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Level A1 Certificate in ESOL International
(A1 CEFR)

MOCK TEST

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Candidate Name: _____

EXAM ID: _____

This examination consists of one paper. You must sit the examination for Listening, Reading Comprehension and Writing.

Mode of Assessment	Questions	Marks	
Listening	1-20	20	20 minutes
Reading Comprehension	21-60	40	90 minutes
Writing	61	20	

LISTENING

The Listening component of the A1 exam is divided into three parts: Part A, Part B, and Part C.

- You will hear a series of recordings. Each recording will be played twice.
- You may take notes while listening.
- At the end of the recordings, you will have time to transfer your answers.
- If you have any questions, please ask them before the exam begins.

PART A

You will listen to two dialogues. Each dialogue is followed by five multiple-choice questions.

- Listen carefully and choose the correct answer for each question.
- Each dialogue will be played twice.

PART B

You will listen to a recording and complete 5 questions.

- Choose the correct answer from multiple-choice given options.
- The recording will be played twice.

PART C

You will listen to the final recording, where you must complete sentences with missing information.

- Choose the correct answer from 8 options given.
- The recording will be played twice.

PART A

Listen to the dialogues and choose the correct answer A), B) or C) for statements **1-10**. You will hear each dialogue **twice**.

Dialogue 1

1. The man _____ where the post office is.

- A:** doesn't know **B:** knows **C:** shows
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2. The post office is _____.

- A:** at the end of the road **B:** around the corner on the left **C:** around the corner on the right
-

3. The man must send a _____

- A:** postcard **B:** letter **C:** watch
-

4. The post office closes at _____ time to get into the London Eye.

- A:** 4pm **B:** 4.55pm **C:** 5pm
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5. The man's watch is showing the _____ time.

- A:** wrong **B:** right **C:** work
-

Dialogue 2

6. Tom is reading a book he _____.

- A:** received **B:** bought **C:** finished
-

7. Tom _____ the book.

- A:** doesn't like **B:** loves **C:** likes
-

8. The book is about a _____

- A:** crime **B:** romance **C:** journey
-

9. Anna thinks the story is _____.

- A:** good **B:** funny **C:** bad
-

10. The man can't go for a run because of the _____.

- A:** weather **B:** time **C:** book
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PART B

Listen to **two** announcements. Choose the correct option for each sentence from **11-15**. Choose A if the statement refers to announcement 1, choose B if the statement refers to announcement 2 and choose C if there is no reference to the statement. You will hear the recording **twice**.

A: Announcement 1 **B:** Announcement 2 **C:** Doesn't say

- 11. The train will arrive at the right time.
- 12. The information desk is next to a gate.
- 13. There is a different train number
- 14. In this announcement the name of a person is called
- 15. The plane will arrive late

PART C

Listen to the recordings and choose the best answer from **A** to **H** for questions **16-20**. You will hear the recording **twice**. Three letters are **not** required.

A: She is older than me.	B: Yes, it's five minutes from here.	C: He is thirty-six.
D: I bought it on the internet.	E: Of course. Sorry!	F: A few months ago.
	G: Yes, it is quiet!	H: To America!

16.	
17.	
18.	
19.	
20.	

READING COMPREHENSION and WRITING

In this Part of the Exam, you will complete a total of eight sections:

- Reading Comprehension: Sections 1-7
- Writing: Section 8

Read the instructions for each section and choose the correct answers for each task. Mark the correct answer on your answer sheet in the correct box. Use a black pen only.

There is **only one correct answer** for each number.

Time allowed: 90 minutes

SECTION 1

For questions **21-25**, read the signs and choose the correct options from A), B) or C).

21.

ENTRANCE ONLY

A) You can go in here.

B) You can leave here.

C) You must stay outside.

22.

BATHROOM OUT OF ORDER

A) The bathroom can't be used.

B) You can use the bathroom.

C) The bathroom is outside.

23.

PLEASE KEEP QUIET

A) You can talk loudly.

B) You must be silent.

C) You should sing.

24.

MIND THE STEP

A) Walk quickly.

B) Sit down here.

C) You must watch out.

25.

NO DOGS ALLOWED

A) You can bring your dog.

B) Dogs can come in.

C) Dogs can't come in.

SECTION 2

Read the conversation between Emma and Tom and choose the most suitable option from **A-H** to fill the gaps. You can only use the letter **ONCE**, there are two extra options you do not need.

Emm: Hello!

Tom: Hi!

Emm: Are you waiting for the bus?

Tom: 26. _____.

Emm: Me too. Where are you going?

Tom: 27. _____. And you?

Emm: I'm going shopping. And you?

Tom: 28. _____.

Emm: Nice. Do you go to the city every day?

Tom: 29. _____.

Emm: Well, I hope the bus comes soon.

Tom: 30. _____.

A: Yes, but usually for work

B: I'll go upstairs.

C: Yes, I am

D: I can't pay.

E: To the city.

F: Me too! I don't want to be late.

G: I'm meeting a friend.

H: Tickets please.

SECTION 3

Read the three texts about people's experiences during the winter season. For each question **31-35** match the best answer from A), B) or C) to the statement. Each letter can be used **more than ONCE**.

Example:

0. Who has fun in the snow?

A

A:

I love winter because I can play in the snow! First, I wake up early and immediately put on my jacket, hat, and gloves. Then, I go outside. I make a big snowman and throw snowballs with my friends. Sometimes, I lie on the ground and make a snow angel. After that, I go inside and drink hot chocolate.

B:

I like to go ice skating in winter in the late morning. First, I wear warm clothes, then I put on my skates. At first, I go slowly, but later, I skate better. Sometimes, I fall, but I get up and try again. I prefer to go alone. After skating, I drink hot tea. It makes me feel warm and happy! However, summer is still my favourite season.

C:

When it is very cold, I stay inside, sleep and relax. I sit near the fireplace and read a book. Sometimes, I watch movies or play games with my family. In the evening, we drink hot chocolate and eat biscuits. I like winter because it is cosy and special.

31. Who **doesn't** go outside?

32. Who does a sporty activity?

33. Who prefers seeing a film?

34. Who **doesn't** get up late?

35. Who prefers warmer weather?

SECTION 4

Read the text below and then statements **36-40**. For each statement, choose the best answer from A) True, B) False or C) doesn't say.

Then for questions **41-45** read the statements and choose the best answer A) Emma or B) Daniel. Fill in the space on your answer sheet with a **black pen only**. There is **only ONE correct answer** for each number.

Example:

0. Toronto is in Canada.

A

Based on the text below, the best answer is **A) True**.

The life of Emma and Daniel

Emma and Daniel live in Toronto, a big city in Canada. They were born in Montreal, but they moved to Toronto three years ago when Daniel got a job as a teacher. Emma also works in a school. She is a librarian, and she loves books.

They live in a small apartment in the city centre. It is close to their jobs, so they walk to work every day. However, the apartment is too small, and they want more space. The street is also very busy, and they do not like the noise. Because of this, they are looking for a new house.

Emma and Daniel want a house with three bedrooms and a garden. Emma loves flowers, and she wants to grow roses and tulips. Daniel enjoys reading outside, so he wants a big terrace. They also want a large kitchen because they like cooking together.

Houses in Toronto are very expensive, so they need to save more money. They hope to find a nice home soon.

For statements **36-40**, choose the best answer A) True, B) False or C) Doesn't say.

A:	true
B:	false
C:	doesn't say

- 36.** Emma and Daniel have the same birthplace.
- 37.** Daniel is a history teacher.
- 38.** Emma and Daniel prefer quiet locations to live.
- 39.** Daniel loves gardening.
- 40.** Daniel would like to have a big living room.

For questions **41-45** read the statements and choose the best answer A) Emma or B) Daniel or C) both.

A:	Emma
B:	Daniel
C:	Both

- 41.** Who was born in Montreal?
- 42.** Who walks to work?
- 43.** Who likes to grow plants?
- 44.** Who wants to spend time outside with a book?
- 45.** Who is looking for a big kitchen?

SECTION 5

For questions **46-50** read the paragraph and choose the correct option from A), B) or C) to fill the gap. There is **only ONE correct answer** for each number. Here is an example:

Anna ⁰ _____ apples.

A:	like	B:	likes	C:	liking
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The correct answer is **B)**. Mark **B** on your answer sheet in the correct box.

Anna ⁰ _____ apples because they are sweet and tasty. She eats one every morning, she ⁴⁶ _____ to be healthy. Today, she wants to buy ⁴⁷ _____ apples, so she goes to the market. The market is busy, and there are ⁴⁸ _____ people. Because of this, she walks slowly.

46.

A: wants **B:** hates **C:** can

47.

A: more **B:** less **C:** no

48.

A: a lot **B:** much **C:** many

Tom wakes up early because he has to ⁴⁹ _____ school. First, he gets out of bed, and then he goes to the bathroom. After that, he washes his face and brushes his teeth. He feels fresh, so he smiles. Next, he goes to the kitchen. He is ⁵⁰ _____, so he eats some bread and drinks a glass of milk.

49.

A: go to **B:** leave **C:** enjoy

50.

A: sad **B:** hungry **C:** tired

SECTION 6

For questions **51-55** read the dialogue and choose the correct option from A), B) or C) then fill in the space on your answer sheet with a black pen only. There is only one correct answer for each number.

51. A: _____ bag is this?

B: It isn't mine. I think it's my sister's.

A: Who

B: Whose

C: Who's

52. A: Does anyone play an instrument in your family?

B: Yes, Emily _____ the guitar very well.

A: plays

B: play

C: is playing

53. A: Did you _____ Anthony yesterday evening?

B: No, I didn't.

A: get up

B: eat

C: see

54. A: How much exercise do you do?

B: A lot. I go _____ three times a week.

A: run

B: running

C: to running

55. A: Do you know which day you were born?

B: Yes, I do. I was born _____ a Tuesday.

A: on

B: at

C: in

SECTION 7

For questions **56-60** read the description and choose the correct option from **A-H**. There is **only ONE correct answer** for each question.

A: school	B: cold	C: chair
D: TV	E: water	F: milk
G: desk	H: book	

- 56.** Something you sit on which has four legs and a back.
- 57.** A place where children go to learn and study.
- 58.** An object with pages and words that you can read.
- 59.** A drink that people usually put in coffee or cereal.
- 60.** You feel this when the weather is not warm.

WRITING

SECTION 8

61. Choose ONE writing exercise

A. Write a short paragraph about where you live (about **40-60 words**) and include the information below:

- The different rooms in your house/apartment.
- Which room you use the most and why.
- What you would like to buy next to put in your house/apartment

B. Write a short paragraph (about **40-60 words**) about a typical day. Include the information below:

- What time you get up
- What you eat for breakfast, lunch and dinner
- How you travel to work/school.

Write your answer in the space provided on the answer sheet.

Please write clearly and use a black pen only.

ANSWERS**Listening - Part A**

1. (A)
2. (C)
3. (B)
4. (C)
5. (A)
6. (A)
7. (A)
8. (B)
9. (C)
10. (A)

Listening - Part B

11. (B)
12. (A)
13. (C)
14. (A)
15. (C)

Listening - Part C

16. (C)
17. (H)
18. (F)
19. (E)
20. (B)

LISTENING TOT __/20**Reading and Use of English I**

21. (A)
22. (A)
23. (B)
24. (C)
25. (C)

Reading and Use of English II

26. (C)
27. (E)
28. (G)
29. (A)
30. (F)

Reading and Use of English III

31. (C)
32. (B)
33. (C)
34. (A)
35. (B)

Reading and Use of English IV

36. (A)
37. (C)
38. (A)
39. (B)
40. (B)
41. (C)
42. (C)
43. (A)
44. (B)
45. (C)

Reading and Use of English V

46. (A)
47. (A)
48. (C)
49. (A)
50. (B)

Reading and Use of English VI

51. (B)
52. (A)
53. (C)
54. (B)
55. (A)

Reading and Use of English VII

56. (C)
57. (A)
58. (H)
59. (F)
60. (B)

READING AND USE OF ENGLISH TOT __/40**WRITING TASK**

61. Requires an Impression Mark
Total maximum score 20

WRITING TOT __/20**SPEAKING**

Requires a score out of 20

SPEAKING TOT __/20**TOTAL EXAMINATION SCORE ____/100**

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SCRIPTS

PART A

Dialogue 1:

Man: Excuse me. Is there a post office near here?
Woman: Yes, there is... If you go to the end of this road and then turn left, you will see it on the right.
Man: That's great, thank you! I need to get there before it closes... I have an important letter to send.
Woman: Well, you will need to be quick! It's four fifty-five now and I think it closes at 5 pm!!!
Man: Oh *no*! My watch says that it's only 4 o'clock... it isn't working!!!
Woman: If you run, you can still get to the post office before it closes.
Man: Ok... yes, I will! Thank you! Bye!
Woman: Bye!

Dialogue 2:

Anna: What's that you're reading, Tom?
Tom: Hi Anna. It's a book my wife gave me for my last birthday.
Anna: Oh, is it interesting?
Tom: No, not really, but I'm really *bored* and don't have anything else to do.
Anna: What's the book about?
Tom: It's about a man and a woman who love each other, but they live in different countries.
Anna: That sounds terrible!
Tom: Yes, I think my wife bought it for herself, not for me!
Anna: Well... why don't you go out for a run instead?
Tom: No, it's raining.
Anna: Oh well... enjoy the book then!

Part B

Announcement 1

This is an announcement for Mr P Smith... that's Mr P Smith. Please come to the information desk next to gate 18.

Announcement 2

The 9.26 train from Exeter to London will now leave at 9.31 from platform 7 and *not* platform 9. It will arrive at London Waterloo station on time.

Part C

16. *Male voice* – “Your friend asks you...”

Female voice – “How old is your brother?”

17. *Female voice* – “You are at the travel agent. The assistant asks you...”

Male voice – “Where would you like to go?”

18. *Male voice* – “At your place, your friend asks you...”

Female voice – “When did you buy this new sofa?”

19. *Female voice* – “You are in the library talking to a friend. The library assistant says...”

Male voice – “Please be quiet!”

20. *Male voice* – “You are walking down the street. A woman asks you...”

Female voice – “Do you know where the cinema is, please?”

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ORAL EXAM FORMAT

Speaking	Task Focus	Task Type
PART A Interview and warm-up	The learner will be able to greet the examiner, provide basic personal details (e.g. name, age, nationality), and answer simple questions on familiar topics such as family, daily routines, likes and dislikes.	Oral interaction with the interlocutor. 1-2 mins per candidate
PART B Extended Discourse	The learner will be able to describe a picture using simple sentence structures, limited lexical items, and basic descriptive language. The task supports guided speech, allowing learners to talk about familiar objects, people, or activities shown in a visual prompt.	Oral discourse (individual production with visual support) 2 mins per candidate
PART C Paired discussion	The learner will be able to ask and answer basic questions and exchange short statements with a partner on a familiar topic. Learners are encouraged to express simple opinions or facts, using rehearsed or formulaic expressions. This phase simulates a natural interaction, assessing the learner's ability to participate in basic spoken exchanges.	Paired interaction between candidates 2-3 mins overall
Total 20 marks		

ONLINE EXAMINATION KICK OFF

The interlocutor addresses both candidates in turn

Interlocutor:

Good morning.

Before we start, could I have your consent to record this exam session?

(wait for positive response from candidates)

Ok. Thank you.

(start recording)

My name is _____. I'll be your interlocutor today. My examiner ID is _____.

With me today is your assessor and he/she will be listening to the session.

Assessor:

Good morning. My name is _____ and my examiner ID is _____.

Interlocutor:

This is the oral examination for level A1. Today is *(date and year)*.

Let's begin with verifying your IDs.

to each candidate

What is your full name?

(wait for response from candidates)

Can you show me your ID?

(make sure ID corresponds to candidate's details)

Thank you.

Ok. Now we are ready to start.

First, I'm going to ask each of you a set of questions. You have some time to answer but do not worry if I interrupt you. Any questions?

(ask a set of questions to candidate A, then candidate B)

FACE TO FACE KICK OFF

Good morning. My name is _____. I'll be your interlocutor today. My examiner ID is _____.

With me today is your assessor and he/she will be listening to your session.

Let's begin with your names. What is your full name (*candidate A and B*)

First, I'm going to ask each of you a set of questions. You have some time to answer but do not worry if I interrupt you. Any questions?

PART A

Interlocutor: *Address candidates in turn. Candidate A and Candidate B.*

Where do you live?

What do you like about where you live?

What is your favourite place to relax? why?

What do you do / study?

Tell me about your family.

How old is?

Where does he/she work/study?

What's your favourite film?

How often do you go to the cinema?

Who is/are your favourite actor/actress?

Why do you like him/her?

Where do you live?

Describe your house or flat.

Do you like it? Why or why not?

Why are you studying English?

PART B
DISCOURSE FORMAT – PEOPLE

The main objective, here, is for the candidates to describe the pictures in as much detail as possible. Start with candidate B, ask candidate to describe the picture. Follow the same procedure for Candidate A and eventually candidate C.

Interlocutor: *Address both/all candidates*

I'm going to give each of you a picture to describe.

Now, (B)..... I'd like you to describe this picture. *(show picture)*

The picture shows (a person)

Use the prompts to create your discussion.

Remember, you only have about 1 minute for this, so don't worry if I stop you.

Allow about 1 minute or more

Thank you (B)

to Candidate A:

Now, (A)..... I'd like you to describe this picture. *(show picture)*

The picture shows... (a person)

Use the prompts to create your discussion.

Remember, you only have about 1 minute for this, so don't worry if I stop you.

Allow about 1 minute or more

Thank you (A)

Repeat the same procedure for candidate C.



- Describe the man's hair, build etc.
- What is the man wearing?
- Where is the man from?
- What is the man doing?
- What else can you say?



- Describe the woman's hair, build etc.
- What is the woman wearing?
- Where is the woman from?
- What is the woman doing?
- What else can you say?



- Describe the woman's hair, build etc.
- What is the woman wearing?
- Where is the woman from?
- What is the woman doing?
- What else can you say?

PART C

DISCUSSION – Party organisation

The interlocutor gives candidates the set of pictures for the task. The aim is to encourage the candidates to speak to each other. Candidates should take turns asking and answering questions.

Interlocutor: *Address both/all candidates*

Now, I'd like you to talk together and plan a birthday party for your friends, the twins.

Let's have a look at the task together.

(show candidates question prompts and point)

These are the twins – you're organising a birthday party for them.

Together decide what present to buy, what food to make, where to have the party, what music you want at the party and what type of party it is. These are just some ideas for you, talk to each other and plan the party details.

You only have about 2 minutes for this, so, once again, don't worry if I stop you. Do you have any questions?

Start when you are ready.

Allow 2 minutes for the discussion

Thank you, this is the end of the examination.

EXAMINER TIP: Do not correct candidates while they are speaking, do not correct the questions if they are wrong. Candidates should be interacting amongst themselves. If the candidates do not understand each other or sit in silence, point to other question prompts and encourage to move on.

PARTY ORGANISATION DISCUSSION PROMPTS



Present



Food



Location



Music



Type of party

