

ESB B2

TOTAL TIME FOR THE WRITTEN EXAM : 150 MINS (2 HOURS, 30 MINUTES)

LISTENING [20% OF TOTAL MARKS]**ALL LISTENING ITEMS ARE HEARD TWICE**

PART 1	#1 - #10	NO. OF ITEMS	10 questions on 10 short dialogues
		ITEM TYPES	three-option multiple choice questions
PART 2	#11 - #20	NO. OF ITEMS	10 questions on one extended dialogue
		ITEM TYPES	True/False

READING [20% OF TOTAL MARKS]

PART 1	#21 - 30	TEXT LENGTH	1 text of 450 words max
		NO. OF ITEMS	10 items
		ITEM TYPES	A. choose the <u>four</u> appropriate paragraph headings from the six options given; B. 6 four-option multiple choice questions
		OBJECTIVES	Skimming and scanning. Inferring the meaning of words from context.
PART 2	#31 - 35	TEXT LENGTH	1 text of 450 words max
		NO. OF ITEMS	5 items
		ITEM TYPES	four-option multiple choice questions
		OBJECTIVES	Skimming and scanning. Inferring the meaning of words from context.

USE OF ENGLISH [20% OF TOTAL MARKS]

PART 1	#36 - 45	NO. OF ITEMS	10 items
		ITEM TYPES	four-option multiple choice questions
		OBJECTIVES	Grammar
PART 2	#46 - 55	NO. OF ITEMS	10 items
		ITEM TYPES	four-option multiple choice questions
		OBJECTIVES	Vocabulary
PART 3	#56 - 65	NO. OF ITEMS	10 items on a cloze text
		ITEM TYPES	four-option multiple choice questions
		OBJECTIVES	Vocabulary and grammar
PART 4	#66 - 70	NO. OF ITEMS	5 items
		ITEM TYPES	three-option multiple choice questions
		OBJECTIVES	Vocabulary: Prefixes, Suffixes

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WRITING [20% OF TOTAL MARKS]

			LENGTH	180 - 200 words
			NO. OF ITEMS	one piece of writing from the three subjects given
			ITEM TYPES	1. an <u>email</u> to someone you know, 2. a <u>story</u> , 3. an <u>essay</u> .
			MARKING CRITERIA	Content and Appropriacy; Organisation and Cohesion; Grammar: level-appropriate range and accuracy; Vocabulary: level-appropriate range and accuracy

SPEAKING [20% OF TOTAL MARKS]

ALL QUESTIONS FOR ALL PARTS ARE TAKEN FROM THE 20 PREDICTIVE SPEAKING TOPICS

			LENGTH (TIME)	11 minutes in total. Students in pairs.
			PART ONE	3 minutes: Introductory, personal questions
			PART TWO	4 minutes: Interactive Discussion. Talk together about the topic, using any of the eight prompts given.
			PART THREE	4 minutes: Respond to the examiner's questions on a different topic.
			MARKING CRITERIA	Grammar, Vocabulary, Interactive Ability, Discourse Management, Pronunciation.