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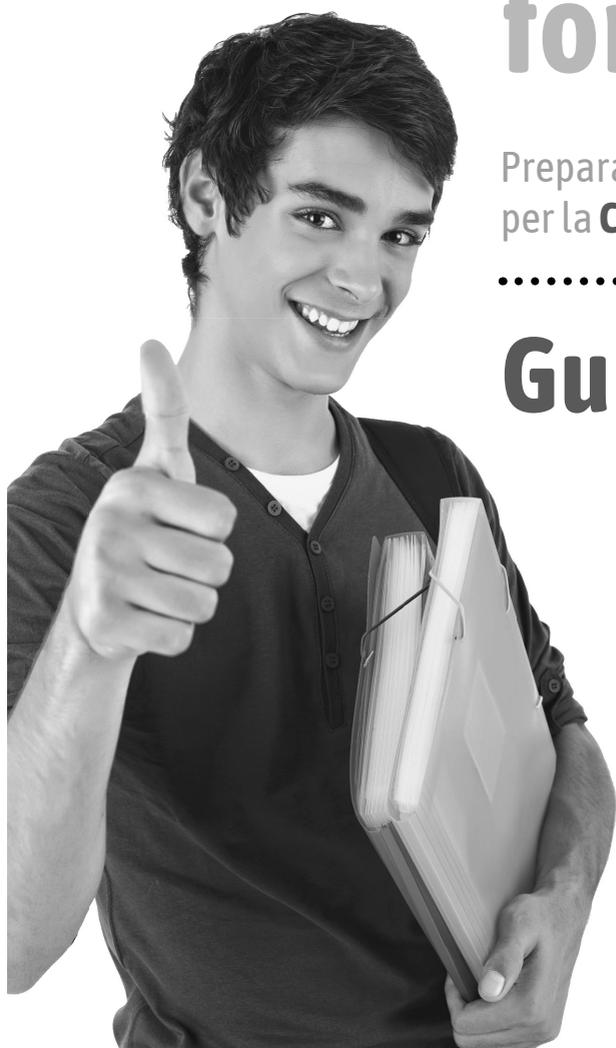
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## Guida per l'insegnante



  
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### Reading 1 • What do famous people do in the morning?

#### 1. Multiple choice questions

- 1 B      2 A      3 B      4 D

#### 2. Short answer questions

- 1 She does yoga / yoga
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 To school
- 4 Two / 2
- 5 Turkey, pork or veggie
- 6 At 8 a.m.

#### 3. True/False/Not given

- 1 If there's no work Jennifer likes staying in bed until 10. **FALSE**
- 2 Jennifer always does yoga for 50 minutes. **FALSE**
- 3 After waking up, Kate Hudson watches TV. **TRUE**
- 4 Kate usually does some gardening too. **NOT GIVEN**
- 5 Mark Zuckerberg runs every morning. **NOT GIVEN**

#### 4. Multiple matching

- |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 F | 3 G | 5 C |
| 2 B | 4 D | 6 E |

### Reading 2 • Winter in Brazil

#### 1. Multiple choice questions

- 1 D      2 A      3 D      4 D

#### 2. Short answer questions

- 1 In the South / In Brazil
- 2 It finishes in September / In September / September

- 3 It starts in December / In December / December
- 4 To the seaside
- 5 She swims and sunbathes
- 6 Because it's very rainy / Because it's rainy

#### 3. True/False/Not given

- 1 She lives in the Southern part of Brazil. **TRUE**
- 2 In Brazil it's always wet. **FALSE**
- 3 Gabriela doesn't like winter. **TRUE**
- 4 Gabriela usually spends Christmas day at the seaside. **TRUE**
- 5 At Christmas you can go skiing. **FALSE**

#### 4. Multiple matching

- |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 D | 3 C | 5 G |
| 2 A | 4 B | 6 F |

### Reading 3 • Paul's family

#### 1. Multiple choice questions

- 1 A      2 D      3 A      4 B

#### 2. Short answer questions

- 1 He's a lawyer / A lawyer
- 2 He's one / One / One year old
- 3 They're Paul's sisters / Paul's sisters
- 4 Emily
- 5 Layla
- 6 He's got red hair

#### 3. True/False/Not given

- 1 Paul's mother works in a supermarket. **FALSE**
- 2 Paul's got a large family. **TRUE**
- 3 Liam has got curly hair. **TRUE**
- 4 Paul is a student. **NOT GIVEN**
- 5 Paul loves dogs. **NOT GIVEN**

#### 4. Multiple matching

- |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 B | 3 A | 5 I |
| 2 G | 4 C | 6 D |

### Reading 4 • My best friend

#### 1. Multiple choice questions

- 1 A      2 C      3 C      4 D

#### 2. Short answer questions

- He's thirteen / Thirteen / 13 / He's thirteen years old
- His bike / A bike / The bike
- She's Joe's schoolmate / Joe's schoolmate
- She's pretty and intelligent / Pretty and intelligent
- It's Queen / Queen
- Opposite Daniel's house

#### 3. True/False/Not given

- Daniel is funny and generous. **NOT GIVEN**
- Daniel and Joe sometimes argue. **TRUE**
- Ellie has blue eyes. **NOT GIVEN**
- Sometimes Daniel walks Ellie's dog. **TRUE**
- Daniel and Ellie never meet. **FALSE**

#### 4. Multiple matching

- |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 A | 3 H | 5 E |
| 2 C | 4 F | 6 B |

### Reading 5 • A Christmas invitation

#### 1. Multiple choice questions

- 1 C      2 A      3 D      4 B

#### 2. Short answer questions

- The school orchestra / The orchestra
- At 2 p.m. / At 2
- The number 11 bus / The number 11 / Number 11
- A car park
- £2 / Two pounds
- Mr. Roger West / Roger West

#### 3. True/False/Not given

- The Auditorium is in the school. **FALSE**
- The concert finishes at 4:30 p.m. **FALSE**
- The tickets for children under 14 are free. **TRUE**
- The main car park isn't open. **FALSE**
- There is a huge Christmas tree at the entrance of the Auditorium. **NOT GIVEN**

#### 4. Multiple matching

- |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 G | 3 C | 5 D |
| 2 E | 4 F | 6 B |

### Reading 6 • Malala's fight for education

#### 1. Multiple choice questions

- 1 C      2 B      3 B      4 A

#### 2. Short answer questions

- It's in Pakistan / Pakistan / In Pakistan
- A gunman / The Talibans
- She became famous
- It's on 12 July / 12 July
- She was 17 / 17 / Seventeen
- She lives in Birmingham / In Birmingham / Birmingham

#### 3. True/False/Not given

- Malala challenged the Talibans. **TRUE**
- Malala spent a long time in hospital. **NOT GIVEN**
- Malala was born in October. **FALSE**
- Malala wrote a book after the attempt on her life. **TRUE**
- The Talibans pronounced July 12 "Malala Day". **FALSE**

4. Multiple matching

- 1 C                    3 E                    5 B  
2 A                    4 F                    6 D

Reading 7 • Visiting Sydney

1. Multiple choice questions

- 1 B            2 C            3 B            4 B

2. Short answer questions

- 1 About 4 million people / About 4 million  
2 It's a monumental building / A monumental building / A building  
3 In 1898 / 1898  
4 Shops, restaurants, cafès, exhibitions  
5 The Sidney Harbour Bridge  
6 On New Year's Eve / New Year's Eve

3. True/False/Not given

- 1 Sidney is a very expensive city.            **TRUE**  
2 You can live very well in Sydney.            **TRUE**  
3 If you want to see a concert you go to the Sydney Opera House.            **TRUE**  
4 Millions of people visit the QVB.            **NOT GIVEN**  
5 Bondi Beach is a very large beach.            **NOT GIVEN**  
6 There aren't many things to do in Sydney.            **FALSE**

4. Multiple matching

- 1 H                    3 B                    5 E  
2 A                    4 G                    6 I

Reading 8 • A loyal dog

1. Multiple choice questions

- 1 A            2 C            3 D            4 B

2. Short answer questions

- 1 Golden brown

- 2 To the nearby station / To the station  
3 Some food / Food  
4 For his loyalty / His loyalty  
5 In 1935  
6 Outside the station

3. True/False/Not given

- 1 Hachiko was an Akita Inu.            **TRUE**  
2 Professor Ueno took the train to work three times a week.            **FALSE**  
3 Professor Ueno was a brilliant teacher.            **NOT GIVEN**  
4 Professor Ueno had a lovely daughter too.            **NOT GIVEN**  
5 Hachiko came back to the same train station every day, for nine years.            **TRUE**

4. Multiple matching

- 1 F                    3 B                    5 G  
2 E                    4 C                    6 D

Reading 9 • A page from Lucy's diary

1. Multiple choice questions

- 1 A            2 B            3 D            4 D

2. Short answer questions

- 1 Sarah was born / Sarah  
2 Some balloons and buntings / Balloons and buntings  
3 They were pink / Pink  
4 With some photos / With photos  
5 An apple pie  
6 Her gradma / Her grandmother

3. True/False/Not given

- 1 Sarah always cries            **FALSE**  
2 Lucy decorated a wall with some drawings            **FALSE**  
3 Lucy invited all her friends            **TRUE**

- 4 Her friends bought some presents **NOT GIVEN**  
 5 They took a lot of photos **TRUE**

**4. Multiple matching**

- 1 G            3 B            5 D  
 2 F            4 C            6 E

**Reading 10 • The pancake race**

**1. Multiple choice questions**

- 1 A            2 C            3 A            4 C

**2. Short answer questions**

- 1 Near a river  
 2 Making a pancake  
 3 Every Shrove Tuesday / On Shrove Tuesday

- 4 From the local marketplace  
 5 An apron and headscarf  
 6 Famous chefs / Chefs

**3. True/False/Not given**

- 1 The story tells a woman ran to the church still holding her frying pan. **TRUE**  
 2 People from all over the world come to see the race. **NOT GIVEN**  
 3 The race finishes at the Town Hall. **FALSE**  
 4 Lisa's mum took part in it two years ago. **FALSE**  
 5 You can win fabulous prizes at the lottery. **TRUE**

**4. Multiple matching**

- 1 G            3 B            5 D  
 2 F            4 C            6 E

## Listening 1 • My neighbours

### Section 1 – Text transcription

Hi, my name is Betty, I live at number 7, George Street. My neighbours are friendly and helpful. I have three next-door neighbours.

Saskya lives at number 9 and Meg and John live at number 11. Every afternoon, Saskya and I go jogging together, then we stop at the café for a drink. If I go on holiday, Saskya waters my plants for me. When Meg and John go away, I feed their goldfish and look after their hamster. They have got two daughters, Lucy and Amy. They are two and six and sometimes I drive them to school.

Billy lives opposite me at number 8. He cooks very well. Angie lives at number 12. She is quite nosey and likes to know everything about everyone. She loves to gossip!

Antonia lives at number 14. She is quite old and doesn't go out much. Sometimes I visit her for a chat and a cup of tea. She likes to talk about her grandchildren.

I love my neighbourhood!

### Section 2 – Keys to exercises

#### 1. Multiple choice questions

1 B      2 A      3 A      4 C

#### 2. Short answer questions

- 1 She has eight neighbours / Eight / Eight neighbours
- 2 At number 11 / Number 11 / 11 / Eleven
- 3 Betty
- 4 Two and six / Two and six years / 2 and 6
- 5 He lives opposite Betty / Opposite Betty / At number 8
- 6 She loves to gossip / To gossip

#### 3. Multiple matching

- |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 D | 3 B | 5 F |
| 2 H | 4 G | 6 E |

## Listening 2 • Schools in England

### Section 1 – Text transcription

#### Samantha

I'm at Queen's College in London, in my class there are only girls. We study many subjects like Maths, English, Science or History. I'm studying a second language now: Italian.

Music and Art are very important subjects and the teachers are really brilliant. There is a school orchestra and an opera company, we have individual singing and instrument lessons. But all of this helps us to develop our own style. We usually organise a huge school play during the year.

Dance is very important too I'm attending a flamenco club.

During the summer term, the school usually organises a five-day trip to visit the Hadrian's wall.

#### Ralph

I'm at Eton, it is one of the oldest and most expensive secondary schools in Britain. Like all boarding schools, I live here all year and I go home just for the holidays. There are only boys.

We wear a uniform: the classical Eton Jacket.

After school, I attend the *Keynes* society. We discuss about economics; that's really interesting. I'm a *wet bob* too. I row on the river and I'm in the school rowing team.

The most important time of the year is the fourth of June when we celebrate the birthday of King George III. There's a procession of boats in which the top rowing crews row in old wooden rowing boats. I love it.

### Section 2 – Keys to exercises

#### 1. Multiple choice questions

1 B      2 C      3 D      4 B

#### 2. Short answer questions

- 1 They are brilliant / Brilliant
- 2 A school play / A play
- 3 To the Hadrian's wall / On a school trip
- 4 A boarding school

- 5 They study economics / Economics
- 6 The fourth of June / 4 June / June 4

**3. Multiple matching**

- |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 F | 3 G | 5 C |
| 2 D | 4 A | 6 E |

**Listening 3 • This room is a mess**

**Section 1 – Text transcription**

**Sophie** What are you doing, Harry?  
**Harry** I'm tidying up my room.  
**Sophie** Oh, it's a complete mess! Can I help you?  
**Harry** Yes, thank you!  
**Sophie** And these books? Do I put them on the shelf?  
**Harry** Yes, put them on the shelf.  
**Sophie** What about these socks? Yuck, they smell!  
**Harry** Give them to me!  
**Sophie** What is this?  
**Harry** It's my brother's skateboard, leave it on the floor.  
**Sophie** And ... these chicken bones?  
**Harry** Throw them into the bin.  
**Sophie** This picture is interesting ...  
**Harry** Give me that picture!  
**Sophie** Who's the girl in the photo?  
**Harry** It's my cousin, Pam.  
**Sophie** I don't believe you. Is she your girlfriend?  
**Harry** No, she isn't!  
**Sophie** Ahaha, you're blushing! Ok, I put the picture on the desk.... oh, it's late! I go home, see you!

**Section 2 – Keys to exercises**

**1. Multiple choice questions**

- |     |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 C | 2 C | 3 A | 4 C |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|

**2. Short answer questions**

- 1 They smell
- 2 On the floor

- 3 She's Harry's cousin / She's Pam / Pam / Harry's cousin
- 4 It's Pam / Pam
- 5 On the desk
- 6 Because it's late

**3. Multiple matching**

- |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 C | 3 B | 5 G |
| 2 D | 4 A | 6 F |

**Listening 4 • Tips to sleep well**

**Section 1 – Text transcription**

**Geena** Welcome to *Tips for Teens* our radio programme for teenagers. I'm Geena Close and today the theme is sleeping well. Do you want to sleep well? Then listen to Doctor Jonathan Collins' suggestions.  
 Good afternoon, doctor Collins, welcome to our show.  
**Doctor Collins** Thank you Geena.  
**Geena** Let's start with tip number one.  
**Doctor Collins** Ok... Don't go to bed with the TV on, the lights and the noise can disturb your sleep.  
**Geena** Tip number two...  
**Doctor Collins** Don't finish your homework late in the evening because if your brain is too busy it takes longer to get to sleep.  
**Geena** What about mobiles?  
**Doctor Collins** That's tip number three: don't use your mobile phone before going to bed. Turn it off. The light it emanates can expose you to insomnia.  
**Geena** There comes tip number four...  
**Doctor Collins** ... Yes... don't eat chocolate before bedtime. Chocolate contains small amounts of caffeine that can disturb your sleep.  
**Geena** And finally tip number five. You can eat bananas, they contain magnesium that helps calm stress and so can promote good sleep.  
 Thank you Doctor for your useful advice, thank you everybody for listening, next show will...

**Section 2 – Keys to exercises****1. Multiple choice questions**

1 B      2 A      3 D      4 A

**2. Short answer questions**

- 1 It is about sleep / About sleep
- 2 He's a doctor / A doctor
- 3 It disturbs your sleep
- 4 Mobile phones / Mobiles
- 5 Because it contains caffeine / It contains caffeine
- 6 Bananas

**3. Multiple matching**

1 A                  3 F                  5 E  
2 C                  4 D                  6 G

**Listening 5 • What are they like?****Section 1 – Text transcription****Diana**

Hey! I'm Diana, I'm 13 and I live in Edinburgh. I'm an only child. My parents work a lot and so I don't spend much time with them.

What do I look like? I'm tall and I've got long black hair  
What am I like? Well, I'm an outgoing person, I've got lots of friends and we always hang out together. I'm a sporty person, too. I like playing volleyball and tennis.

What am I listening to at the moment? I'm currently listening to Coldplay.

**Robin**

I'm Robin, I'm 14 and I'm from Melbourne, Australia. I live with my dad, my mum, my older sister, Lucy, and my cat, Lilly. She has got a long black fur. What do I look like? I've got wavy hair and brown eyes and I always wear a yellow cap of Australia cricket team

What am I like? I'm really shy, my dad works in the army and I move a lot, a new school almost every year. So I haven't got many friends

What do I like doing? I like playing the guitar or listening to music. Actually, I'm listening to Eminem and obviously I love playing cricket. Can you play it?

**Lauren**

Hi! I'm Lauren, I'm American, I'm from Washington D.C. My mum is married to a new husband and I've got a half sister. Her name's Jessica. We are both really tall.

What am I like? I'm a rebel, I like wearing black clothes and I love boots.

At the moment I'm listening to AC/DC. I like reading too, my favourite author is Stephen King.

**Section 2 – Keys to exercises****1. Multiple choice questions**

1 D      2 A      3 A      4 D

**2. Short answer questions**

- 1 Outgoing and sporty
- 2 Volleyball and tennis
- 3 A yellow cap / A cap
- 4 In the army
- 5 The guitar
- 6 They are tall / They are both tall

**3. Multiple matching**

1 G                  3 F                  5 C  
2 A                  4 B                  6 D

**Listening 6 • Anna's favourite champion****Section 1 – Text transcription**

**Interviewer** Anna, where and when was Gigi Buffon born?

**Anna** Buffon was born in Carrara, Italy on 28 January 1978. Fans call him Gigi but his real name is Gianluigi.

**Interviewer** What role does he play?

**Anna** He plays as a goalkeeper. He was Juventus and Italy's National Football Team goalkeeper for many years. Now he plays for Paris Saint-Germain, in France.

**Interviewer** How many championships has Gigi won?

**Anna** So far he's won nine Italian Championships and one World Championship.

- Interviewer** Has he ever made any films?  
**Anna** No, he has never made a film but he has appeared in a TV series called *First Team: Juventus*. He has also made adverts for television, and has published a book about his life, the title is *Numero 1*.
- Interviewer** Have you ever met him?  
**Anna** Yes, I have. He's really nice. He's 1 metre 91 tall and weighs 94 kilos. And he's good-looking too!
- Interviewer** ...Which is not bad ...  
**Anna** Yes!
- Interviewer** Do you know what are his hobbies?  
**Anna** Unfortunately I don't... but I'll ask him next time I meet him.
- Interviewer** Why do you like him so much?  
**Anna** I like him because he's the greatest goalkeeper in the history of football and also because he's a very good person. In 2012 he joined the "*Respect Diversity*" programme to fight against racism. Buffon is also known for his charity work.
- Interviewer** He's definitely a very nice person. Thank you Anna.

## Section 2 – Keys to exercises

### 1. Multiple choice questions

- 1 B      2 D      3 A      4 B

### 2. Short answer questions

- 1 It's a book / A book
- 2 One / 1
- 3 He's 1 metre 91 / 1 metre 91
- 4 In 2012
- 5 No, she doesn't
- 6 For his charity work

### 3. Multiple matching

- |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 C | 3 I | 5 A |
| 2 H | 4 E | 6 F |

## Listening 7 • Famous people

### Section 1 – Text transcription

#### Sandra

My favourite singer is Justin Bieber. He's a talented singer. He was born on March 1, 1994. I love his songs, my favourite one is "Love yourself". The music is great and the words are awesome! I'm a fan of Michael Jackson too, he was an extraordinary singer and dancer! Sadly he died on June 25, 2009. It's not by chance that he's known as "The King of Pop".

#### Dan

I love football, I always watch the matches on TV and sometimes I go to the stadium with my father. The best football player in the world is Lionel Messi, he's Argentinian and he plays for Barcelona team but my favourite player is Cristiano Ronaldo. Ronaldo is Portuguese, I like him because he's an amazing player.

#### Lisa

One day I want to be a model. I love fashion and everything about it! My favourite model is Kate Moss. She was born on January 16, 1974 and started her career as a model when she was only 14. Now she's 44 but she continues modelling. I met her once, she signed me an autograph! She's stunning!

## Section 2 – Keys to exercises

### 1. Multiple choice questions

- 1 D      2 C      3 A      4 B

### 2. Short answer questions

- 1 Love yourself
- 2 On June 25, 2009 / On 25 June 2009
- 3 A football player / A great football player / The best football player
- 4 He's Portuguese / He's from Portugal / From Portugal
- 5 On January 16, 1974 / On 16 January 1974
- 6 Because she's stunning

### 3. Multiple matching

- |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 E | 3 F | 5 A |
| 2 G | 4 D | 6 C |

## Listening 8 • British food habits

### Section 1 – Text transcription

#### Interviewer

Welcome to the show, Mrs. Williams. Let's talk about some common stereotypes about food habits here in England and let's start from tea drinking habits. Everyone in the world thinks English people have a cup of tea every day at 5 p.m., whatever they're doing they stop and have their cup of tea with scones, a simple kind of cake, served with strawberry jam and cream. But is that true?

#### Mrs. Lauren Williams

Well, actually English people drink tea, often with milk, not only at 5 p.m. but all day long. They usually have between three and seven cups of tea a day; they start at breakfast and stop before going to bed. Anyway, if you go to a tea room in one of the most elegant hotels in London they still serve the traditional afternoon tea with teapot, small sandwiches and scones, obviously at 5 p.m. That's a lovely experience!

#### Interviewer

What about the typical English breakfast? Do British people really have fried eggs, bacon, mushrooms, tomatoes and bread at breakfast every morning, before going to work?

#### Mrs. Lauren Williams

Well, In reality, British people don't have this full fried breakfast every day also because it's not so healthy! They prefer having it on Sundays or on special occasions when they have more time and can enjoy it with their family.

#### Interviewer

And so what do they normally have for breakfast?

#### Mrs. Lauren Williams

Well, they just have some cereals with milk and tea or coffee or toasts with butter and jam. It's definitely healthier!

### Section 2 – Keys to exercises

#### 1. Multiple choice questions

- 1 A      2 B      3 B      4 D

#### 2. Short answer questions

- 1 Strawberry
- 2 Between three and seven
- 3 In hotels in London / In hotels
- 4 The traditional afternoon tea / The afternoon tea
- 5 Because it isn't healthy
- 6 With their family / Their family

#### 3. Multiple matching

- |     |     |     |
|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 G | 3 F | 5 D |
| 2 A | 4 B | 6 C |

## Listening 9 • Weather forecast

### Section 1 – Text transcription

Welcome to the weather forecast. Today the weather is very changeable in the North of England; it's sunny and cool in the morning but wet and colder in the afternoon, so take an umbrella with you.

In the South it is going to be warmer, the temperature is about 20°C. In the South-West warm winds blow in the morning so the temperature is higher, around 24°C. Take a chance to spend some time outdoors if you can; temperature decreases in the evening as a thunderstorm approaches.

In the East and in the middle of the country the weather is dry but cloudy and it is quite cold, the temperature is around 11°C in the morning. Overnight the temperature falls off a bit when showers are expected.

### Section 2 – Keys to exercises

#### 1. Multiple choice questions

- 1 D      2 B      3 A      4 C

#### 2. Short answer questions

- 1 In the afternoon
- 2 In the South West
- 3 In the South West
- 4 In the evening
- 5 Around 11°C / 11°C
- 6 Overnight / During the night / At night

3. Multiple matching

- 1 E                    3 H                    5 B  
2 G                    4 D                    6 C

Listening 10 • Let's go to the cinema

Section 1 – Text transcription

**Robert** Hi, Harry. What are you doing?  
**Harry** Hi, Robert. Well, I'm just reading a book  
**Robert** That sounds interesting  
**Harry** Well it isn't. The book I'm reading is quite boring.  
**Robert** Why don't we go to the cinema then?  
**Harry** Great idea. I never go to the cinema. Let me think.... The last time I went to the cinema was one year ago  
**Robert** ooh! Too much....  
**Harry** So tell me: what's on ?  
**Robert** Well, let me see ....There's an action film on: *The Avengers*, it's in 3D.  
**Harry** Some friends of mine saw it last week and they didn't like it. What else is on?  
**Robert** There's a horror film too.  
**Harry** A horror film?  
**Robert** Yes, it's called *The Bye Bye Man*. They told me it's really scary  
**Harry** Mmm ... I'm not sure about that. Are there any comedy films on?  
**Robert** Yes, there's *Ocean's 8*, they say it's really cool.  
**Harry** My sister has already seen it.  
**Robert** What did she say? Did she like it?  
**Harry** Not so much, she said it's the worst of the series ... What about watching a science fiction film?

**Robert** Well, there's *Black Panther* on. Some friends of mine have seen it and they told me it's exciting to watch and really entertaining because there are a lot of special effects.  
**Harry** It sounds good; what time is it on?  
**Robert** It's on at 4:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.  
**Harry** OK, let's go at 6:00 p.m. How much are the tickets?  
**Robert** Well, the normal price is 10 pounds, but there's a special discount for students. We just pay 6 pounds.  
**Harry** Great! Where shall we meet?  
**Robert** Well ... Why don't you come to my house? My mum can drive us to the cinema.  
**Harry** That would be fantastic. What time shall I come?  
**Robert** Let's meet at 5:30  
**Harry** OK, see you later  
**Robert** Bye.  
**Harry** Bye

Section 2 – Keys to exercises

1. Multiple choice questions

- 1 B                    2 A                    3 C                    4 C

2. Short answer questions

- 1 Never / He never goes  
 2 Last year  
 3 Harry's sister  
 4 4:30 and 6:00 p.m.  
 5 At 5:30  
 6 Robert's mum

3. Multiple matching

- 1 G                    3 A                    5 C  
2 E                    4 F                    6 B

## Simulazione n. 1

### Prova di comprensione della lettura (reading)

#### Task 1 The menu

- 1 The fast food is closed on Sunday. **TRUE**
- 2 A regular Vegetarian Burger is £ 5.00. **FALSE**
- 3 The salad is served without dressing. **FALSE**
- 4 The French fries come with mayonnaise **FALSE**
- 5 There are four different pizzas. **FALSE**
- 6 Pasta and rice are only available for lunch. **TRUE**
- 7 There are 3 ice cream flavours. **TRUE**

#### Task 2 The lost dog

- 1 1 year old / 1 year
- 2 Male
- 3 Piccadilly Circus
- 4 9 June / June 9
- 5 At 10 a.m.
- 6 £ 200

#### Task 3 An invitation to dance

	A	B	C
1) It is an end of school year party.	X		
2) They are invitations to summer parties.	X	X	
3) You can make a reservation.	X	X	
4) This party is in Pasadena.	X		
5) You can get dance lessons for free.	X		
6) Drinks are included.	X	X	X

#### Task 4 The Science Museum

- 1 For special events
- 2 Daily 10:00 – 18:00
- 3 On 24-26 December
- 4 South Kensington
- 5 District, Circle and Piccadilly
- 6 It's in Exhibition Road / Outside the Museum

#### Task 5 Animal farm

- 1 Mr. Jones was exploited by the animals **FALSE**
- 2 Mr. Jones ran away with his family **NOT GIVEN**
- 3 Snowball and Napoleon were two pigs **TRUE**
- 4 Snowball was cruel **FALSE**
- 5 Napoleon had some dogs **TRUE**
- 6 Snowball became the dictator of the farm **FALSE**

#### Task 6 A Lucky Apple – The Story of Steve Jobs

- 1 Paul and Clara Jobs
- 2 In Cupertino
- 3 They founded Apple Computer / Apple Computer / The Apple Computer
- 4 In a garage / In Jobs' parents' garage
- 5 He died in 2011 / In 2011
- 6 He wrote Jobs' biography / Jobs' biography

### Prova di comprensione dell'ascolto (listening)

#### Task 7 School subjects

##### Text transcription

**Rob** My favourite school subject is ICT. I have it on Mondays and Fridays. I don't like chemistry, all those chemical formulas make me mad!

- Jack** I don't like French, I prefer Spanish, I can speak it very well.
- Kate** I have a very nice English teacher, I enjoy English classes!
- Amanda** I hate maths, I find it so difficult! I love art instead, I can draw very well.
- Phil** I like Drama, I want to be famous a actor like Tom Cruise!

**Keys to exercise**

- 1 On Mondays and Fridays
- 2 He doesn't like French / French
- 3 He can speak Spanish / Spanish
- 4 She enjoys English classes / English classes
- 5 She finds maths difficult / Maths
- 6 A famous actor / An actor

**Task 8 Keeping healthy and fit**

**Text transcription**

- Chris** I've got an active lifestyle. I like doing sport, I play tennis on Sunday and Wednesday and exercise at the gym on Tuesday and Friday. I usually walk or cycle to work, I never use buses. I usually eat healthy food but on Sundays I eat chocolate or drink a coke. I sleep 8 hours at night and I never use the computer before going to bed.
- Charlie** I don't like working out, I'm quite lazy but I go to the gym three times a week because I'm a bit fat, actually I'm on a diet at the moment. I walk to school but only when I'm not late. I always go to bed late. I don't sleep that much! I like eating fast food and drinking fizzy drinks. I know that fizzy drinks aren't good. They are full of sugar and bad chemicals!
- Sam** I haven't got much time for exercise because I'm studying very hard. Some days I exercise at home, but that happens very seldom, I don't like training. After a long day of lessons I want to relax so I don't go to the gym but I try to be active helping with the house-

work. I keep a healthy diet, I eat a lot of vegetables. I go to sleep early but I don't sleep much.

**Keys to exercise**

	A	B	C
1) They don't like working out		X	X
2) On the weekends he eats chocolate	X		
3) They don't sleep much		X	X
4) He likes drinking fizzy drinks		X	
5) He's on a diet		X	
6) He sometimes trains at home			X
7) They like eating healthy	X		X

**Task 9 A phone conversation**

**Text transcription**

- Receptionist** Hello, Wheeler Dealer
- Customer** Hi, I need a spare part for my motorbike.
- Receptionist** Yes, Sir. First I need to register some information on the computer to create your account. What's your name, please?
- Customer** Rocco Seemmons
- Receptionist** Rocco, is that R-O-C-O?
- Customer** No, it's R-O-double C-O
- Receptionist** R-O-C-C-O. Ok that's fine, and your surname is Simmons, with a double M?
- Customer** Yes, Madam.
- Receptionist** Ok. (fa lo spelling) S-I-doub...
- Customer** Seemmons is with a double E and a double M.
- Receptionist** Ah, ok, thank you. What's your address, please?
- Customer** It's 15 Jubilee Street, Brighton
- Receptionist** And your postcode is BN1 1GE
- Customer** Yes, that's right.
- Receptionist** Ok, registration's finished. What would you like to order?

**Customer** I need a new clutch pedal for my motorbike

**Receptionist** What's the make of your motorbike?

**Customer** It's a Honda

**Receptionist** And the model?

**Customer** It's a C-B-F 5-0-0

**Receptionist** And the year?

**Customer** It's a 2006 model.

**Receptionist** Ok, so a clutch pedal for a Honda CBF 500, 2006 model.

**Customer** How much is it?

**Receptionist** It's £ 80.00

**Customer** Oh ... it's quite expensive...

**Receptionist** Do you want to buy it?

**Customer** Yes, that's ok

**Receptionist** Can you give me your credit card number?

**Customer** Sure, the number is 4 600 3333 417

**Receptionist** And the expiry date?

**Customer** November 2020.

**Receptionist** And the security code?

**Customer** Ehm...

**Receptionist** The security code is on the back of the card, Sir

**Customer** Ah, yes! it's 229

**Receptionist** Ok, we can send the clutch pedal to you tomorrow. You will get it in one or two days

**Customer** Ok, thank you.

**Receptionist** Good bye Sir.

**Keys to exercise**

1	2	3	4
D	A	B	A

**Task 10 Announcements**

**Text transcription**

- 1) Flight EZY 325 to London Stansted is now boarding at gate 3. Passengers are kindly asked to go to the gate immediately.
- 2) The high speed train to Milano Centrale will be leaving at 13:00 from platform 19. It stops at

Rome, Florence and Bologna.

- 3) The 9:30 coach to Cardiff has been delayed due to heavy snowfall. It's approximately 30 minutes late. The new departure time is 9:55.
- 4) Flight KL 1818 to Amsterdam has been cancelled for an air conditioning system problem. An alternative flight has been scheduled. It will be leaving at 12:47 from gate 67. We apologise for the inconvenience.
- 5) The train to Bristol is leaving from platform 2. The train has 8 coaches. First class is at the rear, standard class is at the middle and front; bicycle spaces are at the very front.
- 6) We are sorry to announce that the ferry to Mull is delayed by approximately ten minutes.

**Keys to exercise**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
D	B	E	A	G	H	C

**Task 11 Posting a present**

**Text transcription**

My grandparents Bea and Rudy live in the USA. I live in England. We keep in touch by email and whatsapp messages. Last Sunday was Grandparents' Day, and I wanted to send them a special present. I made a wooden picture frame, I painted it red and put a photo of me and my family in it. Then I put the present in a box and wrapped it in green paper. I wrote my grandparents' address on the front and my address on the back. Then I went to the post office. The assistant put a special stamp on the parcel, and a sticker with the writing "By airmail". This morning my grandpa emailed me a photo of himself and grandma, they were holding my present and smiling. He wrote they were very happy to receive it.

**Keys to exercise**

1	2	3	4	5
D	A	D	B	C

**Task 12** Plans for a Sunday morning

**Text transcription**

**Laura** Hello Ed, I've got some free time on Sunday morning. I was wondering if we could go to the swimming pool.

**Ed** No, I don't like swimming in winter, let's go ice skating.

**Laura** Good idea, Ed. I love ice skating. There is an ice skating track in the park.

**Laura** Ok, then let's go there.

**Ed** What time shall we meet?

**Laura** Let's meet early in the morning. At midday I've got lunch at the restaurant with my family and I can't be late.

**Ed** Ok, is eleven o'clock ok for you?

**Laura** No, it's too late! Let's meet at nine.  
**Ed** What? It's Sunday, Laura! I want to sleep!

**Laura** Ok, Ed. Is quarter to ten ok?

**Ed** Yes, it's fine. Where are we meeting?

**Laura** Outside the park.

**Ed** Ok. Wear warm clothes, gloves and a cap, it will be freezing on the track.

**Laura** Yes, don't worry.

**Ed** I'll bring some money with me, we'll have a cup of hot tea and a croissant after skating.

**Laura** Ok, See you on Sunday, Ed.

**Keys to exercise**

1	2	3	4	5
D	C	A	B	B

## Simulazione n. 2

### Prova di comprensione della lettura (reading)

#### Task 1 Houses for sale

1	2	3	4
A	B	D	D

#### Task 2 Paul's travel blog

- The parade starts at 9 a.m. **TRUE**
- The parade finishes late in the night. **NOT GIVEN**
- The giant balloons are inspired to historical figures. **FALSE**
- This year there's Anastasia performing live. **TRUE**
- You can't watch the parade on the Internet. **FALSE**
- They inflate the balloons on Thanksgiving's eve. **TRUE**

#### Task 3 Let's meet Alex

- Alex usually gets up at 7.30 a.m. **TRUE**
- Alex prefers having something salty at breakfast **FALSE**
- Alex usually exercises on the court for two hours **TRUE**
- Alex loves eating pineapples **NOT GIVEN**
- When he goes out, he usually has a beef burger **FALSE**

#### Task 4 A scary night

- The coast of Scotland
- On a hill / Near a small park / Near a park
- At 9 p.m.
- A strange noise / A noise
- A white dress / A dress
- Her lover

#### Task 5 Sandwiches

1	2	3	4	5	6
G	D	F	A	B	C

#### Task 6 Summer camp

- The first camp starts on July 13th. **TRUE**
- Participants can't be younger than 20. **TRUE**
- 10 people maximum take part in each camp. **FALSE**
- Hiking is in the weekend. **NOT GIVEN**
- The fee includes a T-shirt. **FALSE**
- You must join FAI at your expense. **TRUE**

### Prova di comprensione dell'ascolto (listening)

#### Task 7 Let's live healthy

##### Text transcription

**Interviewer** Hello and welcome to "Let's live healthy", the programme about a healthy lifestyle. Today our guests are Alice Sanders and Mrs. Sarah Miller, our doctor. So, Alice, how old are you?

**Alice** I'm 40

**Interviewer** Right. What do you do?

**Alice** I'm a police officer

**Interviewer** What do you usually have at breakfast?

**Alice** I usually have fruit and cereal

**Interviewer** How often do you have breakfast?

**Alice** Every morning

**Interviewer** What do you usually have at lunch?

**Alice** Just a sandwich or a salad

**Interviewer** And what about dinner?

**Alice** I usually have fish or pasta.

**Interviewer** Do you ever drink alcohol?

**Alice** No, I never drink alcohol.

**Interviewer** Do you ever go to fast foods?

**Alice** No, never. I sometimes have a pizza.... But just once a month.

**Interviewer** Ok thanks, Alice. So Mrs. Miller, what do you think about her diet?

**Mrs. Miller** Well, it's well balanced. She always has breakfast and never goes to fast foods ... Alice, may I ask you a question?

**Alice** Yes, of course.

**Mrs. Miller** Do you ever do exercise?

**Alice** Yes, I go to the gym three times a week

**Mrs. Miller** Perfect. Everybody should do the same.

**Interviewer** So well done Alice and thanks Mrs. Miller. That's all for now, join us tomorrow

**Keys to exercise**

- 1 She's a police officer
- 2 Every morning
- 3 She never drinks alcohol / No, she doesn't
- 4 A doctor / He's a doctor
- 5 It's well balanced / It's balanced

**Task 8 Let's meet James**

**Text transcription**

**Interviewer** What do you do, James?

**James** I'm a receptionist, I work in a hotel.

**Interviewer** What time do you get up?

**James** I get up at 7 a.m. and have a shower

**Interviewer** What do you have for breakfast?

**James** I usually have a cup of tea and some toasts with my wife and my two children

**Interviewer** What time do you start work?

**James** I always start work at 9.00 a.m. I stop for a break at about one o'clock and have something to eat.

**Interviewer** What do you usually have at lunch?

**James** It depends .... something light ... I usually have a sandwich and some fruit.

**Interviewer** What time do you finish work?

**James** I finish work at 6 p.m.

**Interviewer** And what do you then?

**James** I relax myself. I have dinner with my family and then I usually take my two dogs, Charlie and Lassie, out and have a long walk. I also like relaxing on my sofa and watching films on TV.

**Interviewer** What type of films do you like watching?

**James** I love horror films.

**Interviewer** What time do you usually go to bed?

**James** At about 11 p.m.

**Interviewer** What do you do at weekends?

**James** Well ... I work all week, so on Sundays, I like getting up late and having a full breakfast with my family. At dinner, when it's sunny, we usually have a barbecue with our friends in the garden.

**Interviewer** Do you like your job, James?

**James** Yes, I love it. I can meet a lot of people.

**Interviewer** Thanks for your time, James.

**James** You're welcome.

**Keys to exercise**

1	2	3	4
A	C	A	D

**Task 9 People describing themselves**

**Text transcription**

0. I'm short and slim. I've got short curly hair. I'm wearing a T-shirt, a jeans and a pair of trainers.
1. I'm medium height. I've got a ponytail. I play tennis. I'm wearing sunglasses, a miniskirt, a cap and a t shirt.
2. I'm quite tall, I've got short hair and a beard and I wear glasses. I'm wearing a suit and a tie and I've got a bag in my left hand.
3. I'm a swimming champion. I'm tall. I've got dark skin and a moustache. I'm wearing a swimsuit.
4. I've got medium length hair. I'm a student. I'm wearing a school uniform and a pair of boots.

**Keys to exercise**

1	2	3	4
B	D	E	C

**Task 10** An English girl in New York

**Text transcription**

**Interviewer** Hello Ruth. You are from England, aren't you?

**Ruth** Yes, I am. But now I live and study here in New York.

**Interviewer** What do you think about New York?

**Ruth** Well I think people here are really friendly. New York is an international city where you can meet people from all over the world.

**Interviewer** What about the weather?

**Ruth** Winter is my favourite season. Last Christmas it was really cold and it snowed a lot, there was a fantastic atmosphere here, in New York city, it was really great going to Rockefeller centre and ice skating by the huge Christmas tree.

**Interviewer** What do you think about food? Do you like it?

**Ruth** In New York City you can try food from every country: Indian, Chinese, Thai, Korean, Mexican and Italian. I like eating food from different parts of the world, I love Chinese food and obviously the best place where you can have something to eat is Chinatown. Anyway, eating out isn't so expensive as it is in the UK and the portions are really big!

**Interviewer** What do you like doing here in the big apple?

**Ruth** On Sundays I usually go to Central Park. It's really big, I love walking. I also like visiting museums at weekends. There are a fabulous exhibitions all around the city. I like spending all day long there.

**Keys to exercise**

- 1 Winter
- 2 It snowed / It snowed a lot / it was really cold / It was cold
- 3 Ice skating / She went ice skating

4 Chinese food / Chinese

5 She likes visiting museums / Visiting museums

**Task 11** Last weekend

**Text transcription**

**George** Hi, Sheila. How are you?

**Sheila** Hi, George. I'm a little bit tired.

**George** Tired? Why? What did you do last weekend?

**Sheila** Oh well .... Yesterday evening I went to a party.

**George** Oh, really? What time did you go back home?

**Sheila** At 1 a.m.

**George** And what was the party like? Did you have fun?

**Sheila** Oh, yes, we did. We organised a surprise party for a friend of mine, Sally. I planned everything: I called all our friends, bought some food and a big cake and then we had a fantastic party in the back garden. Sally was really happy.

**George** I've never organised a surprise party. That sounds great.

**Sheila** And what about you? What did you do last weekend?

**George** Last Saturday I went to a basketball match with my friends and after they came to my house and we watched a film.

**Sheila** And what did you do on Sunday?

**George** I went to my grandparents' home and I did homework too.

**Sheila** That sounds boring. What are you going to do next weekend?

**George** I don't know. I haven't got any plans.

**Sheila** If it's sunny I'll go to the beach with some friends of mine. Why don't you come with us?

**George** That would be great.

**Sheila** Listen, the bell is ringing. We must go.

**Keys to exercise**

1	2	3	4	5	6
G	A	F	B	E	D

**Task 12** Last holiday

**Text transcription**

**Ted** Hey, Robert. Where did you go on holiday?

**Robert** I went to Rome

**Ted** Wow ... How did you go there?

**Robert** Oh well ... I went by plane. It took two hours and forty-five minutes. Not a very long journey, I had my laptop with me and I watched my favourite TV series.

**Ted** Who did you go with?

**Robert** I went there with my parents.

**Ted** Did Lucy come with you?

**Robert** No, she didn't. My sister went to France with some friends of hers.

**Ted** And where did you stay in Rome?

**Robert** We stayed in a hotel near the Colosseum. I could see it from the balcony of my room.

**Ted** How long did you stay there?

**Robert** 5 days

**Ted** What was the attraction you liked the most?

**Robert** The Colosseum and The Sistine Chapel.

**Ted** And what about the food? Everybody says the Italian food is the best. Did you like it?

**Robert** Oh, yes, I did. I ate pizza every day. In Rome you can eat one of the best pizzas. I also loved the ice creams. And what about you? What did you do on holiday?

**Ted** Oh, well, I went to Spain, to Barcelona with my family

**Robert** Really? Did you like it?

**Ted** Barcelona is wonderful, la Sagrada Familia, les ramblas, they were amazing

**Robert** Did you go to the seaside too?

**Ted** Yes, of course. We went to Lloret de mar, the sea was fabulous and there were a lot of tourists. I made new friends, I met some German and French boys. We had a lot of fun together.

**Robert** I'd like to go to Spain too. Maybe next year I'll go there

**Ted** Really?

**Robert** We could go together

**Ted** Why not? That would be great

**Keys to exercise**

1	2	3	4	5	6
C	D	G	B	A	F

## Simulazione n. 3

### Prova di comprensione della lettura (reading)

#### Task 1 A birthday invitation

- 1 The party is on Sunday. **FALSE**
- 2 The party is at Kylie's house. **NOT GIVEN**
- 3 The party is in the morning. **FALSE**
- 4 You will eat pizza and cakes. **TRUE**
- 5 You can call Mary for information. **TRUE**

#### Task 2 Things to do around London in winter or in rainy days

- 1 The ice rink opens in November. **FALSE**
- 2 You can have hot chocolate in the café bar. **NOT GIVEN**
- 3 From the café there's a wonderful view of the rink. **TRUE**
- 4 The carousel costs £2. **NOT GIVEN**
- 5 In London, rainy days are rare. **FALSE**
- 6 At the Planetarium you can see the birth of a star. **TRUE**

#### Task 3 My life in Dublin

- 1 Camille can speak four languages **FALSE**
- 2 Camille likes working as a tourist guide **TRUE**
- 3 Camille is looking for a bigger house with four bedrooms **FALSE**
- 4 Camille doesn't like cooking **FALSE**
- 5 Camille likes the National Botanic Gardens **NOT GIVEN**

#### Task 4 London Eye: London n. 1 attraction

1	2	3	4	5	6
C	D	A	E	B	D

#### Task 5 Martin Luther King

1	2	3	4	5	6
C	B	F	A	D	E

#### Task 6 Rachel's diary

1	2	3	4
B	D	D	C

### Prova di comprensione dell'ascolto (listening)

#### Task 7 Breakfast

##### Text transcription

##### Lorna, Scotland

In Scotland many people eat porridge for breakfast. They also put sugar or honey and some fruit in it. I like porridge but for breakfast I prefer tea and biscuits.

##### Callum, England

The English full breakfast consists of fried eggs, sausages, bacon, tomatoes, and mushrooms; it is accompanied by tea or coffee and toast with butter. I have the full breakfast on the weekend but during the week I eat a toast with marmalade and butter and drink a fruit juice.

##### Steve, USA

In America breakfast is very important. On school-days I usually have breakfast at home. I eat just cereal with milk. On Sundays I go to the fast food and have a sandwich with egg, ham and cheese on it.

##### Keys to exercise

1	2	3	4
C	B	A	D

**Task 8** What do teenagers do and like?

**Text transcription**

**Interviewer** Today, we are at St. Andrews College and here with us there are two young pupils: David and Daniel. Hello, guys. Let's discover what you, young guys, usually do and like. Let's start from you, David.

What is your favourite school subject?

**David** My favourite school subject is history, I love reading about ancient Romans and Greeks

**Interviewer** What do you usually do in your spare time?

**David** I play in an important local football team, I usually train two hours a day

**Interviewer** Do you ever go to the cinema? If yes, how often do you go to the cinema?

**David** Just once a month

**Interviewer** Do you like listening to music?

**David** Yes, I do

**Interviewer** What type of music do you prefer listening to, pop or rock?

**David** Well I prefer pop music to rock music, I love Justin Bieber.

**Interviewer** Do you ever go out with your friends?

**David** Yes, I do. We usually go out on Saturdays, we have a hamburger or a pizza together.

**Interviewer** Thanks, David. What about you, Daniel? What's your favourite school subject?

**Daniel** I don't like school very much. I like PE, I'm in the school basketball team, I'm the playmaker

**Interviewer** What do you like doing in your free time?

**Daniel** I like playing computer games, I prefer FIFA18 to any other computer games

**Interviewer** Do you ever listen to music?

**Daniel** Yes, I do. I also play in a band. I play the drums and I'm quite good.

**Interviewer** Wow, What type of music do you like playing?

**Daniel** Rock music. Iron Maiden is my favourite rock group

**Interviewer** OK, thanks guys. What about you, young guys at home? What do you usually do and what do you like? Send us emails or write a comment on our Facebook page.

**Keys to exercise**

- 1 Ancient Romans and Greeks / Romans and Greeks
- 2 Two hours / Two / 2 hours / 2
- 3 Pop music / Pop
- 4 Playing computer games
- 5 The drums

**Task 9** What's your favourite season?

**Text transcription**

**Marco/Italy**

My favourite season of the year is summer because there is no school and it's warm. The sun sets late, you can play outside with your friends or go to the beach. I just think it's fabulous. My least favourite season is winter, because the sun goes down early ...

**Kat/Denmark**

My favourite season is winter. I like cold weather and I love snow. It's so beautiful when the countryside is covered with snow and it's perfectly white. I love building snowmen and having snowball fights with my friends.

**Michelle/Canada**

My favourite season is summer. Normally it's really cold here in Canada so it's nice when it's summer time. In summer you can do a lot of outdoor activities: running, playing tennis and swimming ... My least favourite is definitely winter, because it's cold and you can't get outside. That is really depressing.

**Pat/United States**

My favourite season is autumn. I love how leaves change color, they all turn yellow and orange. I also like the crisp autumn wind. In autumn, I usually walk around and have cups of hot chocolate.

**Ana/Brazil**

Well. I prefer summer because I love the sun and the warm weather; in summer, you can go to the beach with your friends and do pretty much anything you want to do.

**Frank/USA**

I love spring because the baseball season starts. It's time to take your caps and play baseball with your friends.

**Keys to exercise**

- 1 His friends
- 2 Snowball fights
- 3 Running, (playing) tennis, swimming
- 4 Cups of hot chocolate / Hot chocolate
- 5 To the beach
- 6 Baseball

**Task 10 A Black Friday**

**Text transcription**

**Andy** John, why didn't you come to school on Friday?

**John** Ehrr ... It was a very bad day! First of all I didn't hear the alarm clock so I woke up late.

**Andy** What time?

**John** At 7 o'clock, so I had breakfast and got dressed in thirty minutes. At 7:30 I was already at the bus stop.

**Andy** Did you miss the bus?

**John** No, I didn't but ... It stopped halfway because it had a flat tyre!

**Andy** Oh, really?

**John** Yes! And it was raining, too!

**Andy** I can't believe that!

**John** The driver asked the passengers to get off. Then he asked me to help him change the tyre.

**Andy** Unbelievable!

**John** Yes! When we finished my clothes were dirty and I was completely wet so I went back home.

**Andy** What did your mother say?

**John** She was mad at me, she didn't believe my story and punished me. I couldn't go out with my friends on the weekend. I spent it in my bedroom, thinking how stupid I was!

**Keys to exercise**

- 1 At the bus stop
- 2 For a flat tyre
- 3 It was raining / Rainy
- 4 His clothes were dirty / He was completely wet / He was wet / He was dirty
- 5 She punished him / Punished him

**Task 11 Do you like reading?**

**Text transcription**

**Alexandra**

The first book I had was a collection of all Grimm's fairy tales. My favourite one was *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*. I read it with my mum every night before sleeping. I still love reading. I've just finished the first book of the trilogy *Hunger games*. I'm going to read the second one *Catching fire*. I saw the films too. But I prefer the books. Reading is definitely better.

**Tom**

I love reading. It relaxes me, I usually sit in a quiet place and forget about the world around me for a while. Personally, I can't think of anything better. I still remember when my mother gave me my first book; it was *The Hobbit*. I have never stopped since then.

**Laura**

Now, I'm reading *The diary of a young girl*, it's about the story of Anne Frank, it's really moving. The first book I read was *Pippi Longstocking*. I really loved this red-haired girl with superhuman powers and a great love for animals.

**Kevin**

I'm a book lover. My favourite book is *The Chronicles of Narnia*, I like this magical land and its fantastic creatures and exciting battles. The book I'm reading now is *Percy Jackson & the Olympians*, it's about the adventures of a young demigod.

**Keys to exercise**

1	2	3	4
D	A	A	C

**Task 12 Festivals around the world**

**Text transcription**

**Meg/United Kingdom**

My favourite festival is Christmas. Last Christmas we put up the Christmas tree as usual and decorated it with baubles and lights. We had a big dinner, my mum cooked roasted turkey and prepared a Christmas pudding. The best present I had was a new mobile phone. At midnight we went to the mass.

**Farid/India**

Diwali is the most important holiday of the year for Indian people, it is as popular as Christmas in the UK. We usually light small oil lamps called diyas and place them in rows on window sills

and outside buildings as decorations. There are also huge fireworks. We usually eat typical Indian sandwiches.

**Fabricio/Brazil**

Carnival takes place in February or March and lasts one week. There are colourful parades. The biggest one takes place in Rio on the day before Ash Wednesday. Everybody wears costumes and dances samba. At Carnival the most important samba schools compete in Sambodrom; they are judged on their floats, costumes and dance. You can't miss it!

**Robert/USA**

I love Halloween, it is 31st October. I usually go to a costume party. Last year I went to a Dracula-themed party; bobbing for apples is my favourite game. We usually put some apples in a bucket of water and you must try to lift them out with your mouth. Anyway, this year I'm not going to a party, I'm going to stay at home with my friends and we're going to watch scary films, I'm going to see *The Exorcist* and *The Fifth Sense*.

**Keys to exercise**

1	2	3	4
D	D	A	C

## Simulazione n. 4

### Prova di comprensione della lettura (reading)

#### Task 1 A new sports centre

- 1 The main swimming pool is 25 metres long. **TRUE**
- 2 There are other 3 swimming pools. **FALSE**
- 3 There isn't a swimming pool for children. **FALSE**
- 4 Pauline and Mark are friends. **TRUE**
- 5 The sports centre has two tennis courts. **TRUE**
- 6 The minimum age to attend the sports centre is 12 years. **NOT GIVEN**
- 7 The café sells delicious ice-creams. **NOT GIVEN**

#### Task 2 Learning English

1	2	3	4	5
A	C	B	A	D

#### Task 3 Heathrow Airport

- 1 It's 54 minutes / 54 minutes
- 2 It costs £ 5.10 / £ 5.10
- 3 It costs £ 3.10 / £ 3.10
- 4 It leaves at 05:02 / At 05:02
- 5 It leaves at 23:55 / At 23:55
- 6 It's 46 minutes / 46 minutes

#### Task 4 Playing Snakes and Ladders

- 1 The player who reaches the final square wins **TRUE**
- 2 The player with the lowest number takes the first turn **FALSE**
- 3 There are a maximum of six players **NOT GIVEN**

- 4 The ladders allow you to move downwards **FALSE**
- 5 If you throw a six on the dice you can take an extra turn **TRUE**
- 6 If you throw a five on the dice you stop for one turn **NOT GIVEN**

#### Task 5 Numbers

1	2	3	4	5	6
A	F	D	B	H	I

#### Task 6 The Underground

1	a) New York 1.75 billion b) London 1.37 billion
2	a) New York 11 lines b) London 25 lines
3	a) New York 472 stations b) London 270 stations
4	a) New York \$ 2.75 b) London £ 2.40
5	a) New York 1904 b) London 1863

### Prova di comprensione dell'ascolto (listening)

#### Task 7 John helps a tourist

##### Text transcription

- Tourist** Good morning young man. What's your name?
- John** My name's John
- Tourist** Excuse me John, but I think I am lost. I'm an American tourist and I can't find the way back to my hotel. Can you help me?

**John** Certainly. What's the name of your hotel or the name of the street?

**Tourist** The name of the hotel is The Riverside and it is in Shepard Street. I think it's at number 95

**John** Yes, I know it. It's a very famous hotel. But it's very far from here. Do you prefer to walk or you want to take a bus?

**Tourist** I prefer to walk. I have a lot of time and I like to visit London.

**John** Ok. It's about a 20 minute walk.

**Tourist** That's excellent. I need to walk a little bit after lunch.

**John** Well then. Let me give you the directions. Now go along this street until you get to the supermarket. Can you see it at the end of the street, next to the tall building?

**Tourist** Yes, perfectly.

**John** After the supermarket there are some traffic lights. You have to take the road on your left, which is called Sheffield Road.

**Tourist** Left on to Sheffield Road. It's clear.

**John** Sheffield Road is very long. Start walking and then take the third street on your right. It's called Crown Avenue.

**Tourist** Third on the right. Crown Avenue. It's clear.

**John** Crown Avenue finishes in Shepard Street. Your hotel is exactly there.

**Tourist** Let me just sum it up. At the traffic lights, after the supermarket, take the road on the left, Sheffield Road. Then take the third on the right, Crown Avenue. At the end of Crown Avenue I will reach Shepard Street. The hotel is there.

**John** Correct. If you have doubts you can always ask someone else on your way.

**Tourist** Thank you very much for your help.

**John** Have a nice stay in London.

**Keys to exercise**

- 1 The Riverside / The Riverside Hotel / Riverside / Riverside Hotel
- 2 Shepard Street
- 3 He prefers to walk / To walk
- 4 20 minutes / 20 / Twenty
- 5 It's called Crown Avenue / Crown Avenue
- 6 After the supermarket

**Task 8 Pocket money**

**Text transcription**

**William** Dad can I have my weekly pocket money?

**Father** But William, it's not Sunday today. You usually have your pocket money on Sundays. And today is only Friday.

**William** Yes, I know. But I want to go out with my friends and I haven't got any money. Can you pay me in advance this week?

**Father** Where are you going?

**William** We are going to the new pizzeria which opened last week. The one next to the train station. Everyone says they make a very good pizza. We want to try it!

**Father** That sounds interesting. I must visit this place.

**William** Can I have my money now?

**Father** Here's your 20 pounds. But remember, this is in advance for Sunday!

**William** Yes dad, I remember. Thank you.

**Father** Is the pizzeria expensive?

**William** No, it's not very expensive but I want to buy an extra large pizza full of things on top. And after I want a delicious chocolate ice-cream.

**Father** Ok then. Just for this week I'm giving you an extra 10 pounds. It's a special occasion.

**William** Oh dad, that's great. Can we increase the amount of my pocket money to 30 pounds every week?

**Father** I have to talk to your mother about that.

**William** But everything is getting more expensive! And it's two years you're giving me the same amount.

**Father** I have to talk to your mother first

**William** Ok, let me know. Bye

**Keys to exercise**

1	2	3	4	5	6
B	C	A	D	A	C

**Task 9** *Visiting the Tower of London*

**Text transcription**

**Father** Louise, we want to go to the Tower of London tomorrow. Can you call the helpline and ask them the opening times and the price of the tickets.

**Louise** That's great. Just let me find the number.

**Helpline operator** Good morning, this is the information desk of The Tower of London

**Louise** Good morning. We want to visit the Tower tomorrow. Can I ask for some information?

**Helpline operator** Certainly. What do you want to know?

**Louise** When does the Tower open to visitors and when does it close?

**Helpline operator** The Tower is open every day except between 24-26 December and on 1 January. In Summer from Tuesday to Saturday visit start at 9 o'clock and finish at half past five; on Sundays and Mondays they start at 10 o'clock and always finish at half past five. Last admission is at four o'clock.

**Louise** Great. And how much do the tickets cost?

**Helpline operator** For an adult the ticket costs £22.70. For a child it costs

£10.75. To be considered a child you must be 5 to 15 years old. If you are 16 or over you are considered an adult.

**Louise** Do you have special tickets for families?

**Helpline operator** Yes, we have special tickets for families with one or two adults and up to three children.

**Louise** Interesting. Where can we buy the tickets?

**Helpline operator** Well, you can buy them here at the ticket office or you can buy them online over the Internet. It's faster and sometimes cheaper because there are special offers.

**Louise** Do I have to print the tickets I buy online?

**Helpline operator** Yes, you have to print and show them at the entrance.

**Louise** You gave me a lot of useful information.

**Helpline operator** Just one last tip. Don't drive to the Tower. It is not easy to find a parking space. The best thing is to take the underground, the overground, the bus or even the river-boat.

**Louise** Thank you very much.

**Helpline operator** You're welcome. Hope to see you soon!

**Keys to exercise**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
G	D	C	B	A	H	E

**Task 10** *A busy weekend*

**Text transcription**

**Kevin** That's it Kayla. We are free. School holidays have started and now we have to plan what to do now. Do you want to meet up this weekend?

**Kayla** Sure Kevin. But first of all I need some rest. Tomorrow morning I want to sleep very late. I don't want to wake up at 6:30 as usual. I must sleep at least until 10 o'clock.

**Kevin** That sounds like a good resolution for a start. But what can we do once we are awake?

**Kayla** I was thinking of going to the swimming pool tomorrow morning. They say it will be a sunny day. But I'm free in the evening. What can we do?

**Kevin** We can play some computer games or watch some episodes of that wonderful TV series, *Pretty Little Liars*.

**Kayla** I don't want to watch a DVD, but we can play some computer games. That sounds great. When can we meet?

**Kevin** Do you want to come to my place? Is it ok for you to meet at four o'clock? My parents won't be home. They're going to a concert. And my sister goes to the sports centre.

**Kayla** She's always at the sport centre! I see her every day rushing out with her gym bag and coming back very late.

**Kevin** Yes, she's obsessed with fitness. She does aerobics on Mondays, yoga on Wednesday ... and karate on Fridays. On Tuesday and Thursday it's just normal gym training. Saturday she does swimming and on Sundays she goes running. I think she's crazy!

**Kayla** You are completely different.

**Kevin** You're right. My favourite "sport" is to sit on the sofa, watch TV series and have some biscuits or cakes. By the way, mum is going to do some baking tomorrow, so there'll be cakes in the house in the evening.

**Kayla** I love your mum's cakes! They're delicious.

**Kevin** What about Sunday? Do you have any plans for the day?

**Kayla** I promised to help my dad with the gardening in the morning. But I'm free in the afternoon. Do you have any ideas?

**Kevin** Well, I'm playing football at five but we can go to the cinema afterwards. You can come to watch the match first. I'm a really good player and my team is very strong. We have won the school championship last year.

**Kayla** That sounds very interesting. See you tomorrow then.

**Keys to exercise**

1	2	3	4	5
A	C	A	B	C

**Task 11 Visiting cities**

**Text transcription**

**Sean** Hi Rachel. Why are you buying that French dictionary?

**Rachel** Next week I'm going to Paris with my parents and my brother. They are taking us to Disneyland for a short break.

**Sean** Great. How long are you staying there?

**Rachel** Only a weekend. We are leaving on Friday evening and coming back on Monday morning. On Saturday and Sunday we will run up and down the park. I want to visit all the attractions, follow the parades and watch all the shows.

**Sean** Are you sure two days are enough? I visited the park last year. There are a lot of things to do and the park is very crowded on weekends. You will find long queues.

**Rachel** I have already planned everything with my brother.

**Sean** Are you visiting the city of Paris too?

**Rachel** I would like to, but I don't think we have enough time. I think we have to

go back just to visit the city. The Eiffel Tower, the church of Notre Dame, the artists quarter of Montmartre ... So many interesting places to see!!! What about you Sean? Where are going this year?

**Sean** My parents love to visit European cities. Last year we went to Amsterdam and two years ago to Vienna and Prague. This year I think it's the turn of Spain and Portugal.

**Rachel** Which cities are you visiting?

**Sean** They have not decided yet but I think our first stop is Spain and the first city is Madrid.

**Rachel** That's a great start.

**Sean** Yes. And afterwards we will go to Barcelona and maybe Seville. Then off to Portugal.

**Rachel** Well. I guess you are visiting the cities of Lisbon and Porto.

**Sean** That's right.

**Rachel** It's wonderful to see other places and hear people speaking different languages

**Sean** Yeah. But almost everyone speaks some English. That is how we understand each other

**Rachel** Good luck then. And enjoy your holiday.

**Sean** You too. See you in September

**Keys to exercise**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
E	G	D	A	C	B	I	F

**Task 12 Olympic Games**

**Text transcription**

The first Olympic Games took place in 776 BC in Greece. They were hosted in Olympia, a city with a famous sanctuary dedicated to Zeus, the most important god of the Greeks. At the beginning they only lasted one day and consisted of running events. In the following years the games lasted for 5 days and other events were added.

Modern Olympic Games started in 1896 and took place in the city of Athens, with 241 athletes from 14 nations. They competed in 43 events. Because it was impossible to hold some Winter competitions during the Summer Olympics, in 1924 the Winter Olympics were introduced. In 1960 the Summer Paralympic Games were introduced.

Today the Olympic Games take place every four years, in a different country. Usually after a European country the following Olympics are hosted by a non-European country. The next Olympic Games, for example, will take place in Tokyo in 2020, in Paris in 2024 and in Los Angeles in 2028. All these cities have already hosted the Games before: Tokyo in 1964, Paris in 1900 and 1924, Los Angeles in 1932 and 1984.

Italy has hosted the Olympic Games only once, in 1960 in the city of Rome.

**Keys to exercise**

- 1 Greece
- 2 1896
- 3 Athens
- 4 Winter Olympic Games
- 5 Summer Paralympic Games
- 6 Tokyo
- 7 Paris
- 8 Los Angeles
- 9 Rome

## GLOSSARY

**Activist:** attivista

**Actually:** in effetti

**Akita Inu:** razza canina giapponese

**Apron:** grembiule

**Argue (to):** discutere, litigare

**As usual:** come al solito

**Attend (to):** frequentare

**Available:** disponibile

**Ban (to):** bandire, cacciare

**Barking:** abbaiare

**Bauble:** pallina di Natale

**Bell:** campanella

**Bell ringer:** campanaro

**Belly:** pancia, pancione

**Biography:** biografia

**Bob (to):** cercare di procurarsi

**Boiled eggs:** uova sode

**Bucket:** secchio

**Bunting:** bandierina

**Carousel:** giostra a cavalli

**Character:** personaggio

**Chin:** mento

**Clams:** vongole

**Content:** contenuto

**Cottage:** casetta villetta

**Covered:** coperto

**Crisp:** freddo, frizzante

**Cute:** carino

**Defy (to):** sfidare

**Demigod:** semidio

**Depressing:** deprimente

**Devices:** apparecchi

**Dice:** dado

**Digit:** cifra

**Dimple:** fossetta

**Dirty:** sporco

**Discrimination:** discriminazione

**Downstairs:** piano inferiore

**Drop (to):** diminuiscono

**Drop off point:** punto di discesa

**Earl:** conte

**Early bird:** mattiniero

**Exhausted:** esausto, sfinito

**Exhibition:** mostra

**Exploit (to):** sfruttare

**Fairy light:** luce fatata

**Fairy tale:** favola

**Fall asleep (to):** addormentarsi

**Fan:** ventaglio

**Fan:** appassionato, sostenitore

**Fireworks:** fuochi d'artificio

**Flavours:** sapori

**Float:** carro allegorico

**Footsteps:** rumore di passi

**Forget (to):** dimenticare

**Freckles:** lentiggini

**Free:** gratuito

**Frying pan:** padella

**Full city block:** intero quartiere

**Furniture:** mobile

**Gather (to):** raccogliere

**Gave a speech:** fece un discorso

**Get off (to):** scendere

**Give up (to):** rinunciare

**Go down (to):** calare

**Golden:** dorato

**Grew up (grow up):** crescere

**Gunman:** cecchino, sicario

- Hang/hung/hung up:** appendere
- Harbour:** porto
- Headmaster:** dirigente scolastico, preside
- Headscarf:** fazzoletto
- Healthy:** salutare (che fa bene alla salute)
- Heavy:** pesante
- Hiking:** escursionismo
- Hold (to):** stringere, mantenere
- House (to):** ospitare
- Hug (to):** abbracciare
- Huge:** immenso
- Ice Rink:** pista di ghiaccio
- Included:** comprese
- Including:** compresa
- Inflate:** gonfiare
- Ingenious:** geniale
- Instead:** invece
- It is shaped like the sails of a boat:** ha la forma delle vele di un'imbarcazione
- Jelly:** marmellata/gelatina
- Join (to):** unire
- Join us:** unisciti/unitevi a noi
- Laptop computer:** computer portatile
- Lead (to):** condurre
- Lend (to):** prestare
- Lent:** quaresima
- Lifestyle:** stile di vita
- Lift (to):** sollevare
- Light:** leggero
- Liveable:** vivibile
- Looked:** sembrava
- Loyalty:** devozione
- Ma Pa Tofu:** tipico piatto cinese
- Made:** rese
- Main:** principale
- Marching bands:** banda
- Missing:** scomparso
- Moving:** commovente
- Must:** dovere
- Oak:** quercia
- Off peak (time):** orario non di punta
- Oil lamp:** lampada ad olio
- On window sill:** davanzale della finestra
- Outdoor:** aria aperta
- Owner:** proprietario
- Pageant:** sfilata
- Parade:** parata
- Pastor:** pastore
- Pay as you go:** pagare a consumo
- Peak (time):** orario di punta
- Peanut:** nocciolina
- Pedestrian subway:** sottopassaggio pedonale
- Pitch:** campo da gioco
- Pity:** piet 
- Plan (to):** programmare
- Plot:** trama
- Preacher:** predicatore
- Pregnant:** incinta
- Prize:** premio
- Provide (to):** fornire
- Public holiday:** giorno festivo
- Quick:** breve
- Quote:** citazione
- Race:** gara
- Racial equality:** uguaglianza razziale
- Receptionist:** addetto al ricevimento
- Recipe:** ricetta
- Remarkable:** straordinaria:
- Reservations:** prenotazioni

- Ride (to):** salire
- Ring (to):** suonare
- Rise up (to):** aumentare
- Roasted turkey:** tacchino arrosto
- Roller coaster:** montagne russe
- Route:** itinerario
- Row:** fila
- Scarf:** sciarpa
- Scary:** pauroso
- School marks:** voto scolastico
- Seafood:** pesce
- Set (to):** tramontare
- Several:** numerosi
- She was shot in her head:** le sparò in testa
- She's really into skating:** è davvero appassionata di pattinaggio
- Shouted:** urlai
- Show up (to):** arrivare
- Shrimps:** gamberetto
- Shriving:** confessione (arcaico)
- Shrove Tuesday:** martedì grasso
- Slide:** scivolo
- Snowball fights:** battaglia a palle di neve
- Snowman:** uomo di neve
- Sofa bed:** divano letto
- Soft-boiled eggs:** uova alla coque
- Spare time:** tempo libero
- Spend (to):** trascorrere
- Spicy:** piccante
- Spring Rolls:** involtini primavera
- Stall:** bancarella
- Stare up at (to):** fissare
- Stood for:** difese
- Suburb:** quartiere
- Suddenly:** improvvisamente
- Sunbathing:** prendere il sole
- Tablecloth:** tovaglia
- Take (to):** prendere
- Take care (to):** prendersi cura
- Take over (to):** subentrare
- Take part in (to):** partecipare
- Take place (to):** hanno luogo
- Taliban:** talebano
- Teach (to):** insegnare
- Theme park:** parco a tema
- Thrilling:** eccitante
- Tiny:** piccolissimo
- Toss (to):** rigirare, lanciare
- Tube station:** stazione della metropolitana
- Turkey:** tacchino
- Turn on (to):** accendere
- Veggie:** vegetariano
- View:** vista
- Wander (to):** vagare
- Was awarded:** le fu assegnato
- Was missing:** era scomparso
- Waste:** perdere
- Well balanced:** bilanciato
- Well-equipped:** ben attrezzato
- White-water rafting:** rafting sulle rapide
- Windowsill:** davanzale della finestra
- Workout:** allenamento



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