



HIPPO 2022

10th International English Language Olympiad



HIPPO 1

SEMIFINAL ROUND

READING



Time allowed: 30 minutes

There are 5 tasks.

Answer all the questions.

Use pen. Remember to transfer your answers onto
the answer sheet.

TASK 1

Choose the correct answer a or b to complete the sentences.

EXAMPLE

An **astronaut** is somebody who:

- a) teaches children how to count.
- b) goes to space in a rocket.

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You use a **bandage**:

- a) when you have cut your hand.
- b) when you have a headache.

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If someone **collects** stamps, they:

- a) buy them to send postcards or letters.
- b) buy them to look at and enjoy.

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If something is **enormous**, it is:

- a) very small, like a mouse.
- b) very big, like an elephant.

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A **husband** is:

- a) a married man.
- b) a married woman.

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If someone is walking **across** a field, they:

- a) are walking away from it.
- b) are going from one side to the other.

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When it's **foggy** outside:

- a) it's difficult to see.
- b) it's sunny and light.

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A **passenger** is someone who:

- a) rides the bus.
- b) drives the bus.

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When someone is **worried** about something, they:

- a) feel relaxed and look forward to things that will happen.
- b) think about problems and bad things that might happen.



TASK 2

Choose the correct answer a, b or c to complete the sentences.

EXAMPLE

I like working with animals. When I grow up, I'm going to be ab..... .

- a) doctor **b) farmer** c) teacher

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We missed our train because we at the station too late.

- a) left b) arrived c) went

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Dad, the biscuit tin is We need to buy some more biscuits.

- a) full b) dirty c) empty

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Anna forgot to close the back....., so her dog ran away.

- a) ceiling b) gate c) cupboard

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After a rainy day, the clouds and the sky was blue again.

- a) disappeared b) broke c) lost

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There aren't any ham sandwiches left, but you could have tuna.

- a) if b) perhaps c) already

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The film club has a new, Kate, who joined on Wednesday.

- a) winner b) television c) member

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Tomatoes taste I am never eating one again!

- a) delicious b) kind c) horrible

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Tom, you can take the bus now – you're in high school.

- a) by yourself b) by myself c) by himself



TASK 3

Choose the correct answer a, b or c to complete the dialogues.

KATE AND DAD:

EXAMPLE

Kate: Dad, I started a new sport this week.

Dad: a) No, you can't.
b) Wow, that's great.
c) When do you start?

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Kate: I played volleyball at school today and I loved it!

Dad: a) I'm not sure that's right.
b) Okay, let's go and play.
c) I'm pleased you had fun.

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Kate: I think it's the best sport. Can you play?

Dad: a) Yes, I used to be on a team.
b) Yes, twice a year usually.
c) There are so many sports.

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Kate: The teacher said we need to buy some special clothes.

Dad: a) I don't have them now.
b) Yes, can I have some please?
c) We'll have to go shopping.

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Kate: Will you come and watch my next game?

Dad: a) I hope I can.
b) You didn't come.
c) It was yesterday, I think.



SUSAN AND JOHN:

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John: Hi Susan, what did you do last weekend?

Susan: a) I'd like to go shopping at the weekend.
b) I went to a music festival with my cousin.
c) I should go somewhere nice on Sunday.

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John: Who did you see there?

Susan: a) She will sing there next week.
b) We were excited about the concert.
c) My favourite singer.

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John: That sounds fun. Did you have to travel far?

Susan: a) We travelled by car.
b) It was in a village nearby.
c) I had to get up really early.

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John: We should go together next year.

Susan: a) Let's do that.
b) That's why we can't.
c) So do I.



TASK 4

Read the story and choose a, b or c to complete it.

Hi Tom,

Howb..... you? I am really happy **25** I made a new friend this week! He's called Paul and he was born in France, but he **26** to live in Spain. He moved to the UK last month, and we now go **27** the same school.

Paul loves **28** chess and he usually does snowboarding at the weekend. In fact, he won a snowboard competition just last week. They said he was the **29** snowboarder they had ever seen! You would like Paul because you enjoy the sport too, **30** you?

On Monday morning, we are going to an art gallery with my class. Sarah, **31** is my cousin, is one of the artists working at the gallery. Her pictures are so beautiful, I hope I can be **32** good as her one day.

Speak to you soon!

James

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| EXAMPLE | a) is | <input checked="" type="radio"/> b) are | c) were |
| 25 | a) until | b) but | c) because |
| 26 | a) use | b) used | c) uses |
| 27 | a) in | b) at | c) to |
| 28 | a) play | b) playing | c) plays |
| 29 | a) faster | b) fastest | c) better |
| 30 | a) don't | b) can't | c) won't |
| 31 | a) which | b) what | c) who |
| 32 | a) as | b) that | c) so |



TASK 5

Read the story and choose the correct answer a, b or c to complete it.

A day at the funfair

My name is Lucy and I'm 11. I had an English test last week and I got a brilliant score! My parents were so proud of me that they wanted to do something nice. "What would you like to do, Lucy?", they asked me. I really like going on rides and playing games, so I said, "Let's go to the funfair!"

We prepared some food on Friday evening, and left the house early on Saturday. My sister Jamie was working that day and couldn't come with us, so I invited my friend Amy to come instead. It was sunny and warm, so I decided to wear shorts. I also wanted to wear my sunglasses, but I couldn't find them anywhere.

The journey was about 3 hours, but we stopped in a little village on the way, where we planned to have a picnic. Sadly, it suddenly became very stormy and there were lots of dark clouds. All of us felt quite cold, so we hid in a nearby restaurant and enjoyed some fish and chips. It was delicious!

When we got to the funfair, we were very excited to go on the rides. But suddenly, we saw a piece of paper on the gate – it said 'Closed'. "What are we going to do?" said mum. It had started to rain and we were far away from home. But Amy had a great idea! "We should go to the cinema. It's close to here and we can watch the new film about zebras and lions." Amy said. My parents agreed and we set off. We arrived just in time to get our tickets! It was still a great day and I had lots of fun.



EXAMPLE

Lucy is a..... years old.
a) eleven b) twelve c) nine

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How did Lucy do in her English exam?
a) well b) badly c) properly

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The family went to a funfair ...
a) on a Friday b) on a weekday c) at the weekend

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Amy is Lucy's ...
a) cousin b) friend c) sister

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What did Lucy wear for the trip?
a) sunglasses b) shorts c) sunglasses and shorts

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They went
a) on a picnic b) for lunch c) for dinner

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In the little village on their way, the weather was ...
a) sunny b) cloudy c) foggy

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They didn't go to the funfair because ...
a) it was raining b) it was closed c) they were too hungry

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In the end, they decided to go to ...
a) the zoo b) the cinema c) another funfair



HIPPO 2022

Semi-final Round

HIPPO 1 Writing Test

Time allowed: 45 minutes



Candidate Number

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Date of Birth

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1 My home. (Write about 40 words.)

2 Name the objects in the pictures.



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3 Write one word in each gap.

11 I'd like a _____ of coffee, please.

12 My parents don't _____ me to go out alone.

13 I _____ want to see him again.

14 My sister is very _____, she never speaks in front of strangers.

15 This book was cheap. It only _____ 5\$.

16 Mary and her brother _____ born in Austria.

17 We finally managed to catch a mouse in a _____.

18 I like _____ holiday the most because it is sunny and hot.

19 My favorite pastime is _____. I play with friends on a pitch next to the school.

20 My grandparents live on a small _____ in the countryside with lots of animals.

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4 Decide if the sentences are correct or incorrect. Write C for correct and I for incorrect sentences.

- 21 I have never seen such a nice house. _____
- 22 My brother is a student, he lives at university but he comes home every weekend. _____
- 23 I will be a football player when I finish school. _____
- 24 My new computer was very valuable. _____
- 25 Where did you put your bag last night? _____
- 26 Who's cap is that? _____
- 27 I am going to the supermarket. Do your sisters need something? _____
- 28 Many young womans wear short skirts. _____
- 29 John is fater than his sister. _____
- 30 Which is your phone? The blue one or the red one? _____

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