

GOZO COLLEGE
HALF YEARLY EXAMINATIONS 2010 - 2011

YEAR 5

ENGLISH
(LISTENING COMPREHENSION)
Teacher's copy

TIME: 20 MINUTES

Guidelines for the conduct of the Listening Comprehension Examination

ALL INSTRUCTIONS ARE TO BE GIVEN IN ENGLISH

Resources

Teacher: Reading Text and Questions

Each pupil: Pen and Examination paper

Introduction

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

THE TEACHER TELLS THE PUPILS THAT:

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| 1. | S/He is now going to read a story called <i>The Babyish Bear</i> . They are to listen carefully as s/he reads. They are not to answer the questions or to write anything whilst the teacher is reading. | (3 min) |
| 2. | They are to open the exam paper and to look at the questions as they listen to her/him read the questions to them once. | (3 min) |
| 3. | They are to close the exam paper and to listen carefully to her/him as she reads the passage a second time. They are not to answer the questions or to write anything whilst the teacher is reading. | (3 min) |
| 4. | They are to answer the questions in numbers 1 to 10 by putting a tick in a box to show the correct answer and in number 11 show whether each sentence is True or False, and number 12 by completing the sentence. | (5 min) |
| 5. | S/He is going to read the passage for the third time. They may complete any unanswered questions as the teacher reads. | (3 min) |
| 6. | They are now going to check their answers and complete any unanswered questions, making sure they have ticked only one box for each question. | (3 min) |

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NAME AND SURNAME: _____

CLASS: _____

- The teacher will tell you when to write.
- Listen carefully while the teacher is reading.
- Tick only one box for each answer.
- Check your answers.

Marks: 1 to 10 (1 mark each) = 10 marks

11 a to f (½ mark each) = 3 marks

12 (2 marks) = 2 marks

Total Marks = 15 marks

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The Babyish Bear

When Jack was given a big present for his birthday, he was surprised. It was from Mrs Marino, an elderly lady who lived nearby. Jack had never paid much attention to her before. He thought she was slightly strange, because she wore funny clothes and talked to herself as she walked down the street. But a present was a present, so maybe old Mrs Marino was kind, after all.

As soon as he had ripped off the paper, Jack changed his mind. It was a bear! A great big fluffy teddy bear with a ribbon around his neck. Even Jack's mother hid a smile.

'How lovely, sweetheart', she said. 'You must say thank you to Mrs Marino when you see her.'

Jack's mind was already on other problems. The bear had to be hidden- and fast. His friends were coming to his party in a couple of hours and there was no way they could see this bear. If only it wasn't so enormous....

He tried to hide it in cupboards. He tried to push it under the bed. He tried to stuff it into the bag where the dirty laundry was kept.

Nothing worked. The bear was *there!* It was too big to hide.

Jack tried placing it in various positions around the house. Maybe it could fit in a cupboard somewhere? But he found that whenever he went back into the room, kind of pretending he didn't know there was a bear in there, the first thing to catch his eye was that silly, fluffy face!

It was almost time for the party when Jack had a brilliant idea.

'If I hurry, I've just got time to go and thank Mrs Marino,' he told his mother. She was suspicious, of course, but she let him go.

Jack struggled down the street with the bear. When Mrs Marino opened the door, his words came out in a rush. 'Mrs-Marino-thank-you-very-much-for-my-present-but-it's-my-party-and-I'm-afraid-he-might-get-damaged-so-could-you-keep-him-for-me-this-afternoon-please?'

Mrs Marino looked puzzled. 'Well, you won't want a bear at your age, will you? Did you like the watch?'

Jack shook his head. What watch?

Then Mrs Marino showed him the little opening in the bear's back where you could tuck things away. And she gave him the amazing watch that was inside and explained that she thought the bear would stop it getting squashed or stood on among all his presents.

'I was right,' Jack told his mother when he got home. 'She is strange, but she's okay too. More than okay. Oh look, it's time for my party!'

Put a tick (✓) in a box to show the correct answer.

1. Why was Jack surprised?

- a) because he received a small present.
- b) because he received a big present.
- c) because he received a cheap present.
- d) because he received a wonderful present.

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2. Who was Mrs Marino?

- a) she was a young lady who lived nearby.
- b) She was a young lady who lived far away.
- c) She was an elderly lady who lived nearby.
- d) She was an elderly lady who lived far away.

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3. What did Jack find as soon as he had torn the paper?

- a) He found a kite.
- b) He found a ball.
- c) He found a drum.
- d) He found a teddy-bear.

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4. Did Jack like the present?

- a) No, not at all.
- b) Yes, he really liked it.
- c) Yes, he liked tying the ribbon around his neck.
- d) Yes, he liked playing with it.

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5. Jack's friends were coming to his party

- a) in a minute.
- b) In one hour.
- c) In two hours.
- d) In three hours.

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6. What did Jack try to do?

- a) He tried to wash it.
- b) He tried to brush it.
- c) He tried to paint it.
- d) He tried to hide it.

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7. Where did Jack try to place it?

- a) He tried placing it in the garden.
- b) He tried placing it around the house.
- c) He tried placing it in the basement.
- d) He tried placing it on the roof.

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8. What was the first thing to catch his eye, as soon as he entered the room?

- a) A round, childish face.
- b) A young, girlish face.
- c) A nice, chubby face.
- d) A silly, fluffy face.

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9. What was Jack's brilliant idea?

- a) He wanted to go and thank his grandma.
- b) He wanted to throw the bear in a rubbish bin.
- c) He wanted to give it back to his neighbour.
- d) He wanted to sell it at the market.

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10. Why did Mrs Marino give the babyish bear?

- a) So that Jack would play happily with it.
- b) So that Jack would like her.
- c) So that the bear would keep Jack company.
- d) So that the bear would stop the watch getting squashed.

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11. Put a (✓) in a box to show whether each sentence is True or False.

- a) Jack had always paid attention to Mrs Marino.
- b) Jack's mother hid a smile when she saw the bear.
- c) The bear had to be shown to everyone.
- d) Jack tried to push the bear under the bed.
- e) The bear fitted in a cupboard.
- f) A watch was hidden inside the bear.

| True | False |
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12. Complete this sentence with ONE suitable reason.

Jack thought Mrs Marino was strange because_____

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| Questions | 1-10 | (1 mark each) | = 10 marks |
| Question | 11- (a-f) | (1/2 mark each) | = 3 marks |
| Question | 12 | (2 marks) | = 2 marks |

Total 15 marks.

Answers/Marking Scheme

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The Babyish Bear

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| 1 | b) because he received a big present. | 1 |
| 2 | c) She was an elderly lady who lived nearby. | 1 |
| 3 | d) He found a teddy-bear. | 1 |
| 4 | a) No, not at all. | 1 |
| 5 | c) In two hours. | 1 |
| 6 | d) He tried to hide it. | 1 |
| 7 | b) tried placing it around the house. | 1 |
| 8 | d) A silly, fluffy face. | 1 |
| 9 | c) He wanted to give it back to his neighbour. | 1 |
| 10 | d) So that the bear would stop the watch getting squashed. | 1 |
| 11 | a) false b) true c) false d) true e) false f) true | $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| 12 | She wore funny clothes; or She talked to herself; or She hid the watch inside the bear;.... | 2 |