



HIPPO 2021

9th International English Language Olympiad

IESOL Assessment Reading

RQF Level: Entry 1

(CEFR Level: A1)

Candidate Booklet - Reading

HIPPO 2

Preliminary Round

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANDIDATES:

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Time allowed: 30 minutes

Total marks available: 34



Reading Task 1

Read the sentences. Choose the best option – a, b, or c - to complete each gap. An example has been done for you.

Example: I usually have _____ at 7 o'clock in the morning.

- a) breakfast b) lunch c) dinner

1. What are you doing _____ evening?
a) yesterday b) tomorrow c) last
2. The book wasn't very interesting – I was really _____ .
a) interested b) boring c) bored
3. This jacket is too _____ - I'm sorry, we can't buy it.
a) favourite b) difficult c) expensive
4. The weather is _____ today. The sun is shining, and it's nice and warm.
a) better b) worse c) well
5. I need to _____ my spelling before the test.
a) choose b) practise c) leave
6. How many friends can I _____ to my party?
a) know b) remember c) invite
7. It is important to _____ all questions from your teacher.
a) listen b) answer c) speak
8. If you don't understand a word, you can _____ it in a dictionary.
a) check b) carry c) write
9. A sheep is _____ than a horse.
a) small b) smaller c) the smallest
10. Do you live in a house or in a _____?
a) flat b) floor c) wall



Reading Task 2 - A

Read the text and answer the questions below. Choose the correct option, a, b, or c. An example has been done for you.

My Life

My name is Sammy. I live in the city of London in the UK. My school is not far from my house, so I don't need to go by bus. When the weather is nice and sunny, I ride my bike, and when it rains, I walk.

I am 9 years old. I also have a sister, who is 5. My cousin, Jack, is my best friend. He lives in a different part of the city. We don't go to school together, but I see him every weekend. Jack likes to play computer games, and I prefer to play football. But we still have fun together!

My mum works as a teacher. She teaches at a university. All of her students are adults! Before, she worked with teenagers, 15 and 16 year olds. My dad is a pilot. He travels to different countries around the world. He always brings me little presents, for example sweets or funny postcards. The best gift he got me was a little plane!

I am really interested in planes. But I don't want to fly them. I want to learn how to build them! But right now, I just paint them and hang the pictures in my bedroom.

Example: Sammy lives:

- a) in a city in the UK.
- b) in Ireland.
- c) in the countryside.

11. On rainy days, Sammy:

- a) rides his bike to school.
- b) walks to school.
- c) takes a bus to school.

12. Sammy's sister is:

- a) older.
- b) younger.
- c) the same age.

13. Sammy's cousin:

- a) goes to the same school.
- b) likes the same games.
- c) lives in the same city.

14. Sammy's mum teaches:

- a) children.
- b) teenagers.
- c) adults.

15. What is Sammy's favourite present from his dad?

- a) sweets
- b) a toy
- c) postcards

16. In the future, Sammy wants to:

- a) build planes.
- b) paint planes.
- c) fly planes.



Reading Task 2 - B

Read the text and fill in the gaps below. Choose the correct option, a, b, or c. An example has been done for you.

(Example) _____ Andy!

Did you see the programme 17)_____ travelling on TV last night? I watched it with all my family, 18) _____ we all really enjoyed it. They visited Russia. Russia is one of the 19) _____ countries in the whole world!

I learnt a lot of interesting facts about Russia. Did you know that people there speak more 20)_____ thirty languages? I'd really like to go there one day. The capital city, Moscow, looked really 21) _____.

The next programme is on Tuesday, and it starts at 6 p.m. I think it's 22) _____ to be about China. You should watch it!

Jim

Example:

a)

Hi

b) Welcome

c) Happy

17. a) again

b) at

c) about

18. a) but

b) and

c) why

19. a) biggest

b) tallest

c) quickest

20. a) than

b) of

c) from

21. a) excited

b) possible

c) beautiful

22. a) will

b) going

c) need



Reading Task 3 - A

Read the three texts and answer the questions below. An example has been done for you.

Film A

Title: 'A dark evening.'

Type of film: horror film about ghosts.

Comments: not very scary, and not very interesting. I didn't enjoy it! 2 hours long!

Available at the cinema:

1st - 15th February

Ticket cost: £14 adults, £10 students

Minimum age: 18 years and above

How good is it?



Film B

Title: 'My friend Dolly'.

Type of film: comedy with lots of jokes and funny situations.

Comments: good for families. I laughed a lot. 1 hour 15 minutes.

Available at the cinema:

every Saturday and Sunday in **February**

Ticket cost: £12 adults, £8 children

Minimum age: 5 years and above

How good is it?



Film C

Title: 'Birds in Europe'

Type of film: it teaches you about different birds.

Comments: great pictures, lots of interesting information. Only 60 minutes long.

Available at the cinema: 2-6th February (Monday to Friday only!)

Ticket cost: £10 adults, £5 children

Minimum age: 12 years and above

How good is it?





Which film...

Film

Example: is about ghosts?

A

23. is OK for young children?

24. has the cheapest tickets?

25. is only for adults?

26. is only at the weekend?

27. is the shortest in length?

28. is good for people who like to laugh?



Reading Task 3 - B

Choose the correct question to match the given answer. Choose the correct option, a, b, or c. An example has been done for you.

Example:

a) When's your birthday?

b) How old are you?

c) Where do you live?

I'm twelve years old.

29.

a) Who is your music teacher?

b) Do you like your music teacher?

c) Is that man your music teacher?

No, he's not.

30.

a) Where did you put the laptop?

b) Are you using the laptop?

c) Did you leave the laptop outside?

No, I didn't.

31.

a) When is your maths test?

b) How was your maths test?

c) Have you prepared for your maths test?

Very difficult.

32.

a) What would you like for your birthday?

b) Do you like your birthday present?

c) Would you like to have a birthday party?

I'd love to!

33.

a) Do you want help with your homework?

b) Are you busy this evening?

c) I need your help with the shopping.

No, thank you.

34.

a) Can you ride a bike?

b) Let me show you my new bike!

c) Is that a bike there, near the tree?

No, but I'd like to.



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Guide time: Approx. 20 minutes **Total marks available:** 22



Listening Task 1

Listen to six people asking questions. Choose the best response – a, b, or c.

You have one minute to read the questions before the recording is played. You will hear the recording twice.

Example Speaker.

- a) Fifteen pounds.
- b) At a quarter past two.
- c) From platform two.

55. Speaker 1.

- a) I'm almost ten.
- b) I'm better, thanks.
- c) He has a headache.

58. Speaker 4.

- a) I didn't do it.
- b) That's good.
- c) She'd like to.

56. Speaker 2.

- a) Half past eleven.
- b) It's on Tuesday.
- c) It's not far.

59. Speaker 5.

- a) It is open now.
- b) It costs £8.
- c) It's very close.

57. Speaker 3.

- a) I'd like one.
- b) I'll have a biscuit.
- c) Yes, me too!

60. Speaker 6.

- a) I liked it too.
- b) You're welcome.
- c) Here you are.



Listening Task 2

Listen to four short conversations. Choose the correct answer – a, b, or c. You have one minute to read the questions before the recording is played. You will hear the recording twice.

Example: Where are the speakers?

- a) at school
- b) at home
- c) in a shop

61. The girl needs help with:

- a) maths.
- b) English.
- c) maths and English.

63. Where is the phone?

- a) on the sofa
- b) on the floor
- c) on the table

62. When are the friends going to meet?

- a) later today
- b) on Saturday
- c) on Sunday

64. Where are the speakers?

- a) in a café
- b) in a garden
- c) in a shop

Listening Task 3

Listen to the conversation and answer the questions. Choose the correct answer – a, b, or c. You have one minute to read the questions before the recording is played. You will hear the recording twice.

Example: Who is Greg?

- a) a new student
- b) a new teacher
- c) a student's parent

65. How old is Greg?

- a) 13
- b) 14
- c) 17

66. Where does Greg come from?

- a) Spain
- b) Germany
- c) France



67. What languages does Greg speak?

- a) German, French and Spanish
- b) Spanish and English
- c) German, French and English

68. What is Greg's favourite hobby?

- a) reading books
- b) playing sport
- c) watching films

69. Greg's favourite actress is:

- a) Penelope Cruz.
- b) Elena Enaya.
- c) Elena Anaya.

70. Greg wants to work in a:

- a) cinema.
- b) hospital.
- c) school.

Listening Task 4

Listen and answer the questions. Choose A for true or B for false. You have one minute to read the questions before the recording is played. You will hear the recording twice.

Example:

Sonia is calling about a shopping trip.

A - True B - False

71. Sonia wants to buy Anna a present.

A - True B - False

72. Sonia suggests lunch with Anna.

A - True B - False

73. The café is next to the clothes shop.

A - True B - False

74. Sonia had a salad at the café.

A - True B - False

75. Anna should take bus number 9.

A - True B - False

76. Sonia wants to meet at 11 o'clock.

A - True B - False

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Reading Task 1

Question	Answer
1.	B
2.	C
3.	C
4.	A
5.	B
6.	C
7.	B
8.	A
9.	B
10.	A
Total: / 10	

Reading Task 2

Question	Part - A	Part - B
11.	B	17 C
12.	B	18 B
13.	C	19 A
14.	C	20 A
15.	B	21 C
16.	A	22 . B
Total: / 6		6

Question	Part - A	Part - B
23.	B	29 C
24.	C	30 C
25.	A	31 B
26.	B	32 C
27.	C	33 A
28.	B	34 A

Use of English

35	a
36	a
37	b
38	c
39	b
40	c
41	b
42	b
43	b
44	c
45	c
46	c
47	b
48	c
49	a
50	b
51	c
52	b
53	c
54	a

Listening

Listening Task 1

Listening Task 2

Question	Answer	Answer
55.	B	61- A
56.	A	62 - C
57.	C	63- B
58.	B	64 - C
59.	C	
60.	C	

Listening Task 3

Listening Task 4

Question	Answer	Answer
65.	A	71 - B - False
66.	A	72 - A - True
67.	B	73 - B - False
68.	C	74 - B - False
69.	C	75- A - True
70.	B	76 -B - False