

Practice test 1

A Language Functions

1 Finish the following dialogue:

Ayman and Ahmed are on the phone. They are talking about the football match they are going to see at the club next Friday.

Ayman: Hello, Ahmed.

Ahmed: Hi, Ayman!

Ayman: ① Are you going to see the football match (on Friday) ?

Ahmed: Yes, of course. I'll see it at the club.

Ayman: What time does the match start?

Ahmed: ② It/The match starts at four o'clock. (Answers will vary.)

Ayman: ③ Let's see it together. Where do you want to meet? (Answers will vary.)

Ahmed: Let's meet in front of the club.

2 Write what you would say in each of the following situations:

1 Your friend is not studying for the exam.

You should be studying for the exam. / If you don't study you won't
succeed in/pass the exam. (Answers will vary.)

2 You are in your brother's car. He is driving very fast.

Would you please not drive so fast? Would you please drive slower/more carefully./
Please don't drive so fast./Please slow down. (Answers will vary.)

3 You apologise for losing the cassette that you borrowed from your sister.

I'm sorry, I lost your cassette. I must have left it somewhere. / Please
forgive me for losing your cassette. (Answers will vary.)

4 You meet an old friend you haven't seen for a long time.

How good to see you! How are you? / I haven't seen you for so long.
How are you? (Answers will vary.)

B Reading Comprehension

Practice test 1

3 Read and match:

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| 1 Goods are things | a because I've got too little money. |
| 2 The road was narrow, | b as I've got a lot of money. |
| 3 There is too much pollution here | c "weak". |
| 4 I can't buy the car | d in our city. |
| 5 "Strong" is the opposite of | e so the lorry couldn't pass. |
| | f which people sell and buy. |

4 Read the following, then answer the questions:

Ancient Egypt was very dry, and the ancient Egyptians depended mainly on the Nile to water the crops. The ancient Egyptians could only grow certain kinds of food because of the dry climate. They mainly grew wheat and another kind of plant with a long head, called *barley*. The ancient Egyptians used the wheat to make bread and soup. The ancient Egyptians also ate meat. You could go to a butcher shop and buy meat there, just like people do these days. Scientists have found models of butchers' shops in ancient Egyptian tombs. The ancient Egyptians ate beef, as well as the meat of sheep, duck and goose. For dessert, they enjoyed eating dates. Scientists have also found seeds which show that the Egyptians grew watermelons, and other kinds of melon.

a Answer the following questions:

- 1 What main crops did the ancient Egyptians grow?
The main crops were/ They mainly grew wheat and barley.
- 2 What did the ancient Egyptians like to eat for dessert?
They liked to eat/enjoyed eating dates for dessert.
- 3 Why couldn't the ancient Egyptians grow many kinds of crops?
(They couldn't grow many kinds of crops) because of the dry climate.

b Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:

- 4 Scientists have found^b..... seeds in ancient Egyptian graves.
a mango b melon
c banana d orange
- 5 The underlined word "they" refers to^c.....
a scientists b crops
c ancient Egyptians d dates
- 6 Barley is a kind of^a.....
a plant b date
c meat d soup

Practice test 1

6 Rewrite the following sentences (using the word[s] in brackets) to give the same meaning:

- 1 I fell asleep during the film. (While)
I fell asleep while (I was) watching the film.
- 2 Although Sami is rich, he is unhappy. (but)
Sami is rich, but (he is) unhappy.
- 3 That man rescued my brother. (who)
That man is the one who/That is the man who rescued my brother.
- 4 I did not see Ali. I did not see his brother. (neither /nor)
I saw neither Ali nor his brother./ I neither saw Ali nor his brother.

7 Read and correct the underlined words

- 1 Samir has decided plays the match with the team.
Samir has decided to play the match with the team.
- 2 Salma is naughty. She always gets high marks.
Salma is clever/smart/a good student. She always gets high marks.
- 3 My sister's blouse makes of silk.
My sister's blouse is made of silk.
- 4 Zaki always swims in the sea. He is a good swimming.
Zaki always swims in the sea. He is a good swimmer.

8 Write a letter to your cousin Amir

- Tell him that you have won a computer as a prize in a competition.
- Tell him how you won the prize, how many persons took part in the competition, and who helped you to learn to use the computer.

(Your name is Mohsen. You live at 20 Abbasia Street, Cairo.)

20 Abbasia Street,
Cairo
June 19th, 2007

Dear Amir,

I've won a computer in a competition! We had a reading competition at school and I read the most books. Two hundred students took part in the competition. My older brother helped me learn to use the new computer. Now, I can write letters and e-mails to my friends.

Best wishes,

Mohsen (Answers will vary.)

Practice test 1

D The Reader

9 a Answer the following questions:

- 1** What name did the Professor give to the sea he discovered?
The Professor named it the Lidenbrock Sea.
- 2** What did Hans make to help them explore the sea?
He made a raft.
- 3** What animals did they see on the sea shore?
They saw mammoths.
- 4** Which character do you like best in the story? Why?
My favourite character is Hans because he is very brave and knows his way around Sneffels very well. He is also a very calm and sensible person. (Answers will vary.)

b Complete the following sentences:

- 1** While Axel was running along the shore, he saw something shining/a knife.....
in the sand.
- 2** The Professor and Axel felt sorry when Hans decided to return to the island
because they loved him.

Practice test 2

A Language Functions

1 Finish the following dialogue:

Mona and Sahar meet in the afternoon. Mona asks Sahar about what she is going to do in the evening.

Mona: Good afternoon, Sahar.

Sahar: Good afternoon, Mona.

Mona: What are you doing? /Are you doing anything this evening? (Answers will vary.)

Sahar: I'm going to the airport this evening.

Mona: Oh, why?/ Why are you going there/doing that?.....(Answers will vary.)

Sahar: To meet my father. He's coming from Kuwait.

Mona: What time is he coming/will he arrive?.....(Answers will vary.)

Sahar: His plane will arrive at 10 pm.

Mona: I hope he arrives safely.

Sahar: Thanks, Mona. See you.

2 Write what you would say in each of the following situations:

- 1 You ask your older brother to help you carry your bag, as it is too heavy.

Can you please help/Would you please help me with this heavy bag?/

Would you mind helping me carry my bag?.....(Answers will vary.)

- 2 You visit your friend Kamal, who is ill in hospital.

Hello, Kamal. I hope you'll be better soon./I'm sorry you're ill. (Answers will vary.)

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- 3 You accept your friend's invitation for dinner.

Yes, I can come to dinner (tomorrow). What time do you want me to

come?/Thanks, I'd love to come. (Answers will vary.)

- 4 Your friend tells you he is sorry because he broke your camera.

You should have been more careful./That's OK. It was old anyway./ That's

OK, but would you mind buying a new one? (Answers will vary.)

5 Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:

1 Ali has just gone to France for a week. HeC..... won't be here tomorrow.

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| a probably | b never |
| c definitely | d possibly |

2 Adel is my uncle's son. He is mya.....

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| a cousin | b nephew |
| c grandson | d niece |

3 An elephant isC..... than a dog.

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| a thinner | b less |
| c bigger | d smaller |

4 My school isb..... the supermarket and the police station.

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| a inside | b between |
| c over | d in |

5 We are sure that hed..... by car.

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| a shall come | b are coming |
| c might come | d will come |

6 The thief brokeb..... the shop to steal some money.

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| a on | b into |
| c at | d with |

7 She is used toa..... tennis at the club.

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| a playing | b played |
| c plays | d play |

8 He missed the train. HeC..... earlier.

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| a got up | b would get up |
| c should have got up | d has got up |

Practice test 2

6 Rewrite the following sentences (using the word(s) in brackets) to give the same meaning:

- 1 The English travellers were crossing deserts and jungles. (not only but also)
The English travelers were crossing not only deserts, but also jungles.
- 2 The film was very interesting. I want to see it again. (so that)
The film was so interesting that I want to see it again.
- 3 I was walking to school when I met my friend. (While)
While I was walking to school, I met my friend./I met my friend while I was walking to school.
- 4 Samia went to the market to buy vegetables. (so that)
Samia went to the market so that she could buy vegetables.

7 Read and correct the underlined words:

- 1 Salma hears the phone and looked up.
Salma heard the phone and looked up.
- 2 Ahmed used to getting good marks.
Ahmed is used to getting good marks.
- 3 Mona is ill. She mustn't take her medicine.
Mona is ill. She must/should/has to take her medicine.
- 4 Sami is fond of plays football at the club.
Sami is fond of playing football at the club.

8 Write a paragraph of five (5) sentences on shopping. You may use the information provided:

- mother - shopping - week
- butcher - meat
- greengrocer - fruit - vegetables
- baker - bread - cakes
- grocer - buy

My mother goes shopping every week. She buys only a little meat at the butcher's. She buys lots of fruit and vegetables at the greengrocer's. She gets bread at the baker's, but she never buys cakes. Mum likes to bake her own cakes. Mum goes to the grocer's to buy milk, eggs, cheese and other things we need. (Answers will vary.)

D The Reader

Practice test 2

9 a Answer the following questions:

- 1** What was strange about the people that the group saw?
They were very big, more than 3 metres tall.....
- 2** Why did the scientist, Arne Saknussemm, carve his initials A.S. on a stone at the entrance of the tunnel?
To guide travelers on their way to the journey to the centre of the Earth.
- 3** How did Axel blow the rock up?
By picking a hole in the rock using Hans's pickaxe and then filling it up with gunpowder.....
- 4** What did the group lose while going down on water at a great speed?
They lost everything they owned. All that was left were some biscuits and a small piece of meat.....

b Complete the following to make meaningful sentences:

- 1** The knife which Axel found was rough because someone had tried to carve his name on a stone.....
- 2** There was lava everywhere, so Axel fainted because of the heat.....

Practice test 3

A Language Functions

1 Finish the following dialogue:

Samy meets his friend Kamal in the street. Kamal tells Samy that he is going to travel to France this summer.

- Kamal:** Hello, Samy!
- Samy:** Hi, Kamal! How are things with you?
- Kamal:** I'm going to travel to France this summer.
- Samy:** That's great! How are you going?/How will you travel/go?
- Kamal:** By plane.
- Samy:** Aren't you afraid to fly/ of flying?
- Kamal:** No, I'm not afraid because it is not the first time for me to travel by plane.
- Samy:** How long will you stay there?/What will you do there? (Answers will vary.)
- Kamal:** I will spend a week with my uncle. He works in Paris.

2 Write what you would say in each of the following situations:

- 1 You've spilled juice on your friend's bag.
Oh, I'm so sorry. Let me clean your bag./ I should have been more careful. (Answers will vary.)
- 2 Your friend thinks that English is difficult but you disagree.
I don't think it would be difficult if you studied every day./ English isn't difficult. You hear it on TV every day. (Answers will vary.)
- 3 You advise your younger brother not to watch too much TV.
You shouldn't watch so/too much TV./ It's not good to watch so/too much TV. (Answers will vary.)
- 4 You want your cousin to lend you some money.
Do you think you could/Could you lend me some money? Can/ Could I borrow some money from you, please? (Answers will vary.)

B Reading Comprehension

Practice test 3

3 Read and match:

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| 1 The car was so expensive, | a you will make a lot of mistakes. |
| 2 Nadia was very thirsty, | b I'd wear a jacket. |
| 3 If you are not a careful person, | c that Hesham didn't buy it. |
| 4 Although she was tired, | d Soha helped her mum. |
| 5 If I were you, | e that she studied hard. |
| | f so she drank a bottle of water. |

4 Read the following, then answer the questions:

Kenya is a big country in East Africa, with an area of about half a million square kilometres. Kenya has got the sea to the east. The weather is hot and humid near the sea, and dry and hot in the north. From April to June it rains often. The capital of Kenya is called Nairobi. It is a modern city with lots of traffic. In the countryside, there are mountains and wide open spaces. There are also many wild animals including lions, elephants and giraffes. Farming is important in Kenya. Tea and coffee are the main exports, as well as fruit and vegetables.

a Answer the following questions:

- 1 What is Kenya's capital city called?
The capital city is (called) Nairobi.
- 2 Name three wild animals found in Kenya.
The wild animals (found) in Kenya are lions, elephants and giraffes.
- 3 Where is the weather hot and humid in Kenya?
The weather is hot and humid near the sea. / Near the sea the weather is hot and humid.

b Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:

- 4 Which of the following does Kenya export? b
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| a giraffes | b coffee |
| c machines | d gold |
- 5 Kenya has an area of a km².
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| a 500,000 | b 5,000 |
| c 250,000 | d 1,000,000 |
- 6 When is the rainy season in Kenya? d
- | | |
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| a March-May | b August-June |
| c May-July | d April-June |

6 Rewrite the following sentences (using the word[s] in brackets) to give the same meaning:

- 1 Ashraf saw his marks. Then he ran to tell his father. (as soon as)
As soon as Ashraf saw his marks, he ran to tell his father.
- 2 Hala learned to use the computer. Then she taught her sister. (After)
After Hala had learned to use the computer, she taught her sister.
- 3 Salem may be in Port Said. He may be in Alexandria. (either or)
Salem may either be in Port Said or Alexandria. / Salem may be either in Port Said or Alexandria.
- 4 He couldn't catch the train because he walked slowly. (If)
If he had walked faster, he would have caught the train.

7 Read and correct the underlined words

- 1 Ahmed took an English test next week.
Ahmed took an English test last week.
- 2 Sally went to the bakery to buy a book.
Sally went to the bakery to buy a cake/some bread. (Answers will vary.)
- 3 Nadia agreed to buy the toy because it was too expensive.
Nadia agreed to buy the toy although it was too expensive.
- 4 You must buy goods for more money than you sell them for.
You must buy goods for less money than you sell them for.

8 Write a letter to your friend, Tamer, who lives in Alexandria with his family. Ask him to tell you about his school and his family. Invite him to visit you in Cairo during the summer holidays. Tell him how he will enjoy this visit.

(Your name is Sherif. You live at 30, Makram Ebaid Street, Nasr City, Cairo.)

30 Makram Ebaid Street
Nasr City, Cairo
15th April, 2007

Dear Tamer,

How is everything at school? How is your family? Tell me about them. Why don't you come visit us in Cairo this summer? We can go to the museum and the pyramids. There are many other interesting things in Cairo. I hope you will stay with us for a week or more.

Your friend,
Sherif
(Answers will vary.)

Practice test 3

D The Reader

9 a Answer the following questions:

- 1** How did Hans and Axel make a huge hole in the rock?
They made a hole in the rock with Hans's pickaxe.....
- 2** What happened after the explosion?
After the explosion, the shape of the rock changed, a hole opened
and the sea became one big wave.....
- 3** Why did the Professor think that they were in the middle of an active volcano?
(The Professor thought that they were in the middle of an active
volcano) because the water was driving them upwards.....
- 4** Where did the volcano throw the three men?
The volcano threw the three men out to the south coast of Italy.....

b Complete the following to make meaningful sentences:

- 5** They were not in Iceland because the sun was very hot and the ground was dry.
- 6** The volcano had thrown the three men out of the crater and they returned to
the surface of the Earth.....