnastics changed
Reading

22 What does the writer say about gymnastics in the first paragraph?
A It gave her a feeling of achievement.
B She became keen on the sport as a teenager.
C It was easy to fit around school and other activities.
D She found her body was strong enough to do it.

23 What does the writer say about her gymnastics coach?
A He knew she had a lot of talent.
B He made her prepare for the competition.
C He treated her differently from the rest of the team.
D He encouraged her to change her competition piece.

24 How does the writer say she felt in the third paragraph?
A worried she would be injured once again
B confident she would win her next competition
C doubtful whether gymnastics was right for her
D happy to have improved her level in gymnastics

25 What would the writer say about her life now?
A “I've finally accepted that doing well at my studies is a lot more important than being great at gymnastics.”
B “I got bored with gymnastics and needed to change my life so now I can concentrate on another activity I really enjoy.”
C “I still do gymnastics for a bit of fun but I'm glad that I don't take part in competitions any more.”
D “I now spend time doing lots of things I enjoy and I still believe that giving up gymnastics was the right decision.”
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Part 5

Questions 26–35

Read the text below and choose the correct word for each space.
For each question, mark the correct letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet.

Example:
0  A move  B set  C carry  D come

Answer: 0  A B C D

Robots

A true robot is any machine that can (0) ………………. about and do different jobs without human help. The word ‘robot’ was originally used to (26) ………………. factory workers, and that is just (27) ………………. the majority of actual robots are. However, robots work without (28) ………………. a rest. This makes them good (29) ………………. doing boring or dangerous jobs. (30) ………………. they have not yet replaced human workers, robots have made factories (31) ………………. more efficient.

Children are often keen on robot toys. One robot dog called Aibo can sleep and play. It (32) ………………. cheaper to buy and more reliable. The latest models can do a large (33) ………………. of different things. They can even recognise their owner’s face. Furby is (34) ………………. robot toy. It has working ears, eyes and mouth and (35) ………………. attention all day but sleeps at night.

26  A explain  B describe  C tell  D say
27  A what  B that  C which  D whom
28  A making  B asking  C having  D doing
29  A to  B from  C by  D at
30  A Since  B Although  C Unless  D Until
31  A much  B any  C many  D all
32  A developed  B grown  C produced  D become
33  A number  B sum  C kind  D sort
34  A extra  B another  C every  D other
35  A asks  B calls  C demands  D shouts
Writing

Part 1

Questions 1–5

Here are some sentences about the film director Steven Spielberg. For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use no more than three words. Write only the missing words on your answer sheet. You may use this page for any rough work.

Example:

0 Spielberg was born in Cincinnati in the USA.

Spielberg comes .............................................. Cincinnati in the USA.

Answer: 0 from

1 Spielberg is one of Hollywood's most famous directors.

Spielberg is more famous ...................................... many other Hollywood directors.

2 Spielberg made his first film in the late 1950s.

Spielberg has made films ........................................ the late 1950s.

3 Spielberg writes films as well as directs them.

Spielberg not .................................................. directs films but also writes them.

4 In many of Spielberg's films, ordinary people do extraordinary things.

Many of Spielberg's films are about ordinary people ...................................... extraordinary things.

5 Spielberg directed the film ET.

The film ET ................................................. by Spielberg.