

GOZO GOLLEGE - PRIMARY SCHOOL HALF YEARLY EXAMINATIONS 2011

YEAR 6

ENGLISH (Listening Comprehension)
Teacher's Copy

TIME: 20min

Guidelines for the conduct of the Listening Comprehension Examination

ALL INSTRUCTIONS ARE TO BE GIVEN IN ENGLISH

- a) 3 minutes – First reading aloud of passage by teacher
- b) 3 minutes – Teacher reads out the questions
- c) 3 minutes – Second reading aloud of passage by teacher
- d) 5 minutes – Pupils answer questions
- e) 3 minutes – Third reading aloud of passage by teacher
- f) 3 minutes – Final revision of answers by pupils

Resources

Teacher: Reading Text and Questions
Each pupil: Pen and Examination Paper

Introduction

The teacher in charge distributes the examination papers to the pupils and asks them to write their name, surname and class on the front cover.

THE TEACHER TELLS THE PUPILS TO FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE EXAMINATION PAPER (PUPIL'S COPY) AS S/HE READS.

INSTRUCTIONS

1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listen carefully as I read the story called <i>Albert the TV Addict</i>.• Do not answer the questions or write anything whilst I am reading.
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Open the exam paper and look at the questions.• I will read the questions to you once.
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Close the exam paper and listen carefully.• I will read the story a second time.• Do not write anything while I am reading.
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• You have five minutes to answer questions 1 to 11.• In questions 1 to 9 tick only the correct answer.• In number 10 (a to c) fill in the missing word in each sentence.• In number 11 (a to f) tick to show whether each sentence is True or False.
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• I will read the passage to you a third time.• You may complete any unanswered questions as I read.
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• You have now three minutes to check your answers, and complete any unanswered questions.

Questions 1 to 9 (1 mark each) = 9 marks

Questions 10 (a to c) (1 mark each) = 3 marks

Questions 11 (a to f) (½ mark each) = 3 marks

TOTAL 15 MARKS

Albert the TV addict

1. Albert was a lovely old man. He loved children and always had time to talk to his neighbours. The only time he felt lonely was in the evening. Then Albert had an idea. 'I'll get a television,' he said.
2. Albert thought it was wonderful. The soap operas! The sports! The films! The advertisements! Then Albert became frustrated. While he was watching one channel, he was missing what was on the other channels. He bought a DVD recorder to solve the problem. Then he realised there was another problem. When he wanted to eat he had to leave his TV and go into the kitchen to prepare his meals. So he got a microwave. He moved this and his fridge into the bedroom. Now he didn't have to move anymore – unless he wanted to go to the bathroom!
3. Albert spent all his money on televisions. He even sold his lovely garden – he didn't have time to do any gardening anyway. With the money he bought a new satellite dish. He also bought four new televisions and an extra DVD recorder!
4. Soon his whole house was full of televisions. He could watch ten TV programmes at the same time! Albert didn't go out anymore. 'It's a boring old world!' Albert muttered as he switched channels with his remote control. Within a few weeks Albert had changed from being a friendly old man to being a miserable old man. He never saw anyone. He never talked to anyone. He stayed indoors and watched TV every minute of the day. Albert had become a TV addict!
5. Moral: Watching TV for a short time each day is fine but too much TV can be bad for you!

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Mary Bowen, Louis Fidge, Liz Hocking, Wendy Wren

Tick (✓) the correct word, phrase or sentence to answer the questions.

1. Who was Albert?

- a) A young man
- b) A lovely old man
- c) A middle-aged man
- d) A boy

a)
b)
c)
d)

2. When did he feel lonely?

- a) In the morning
- b) In the afternoon
- c) In the evening
- d) At night

a)
b)
c)
d)

3. What idea did Albert have?

- a) To buy a new car
- b) To get a television
- c) To go for a holiday abroad
- d) To dine with his friends in a restaurant

a)
b)
c)
d)

4. Apart from soap operas, sports and films what else could he watch?

- a) Advertisements
- b) News
- c) Documentaries
- d) Music Video Clips

a)
b)
c)
d)

5. How did Albert become?

- a) Satisfied
- b) Confused
- c) Frustrated
- d) Excited

a)
b)
c)
d)

6. What was happening while he was watching one channel?

- a) Reading the newspaper
- b) Phoning his friend
- c) Missing what was on the other channels
- d) Listening to music

a)
b)
c)
d)

7. What did he buy to solve the problem?

- a) DVD player
- b) CD player
- c) DVD recorder
- d) Playstation

a)
b)
c)
d)

8. What did he have to leave when he wanted to eat?

- a) His house
- b) TV
- c) Pet
- d) Sofa

a)
b)
c)
d)

9. What did he move into his bedroom?

- a) Radio and camera
- b) Laptop and mobile phone
- c) Microwave and fridge
- d) Books and files

a)
b)
c)
d)

(9 x 1 mark = 9 marks)

10. **Fill in the blanks with a suitable WORD.**

- a) Now he didn't have to move anymore - _____ he wanted to go to the bathroom!
(1 mark)
- b) He even sold his lovely _____.
(1 mark)
- c) He didn't have time to do any _____ anyway.
(1 mark)

11. **Tick (✓) to show if the sentence is TRUE or FALSE from the information in the passage.**

(6 x ½ = 3 marks)

Example: Albert spent all his money on televisions.

- a) With the money he bought a new satellite dish.
- b) He bought three new televisions.
- c) He could watch six TV programmes at the same time.
- d) Albert muttered as he switched channels with his remote control.
- e) Within a few weeks Albert had changed from being a friendly old man to a miserable old man.
- f) Later he started going outdoors.

True	False
✓	

Answers:

1) B

2) C

3) B

4) A

5) C

6) C

7) C

8) B

9) C

10) a) unless

b) garden

c) gardening

11) a. True

b. False

c. False

d. True

e. True

f. False