

Sample Final Exam for Pre-university Students
Lessons 1-4
Curriculum Development Center
English Department

Part I. Reading Comprehension

A. Read the following passage and fill in the blanks with your own words. (2.5 points)

Every time you eat food, your body does the same thing: it uses some of the nutrients in the food as fuel. It burns these nutrients to give1..... energy or calories. You need calories2..... all of your body's functions, whether3..... is things you think about doing,4..... brushing your teeth, or things you5..... think about doing, like breathing. But6..... the body is not able to7..... all the calories that are coming8..... food, it stores them as fat.9..... helps keep you at a weight10..... is right for your height, by burning up extra calories. When you exercise, your body uses that extra fuel to keep you strong.

B. Read the following article and match each paragraph with one of the headings. There is one extra heading. (5 points)

Headings:

- A. What handball is played with
- B. What kinds of courts is handball played in
- C. What four-walled courts should look like
- D. Why people play handball
- E. What handball is
- F. Where handball courts can be found

Article:

11. Handball is an active game played with a small ball. Two to four players, wearing special **gloves**¹, take turns hitting the ball against the front wall of the court.

12. In some countries, handball courts are common in school and public **gymnasiums**² and are also found in men's clubs, outdoor playgrounds, beaches, police stations, and firehouses.

¹ Coverings for the hand with separate parts for each finger and the thumb.

² Rooms or halls for physical exercise

13. Handball is played on single-walled, three-walled, or four-walled courts. The four-walled game, which had its beginning in Ireland, is popular. Each year the Amateur Athletic Union (A.A.U.) and the U.S. Handball Association (U.S.H.A.) **sponsor**³ championship **tournaments**⁴.

14. The game is played with a small ball. The only other equipment is a pair of gloves worn by most of the players, although some play barehanded. The game is contested man against man (singles) or by two teams of two men each (doubles).

15. Standard **specifications**⁵ for the four-walled court state that it shall not measure less than 20 feet wide, 20 feet high, and 40 feet long, with a back wall 10 feet high. **Championships**⁶ may be held on other courts if their measurements are not too different from the standard specifications.

C. Put the following sentences in order and make a meaningful paragraph. Show the correct order with letters A-E in each box. (2.5 points)

16. So far, they cannot be predicted, but anyone, on any day could say this and it would be true.

17. The problem is in finding the exact area where and when a strong shock will happen

18. Saying that an earthquake is going to happen is not really predicting earthquakes.

19. This is because several millions earthquakes occur each year.

20. So, thousands occur each day, although most are too small to be located.

D. Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow. (6 points)

Robert Louis Stevenson was a Scottish writer of novels, essays, and poems. He is best remembered for his stories of adventure, such as *Treasure Island* and *Kidnapped*, and for his book of poems for young children, *A Child's Garden of Verses*.

Stevenson was born in 1850. His father was a lighthouse engineer and Stevenson wanted to follow the same profession, but a serious illness at the age of 8 left him too weak for such active work. Stevenson then studied law, but instead of working as a lawyer he turned to writing.

³ Pay for

⁴ Competitions in which the loser at each stage leaves the competition until only the winner remains

⁵ The details describing the design used to make sth

⁶ Competitions

When Stevenson was 26 years old, he met an American woman, Mrs. Fanny Osbourne. He followed her to America, and in 1880 they were married. He returned with her to Scotland, but the climate was bad for him and he began to travel to health resorts. From 1880 to 1886, Stevenson published most of the books that made him famous, including *The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*.

In 1887 Stevenson and his family sailed for America, and he never saw Europe again. He lived in New York for a time, but in 1888 he hired a ship and sailed for the South Pacific. The last years of Stevenson's life were spent on the island of Samoa, where he became a good friend to the natives and helped them fight against the injustices of some of the British governors.

21. What is the passage mainly about?
 - a. Stevenson's life in America
 - b. Stevenson's novels and poems
 - c. Stevenson's life and works
 - d. Stevenson's adventures
22. Which of the following works is NOT written by Stevenson?
 - a. Treasure Island
 - b. The Story of a Bad Boy
 - c. Kidnapped
 - d. The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr Hyde
23. Which of the following statements is true about Stevenson?
 - a. He worked as a lawyer for a few years.
 - b. He married Fanny Osbourne when he was 26.
 - c. He was in bad health because his father was always sick.
 - d. The 1880's were the most successful years of his life.
24. Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?
 - a. He was against British government.
 - b. The weather in Scotland was not good for him.
 - c. He did not have a good relationship with his parents.
 - d. Life in New York was too hard for him.
25. Find a word in the second paragraph, which means "job".
26. What does the pronoun "them" in paragraph 4 refer to?

Part II. Sentence Functions

Complete the following sentences with your own words. (2 points)

27. A car a vehicle with four wheels.
28. Protecting the environment is important our lives depend on nature and its resources.
29. Heavy rainfalls result in floods.
30. The scientific study of living beings is biology.

Part III. Vocabulary

A. Choose the best choice. (1.5 points)

31. The government's environment protection has not been successful.
 a. condition b. strategy c. culture d. climate
32. If you send the application form in straight away, I can you an interview.
 a. guarantee b. cause c. hypothesize d. locate
33. Using a mobile phone while driving the driver and may bring about accidents.
 a. reacts b. relies c. removes d. distracts

B. Write a word for each definition. The first letter of the word and its part of speech are given. (1.5 points)

34. able to change without breaking. f..... (adj.)
35. ability to laugh or make people laugh. h..... (n.)
36. change old materials to use them again. r..... (v.)

C. Fill in the blanks with one of the words from the list below. There is one extra word. (3 points)

occur, cause, common, shake, record, destructive, light

Earthquakes happen every day. Though millions of people may never experience an earthquake, it is a very37..... happening on this planet. So today, somewhere, an earthquake will38..... . It may be so39..... that only special instruments can40..... its movement. It may41..... houses, rattle windows, and change the place of small things. It may be strong enough to42..... damage, injury, and death.

Part IV. Grammar

A. Choose the best choice. (2 points)

43. It was a boring movie that we all fell asleep.
 a. so b. too c. very d. such
44. The teacher made the students a quiz every week.
 a. take b. to take c. took d. taking

45. You can put people's lives in danger by too fast.
a. a drive b. driving c. drive d. to drive
46. We couldn't drive across the bridge it was closed.
a. so b. whether c. as d. though

B. Put the following words in order to make meaningful sentences. (2 points)

47. camera, have, to, money, Mary, the, doesn't, enough, buy
48. to drive, I, too, young, think, a car, Reza, is.

C. Rewrite the following sentences with the reduced form of the underlined parts. (2 points)

49. All over the world, there are people who pollute the land.
50. The teacher told us to follow the instructions that were given at the top of the page.

Good Luck!

Part I. Reading Comprehension

A.

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|-------|--------|---------|-------------|----------|
| 1. us | 2. for | 3. it | 4. like | 5. never |
| 6. if | 7. use | 8. from | 9. Exercise | 10. that |

B.

- | | | | | |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 11. e | 12. f | 13. b | 14. a | 15. c |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|

C.

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 16. b | 17. e | 18. a | 19. c | 20. d |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|

D.

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|----------------|-----------------|-------|-------|
| 21. c | 22. b | 23. d | 24. b |
| 25. profession | 26. the natives | | |

Part II. Sentence Functions

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|--------|-------------|---------|------------|
| 27. is | 28. because | 29. may | 30. called |
|--------|-------------|---------|------------|

Part III. Vocabulary

A.

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|-------|-------|-------|
| 31. b | 32. a | 33. d |
|-------|-------|-------|

B.

- | | | |
|--------------|-----------|-------------|
| 34. flexible | 35. humor | 36. recycle |
|--------------|-----------|-------------|

C.

- | | | |
|------------|-----------|-----------|
| 37. common | 38. occur | 39. light |
| 40. record | 41. shake | 42. cause |

Part IV. Grammar

A.

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 43. d | 44. a | 45. b | 46. c |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|

B.

47. Mary doesn't have enough money to buy the camera.
 48. I think Reza is too young to drive a car.

C.

49. polluting the land
50. given at the top of the page

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Part I. Vocabulary

A. Choose the different word. (1.5 points)

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|--------------|-----------|----------|---------|
| 1. stamp | envelope | document | mailbox |
| 2. community | astronaut | mission | space |
| 3. join | connect | attach | measure |

B. Choose the best choice. (1.5 points)

4. Children under 18 need their parents' to watch this program.
a. impression b. communication c. destination d. permission
5. He needs a high income to his large family.
a. observe b. support c. magnify d. access
6. The teacher asked everyone to do a kind of work.
a. specific b. distant c. global d. rural

C. Fill in the blanks with one of the words from the list below. There is one extra word. (3 points)

ran away, memory, annoyed, serious, performance, forced, reason

Edison was born on February 11, 1847, in Milan, Ohio, and grew up in Michigan. At an early age, he showed signs of a7..... hearing problem. This may have been the8..... for his poor9..... at school. Edison did not do well there and was often10..... by the other children. Three months after starting school, Edison11..... . His mother was12..... to teach him at home.

Part II. Grammar

A. Choose the best choice. (2 points)

13. I'll stop at the theater pick up the tickets which you reserved.
a. so that b. such as c. whereas d. in order to

14. A lot of people bought those houses, the prices were high.
 a. even though b. whether c. in order that d. so that
15. Tom went to the library the books he had borrowed.
 a. returning b. return c. to return d. having returned
16. Reza speaks English very well. He in England for many years.
 a. should live b. must live c. should have lived d. must have lived

B. Put the following words in order and make meaningful sentences. (2 points)

17. work, brothers, Ali, lazy, is, while, his, hard
 18. went, slums, she, to, poor, the, help, to, the, so as

C. Complete the following dialogues. (2 points)

19. A: I don't have any idea where Helen is.
 B: She (go) to the movies with her friends.
20. A: Mike spoke very quietly.
 B: He (speak) more loudly.

Part III. Sentence Functions

Complete the following sentences with your own words. (2 points)

21. Some jobs may hurt children physically or emotionally mining, making bricks, carpets, glass, etc.
22. The part which is at the center of the earth the core.
23. There are different of plants and animals in the world.
24. Getting enough sleep is important it helps you feel more energetic.

Part IV. Reading Comprehension

A. Put the following sentences in order and make a meaningful paragraph. Show the correct order with letters A-D in each box. (2 points)

25. These astronauts did experiments and brought back samples of rock.
26. One of the best-known American space programs was project Apollo.
27. Their work helped scientist learn more about the moon.
28. The Apollo mission landed 12 humans on the moon between 1967 and 1972.

B. Read the following passage and fill in the blanks with your own words. (2 points)

Most child laborers around the world are busy doing extreme forms of work that are dangerous for their health.29..... are also being robbed of their30....., including not only the right to31..... to the highest level through education,32..... also the right to a childhood.33..... often work as many as 1234..... a day, (sometimes more), work under35..... conditions such as factories with harmful36..... in the air, handle dangerous materials, and use tools and machines which are not designed for them.

C. Read the following passage and decide whether the statements that follow are true (T), false (F) or not mentioned (N). (6 points)

The sardine is a very valuable food fish. It is found in the coastal waters of many parts of the world where the water is not too warm or too cold. The great sardine territory of the United States is off the coast of California. Every year thousands of tons of sardines are caught there.

Until recently not very much was known about the sardine's habits. Now scientists have discovered some things about the life of the sardine. The female sardine begins to lay its eggs when it is between 2 and 4 years old. It is then about eight inches long. The female lays about 100,000 eggs, which float on the surface of the water. The eggs hatch in two or three days.

Sardines are a healthful food that contains many rich oils and vitamins. They are usually canned, and are eaten in salads and sandwiches. Some of the best sardines come from the coasts of Norway and Portugal. The sardine is used also as a food for cattle and chickens, and young sardines are used by fishermen as bait to catch other fish. The oil of the sardine is used in many ways.

- | | T | F | N |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 37. Sardines are found in waters of average temperature. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 38. Americans eat thousands of tons of sardines every year. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 39. Scientists still do not know very much about the sardine. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 40. The female sardine begins to lay eggs when it is eight years old. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 41. People can use sardines to make salads and sandwiches. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 42. Norway and Portugal are the only countries in Europe, where people eat a lot of sardines. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

D. Read the following passage and fill in the table that follows. (6 points)

There were three famous sisters named Bronte. Their names were Charlotte, Emily, and Anne, and they were all writers. They were daughters of a clergyman, and had two older sisters and a brother. They went to a very strict school when they were girls, and later they became teachers and governesses. Charlotte's most famous novel was *Jane Eyre*, a story of

some of her experiences in school and as a governess. Emily wrote *Wuthering Heights*, a tragic love story that describes the countryside in which the girls were brought up. Anne wrote two good novels, *Agnes Grey* and *The Tenant of Wildfell Hall*, but neither was as great as her sisters'. All the sisters wrote under "pen-names," calling themselves Currer, Ellis and Acton Bell, and for a long time not even their publishers knew who they really were. Charlotte, Emily and Anne all died of tuberculosis at an early age.

Charlotte Bronte was born in 1816 and died in 1855. She was the only sister who married and she lived longest, though she was only 39 when she died. Emily, born in 1818, died in 1848, when she was barely 30, and Anne, born in 1820, died in 1849, aged 29. Their brother Branwell Bronte, whom they loved and admired very much, was born in 1817 and died in 1848.

Writer	Most famous novel(s)	Date of birth	Age when she died
Charlotte	(43)	(47)	(50)
Emily	(44)	(48)	(51)
Anne	(45) (46)	(49)	(52)

Now write short answers to the following questions.

53. How many brothers did the Bronte sisters have?
54. What was their father's job?

Good Luck!

8 5**Part I. Vocabulary****A.**

1. document

2. community

3. measure

B.

4. d

5. b

6. a

C.

7. serious

8. reason

9. performance

10. annoyed

11. ran away

12. forced

Part II. Grammar**A.**

13. d

14. a

15. c

16. d

B.

17. Ali is lazy while his brothers work hard.

18. She went to the slums so as to help the poor.

C.

19. may have gone

20. should have spoken

Part III. Sentence Functions

21. such as

22. is called

23. kinds

24. because

Part IV. Reading Comprehension**A.**

25. C

26. A

27. D

28. B

B.

29. They

30. rights

31. develop

32. but

33. They

34. hours

35. dangerous

36. smokes

C.

37. T
40. F

38. N
41. T

39. F
42. F

D.

43. Jane Eyre
45. Agnes Grey
47. 1816
50. 39

44. Withering Heights
46. The Tenant of Wildfell Hall
48. 1818
51. 30

49. 1820
52. 29

53. They had one brother.
54. He was a clergyman.