

**QUESTION BOOKLET  
READ THIS BOOKLET FIRST**

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**INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE TESTING  
SYSTEM**

**ACADEMIC READING**

**SAMPLE TEST**

**TIME: 1 hour plus your additional time allowance**

**MODIFIED LARGE PRINT VERSION**

**READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2**

## **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

**Write your name and candidate number in the spaces at the top of the first page.**

**Read the instructions for each part of the paper carefully.**

**Answer all the questions.**

**Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.**

**At the end of the test, hand in both booklets and your answer sheet.**

## **INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

**There are 40 questions on this question paper.**

**Each question carries one mark.**

**You should spend about a third of your available time on each of the three Reading Passages.**

**Note: the texts and questions are in separate booklets.**

**DO NOT TURN OVER UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.**

## **READING PASSAGE 1**

### **QUESTIONS 1 – 6**

**Answer questions 1 – 6 by referring to READING PASSAGE 1 on pages 2 – 4 of the separate booklet.**

**Do the following statements agree with the information given in Reading Passage 1?**

**For questions 1 – 6, write**

**TRUE:** if the statement agrees with the information

**FALSE:** if the statement contradicts the information

**NOT GIVEN:** if there is no information on this

**Write your answers on your answer sheet.**

- 1 The natural world is often the first place people think about with regard to new engineering materials.**
- 2 Spider-silk is a natural substance that can be used in the production of certain types of specialist clothing.**
- 3 According to fishermen, ragworm numbers in the North Atlantic have increased.**
- 4 Apart from its jaw, the rest of a ragworm is soft.**
- 5 Some synthetic plastics are weaker than ragworm jaws.**
- 6 Ragworms that live in clean water have less zinc in their jaws than those that live in dirty water.**

## QUESTIONS 7 – 10

Complete the notes below by referring to **READING PASSAGE 1** on pages 2 – 4 of the separate booklet.

Choose **ONE WORD ONLY** from the passage for each answer.

Write your answers on your answer sheet.

### DR BROOMELL AND DR WAITE'S RESEARCH

- Large numbers of ragworm jaws were collected.
- A probe was used to analyse the toughness of the jaws.
- They found the jaws were very strong but also very 7 \_\_\_\_\_ .
- They realised the jaws were unlike other hard body parts such as 8 \_\_\_\_\_ .
- Closer X-ray analysis indicated that no 9 \_\_\_\_\_ had taken place.
- In addition to zinc, they discovered large quantities of 10 \_\_\_\_\_ in the protein mix.

## **QUESTIONS 11 – 13**

**Answer questions 11 – 13 by referring to **READING PASSAGE 1** on pages 2 – 4 of the separate booklet.**

**Choose ONE WORD ONLY from the passage for each answer.**

**Write your answers on your answer sheet.**

- 11 Which parts of their body do ragworms use to move across beaches?**
- 12 Which parts of their body do ragworms use to attack other creatures?**
- 13 What type of object does NASA hope worm-jaw protein will help them make?**

## **READING PASSAGE 2**

### **QUESTIONS 14 – 18**

**Answer questions 14 – 18 by referring to READING PASSAGE 2 on pages 5 – 8 of the separate booklet.**

**Do the following statements agree with the claims of the writer in Reading Passage 2?**

**For questions 14 – 18, write**

**YES:** if the statement agrees with the claims of the writer

**NO:** if the statement contradicts the claims of the writer

**NOT GIVEN:** if it is impossible to say what the writer thinks about this

**Write your answers on your answer sheet.**

- 14 Archaeology involves creativity as well as careful investigative work.**
- 15 Archaeologists must be able to translate texts from ancient languages.**
- 16 Movies give a realistic picture of the work of archaeologists.**
- 17 Archaeology is a more demanding study than anthropology.**
- 18 The history of Europe has been documented since 3000 BC.**

## **QUESTIONS 19 and 20**

**Answer questions 19 and 20 by referring to **READING PASSAGE 2** on pages 5 – 8 of the separate booklet.**

**Read the following five statements, A – E.**

**Which TWO of the following statements about anthropology are made by the writer?**

**Choose TWO letters, A – E.**

**Write your two answers on your answer sheet.**

- A It is important for government planners.**
- B It is a continually growing field of study.**
- C It often involves long periods of fieldwork.**
- D It is subdivided for study purposes.**
- E It studies human evolutionary patterns.**

## **QUESTIONS 21 and 22**

**Answer questions 21 and 22 by referring to **READING PASSAGE 2** on pages 5 – 8 of the separate booklet.**

**Read the following five tasks, A – E.**

**Which TWO of the following tasks of an archaeologist are mentioned by the writer?**

**Choose TWO letters, A – E.**

**Write your two answers on your answer sheet.**

- A examining ancient waste sites to investigate diet**
- B studying cave art to determine its significance**
- C deducing reasons for the shape of domestic buildings**
- D investigating the way different cultures make and use objects**
- E examining evidence for past climate changes**

## QUESTIONS 23 – 26

Answer questions 23 – 26 by referring to **READING PASSAGE 2** on pages 5 – 8 of the separate booklet.

Complete the summary of the last two paragraphs of Reading Passage 2.

Choose **NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS** from the passage for each answer.

Write your answers on your answer sheet.

Much of the work of archaeologists can be done using written records but they find 23 \_\_\_\_\_ equally valuable. The writer describes archaeology as both a 24 \_\_\_\_\_ and a 25 \_\_\_\_\_. However, as archaeologists do not try to influence human behaviour, the writer compares their style of working to that of a 26 \_\_\_\_\_.

## **READING PASSAGE 3**

### **QUESTIONS 27 – 33**

**Answer questions 27 – 33 by referring to READING PASSAGE 3 on pages 9 – 12 of the separate booklet.**

**Read the following statements (questions 27 – 33) and the list of people (A, B, C and D), below.**

**Match each statement with the correct person, A, B, C or D.**

**Write the correct letter, A, B, C or D, on your answer sheet.**

**NB You may use any letter more than once.**

### **STATEMENTS**

- 27 You need to focus on exactly what you want to achieve as well as all the steps needed to achieve it.**
- 28 You are more likely to succeed if you recognise that you have prepared well.**
- 29 Some people want to win and others don't want to lose.**
- 30 A fear of losing should be faced.**

- 31** Some people only attempt to do things they know they will achieve.
- 32** Successful people actively use available resources.
- 33** It is better to think about the here and now rather than what you will do next.

### **LIST OF PEOPLE**

- A** Gavin Freeman  
**B** Jocelyn Penna  
**C** Clark Perry  
**D** Jeff Bond

### **QUESTIONS 34 – 37**

Answer questions 34 – 37 by referring to **READING PASSAGE 3** on pages 9 – 12 of the separate booklet.

Reading Passage 3 has eight paragraphs, A – H.

Which paragraph contains the following information?

Write the correct letter, A – H, on your answer sheet.

- 34** an account of how someone dealt with an injury in a positive way
- 35** an expression which means periods of failure

- 36** a step-by-step process showing how to benefit from talking to yourself
- 37** a list of stressful work-related and social occasions which cause a physical reaction

**QUESTIONS 38 and 39**

Answer questions 38 and 39 by referring to **READING PASSAGE 3** on pages 9 – 12 of the separate booklet.

Read the following five statements, **A – E**.

Which **TWO** of the following statements does **Gavin Freeman** make about successful people?

Choose **TWO** letters, **A – E**.

Write your two answers on your answer sheet.

- A** Top-level athletes think quite differently to ordinary people.
- B** Staying enthusiastic in trying to achieve your goals is very difficult.
- C** The kind of person we are determines whether we are likely to succeed.
- D** Successful people have more accidents because they try harder.
- E** There are more people who try to avoid failure than try to succeed.

## **QUESTION 40**

**Answer question 40 by referring to READING PASSAGE 3 on pages 9 – 12 of the separate booklet.**

**For question 40, choose the correct letter, A, B, C or D.**

**Write the correct letter, A, B, C or D, on your answer sheet.**

**Which of the following is the most suitable subtitle for Reading Passage 3?**

- A Motivational techniques for business success**
- B How facing difficulties can lead to success**
- C Sports psychologists describe what we can learn from the minds of champions**
- D Psychologists disagree on why some talented athletes fail while others succeed**

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