

**PRELIMINARY ENGLISH TEST
for Schools**

Writing

Sample Test 1

Time 45 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open this question paper until you are told to do so.

Write your name, centre number and candidate number on your answer sheet if they are not already there.

Read the instructions for each part of the paper carefully.

Answer the Part 1 question and one question from Part 2.

Write your answers on the answer sheet.

Write clearly in **pen**, not pencil. You may make alterations, but make sure your work is easy to read.

You **must** complete the answer sheet within the time limit.

At the end of the test, hand in both this question paper and your answer sheet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

Each question in this paper carries equal marks.

Part 1

You **must** answer this question.

Write your answer in about **100 words** on the answer sheet.

Question 1

Read this email from your English-speaking friend Jessie and the notes you have made.

EMAIL

From: Jessie

Subject: School Art Competition

Hi,

I really need your help! I can't decide if I should paint or draw a picture for the art competition. Which do you think would look better?

I'd like my picture to be of an animal. Which animal do you think I should choose?

I'd love to win first prize for the art competition, but I think some students are better artists than me. Do you think it matters if I win?

Please reply soon,

Jessie

No problem (points to 'I really need your help!')

Tell Jessie (points to 'Which do you think would look better?')

Suggest ... (points to 'Which animal do you think I should choose?')

No, because ... (points to 'Do you think it matters if I win?')

Write your **email** to Jessie using **all the notes**.

Part 2

Choose **one** of these questions.

Write your answer in about **100 words** on the answer sheet.

Question 2

You see this notice on your school magazine website.



Articles wanted!

Hobbies

Write an article telling us whether it's important to have a hobby or not.

Is it better to have one hobby or to do lots of different hobbies?

Which hobby do you most enjoy doing? Why?

We'll publish the most interesting articles in our magazine.

The illustration shows a stylized black figure holding a spatula, a tennis racket, a briefcase, and a guitar, symbolizing multiple hobbies.

Write your **article**.

Question 3

Your English teacher has asked you to write a story.

Your story must begin with this sentence.

As Victoria entered the room, she couldn't believe her eyes!

Write your **story**.