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# English Paper

## READING TEST

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You can take these different tests to see how you are doing in English.  
Choose the test you are interested in from the following sections: Reading, Writing, Listening, and Speaking.

- Answer each of the questions in the section carefully in your answer sheet.
- Double-check you are sure of your answers.
- Make changes if necessary.
- When you finish, ask for help from your teacher.

/5 points

Read the article and check (✓) the correct answers.

### Roller Derby, Adrenaline at Its Best!

Roller Derby is a full-contact team sport that is becoming popular around the world. At first, it was played by teams of women, but nowadays, men are also getting interested in it. Each team may have up to fourteen members, but only five can play at one time. The game is played on an oval roller track and its objective is to score as many points as possible in two periods or *jams* of 30 minutes each.

How can a team score a point? Easy! The jammer or offensive member of one of the teams must race around the track. To avoid it, the blockers, or defensive members, must stop the *jammer*. As players can get injured easily, they require some special equipment such as helmets, mouth guards, and knee and elbow pads.

One thing that makes Roller Derby very exciting is that every match must have a winner; ties are not allowed. If the two teams score the same number of points at the end of the two jams, teams play an overtime jam. You can't miss this exciting experience!



### Questions

- Roller Derby is an individual sport.  
☐ True  
☐ False
- Participants must wear special equipment.  
☐ True  
☐ False
- The *jammer* is the defensive member of a team.  
☐ True  
☐ False
- The teams consist of five members.  
☐ True  
☐ False
- Ties are not permitted in Roller Derby.  
☐ True  
☐ False

/5 points

Match the descriptions to the pictures.

Sports

- a. The practice of going over obstacles in a man-made or natural environment through the use of running, jumping, climbing, rolling and other movements in order to travel from one point to another.
- b. An action sport that involves riding and performing tricks using a wheeled flat board as well as being a recreational activity, an art form and a method of transportation.
- c. A form of exercise that involves using a special stationary exercise bicycle in a classroom setting.
- d. A sport in which an offending player tries to hit a ball away from the reach of the defenders and score runs by running around the bases.
- e. A racket sport in which players strike a ball over a net and into the opponent's court.

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/5 points

Read and choose the correct answer.

# NEWSPAPER

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**Dear Advice Column,**

I'm always getting into trouble for one thing or another. It's a chain of events. For example, I always snooze the alarm, so I never get up on time. Therefore, I am usually late for school. My mom refuses to wake me up because she thinks it's my responsibility, as I am not a child anymore. Some teachers are patient, but others are not. So, I am in trouble with my teachers.

When I'm at school I don't pay enough attention, and as a consequence, I miss details to do my

homework properly. Since my homework is not what the teacher had asked for, I get bad grades. I think I might even get expelled from school.

I don't know how to start changing my bad habits. If I started getting up earlier, would I break the cycle?

What should I do?  
My parents must be desperate, too.

Thank you,

Luis



## Questions

- When does the chain of events start?
 

☐ being late for school
☐ snoozing the alarm
- Why doesn't Luis' mother wake him up?
 

☐ because it's Luis' responsibility
☐ because she doesn't get up early
- Why is his homework wrong?
 

☐ because he's late
☐ because he misses details
- Does he have a suggestion for a solution?
 

☐ No, he doesn't.
☐ Yes, he does.
- What is a deduction he makes?
 

☐ His parents must be desperate.
☐ He gets bad grades.

/5 points

Read and complete the text with the phrases from the box.

has been doing      shouldn't have      must have had  
can't be      goes shopping

To:

From:

Subject:

Hi, Derek,

I am writing to ask for advice as you are my friend and a psychologist, too. I have a friend who 1. \_\_\_\_\_ every day. She loves shopping for clothes, sports equipment, electronics, and even buys things just because she liked the ad. She knows all the shopping malls, boutiques, markets, and every shop in town. Her house is full of unopened packages, which show she does not need the stuff. Every day she feels the need to buy something. She 2. \_\_\_\_\_ this for the last four years. She 3. \_\_\_\_\_ a traumatic experience before this started.

Many times, when she gets home, she realizes that she 4. \_\_\_\_\_ bought so many things, but it doesn't stop her from doing it again and again. This 5. \_\_\_\_\_ normal.

Once I asked her why she did it, and she said she had no idea. However, she doesn't see it as a problem.

/5 points

Complete the story with the phrases in the box.

will change  
will outnumber

will seek out  
will include

will vacation  
will include

### Vacations of the Future

In the late 2030s, people over 50 1.  younger generations. This active population, 2.  more frequently in exotic locations, thinking of nothing but new adventures.

The "real vacation" experience for travelers 3. . Popular sports 4.  skydiving, watching polar bears in the wild, and mind-and-body travel experiences.

A new type of tourist 5.  eco-friendly vacations. Less than 1 percent of people currently look for sustainable destinations, but this is predicted to increase to 5 percent with many people only traveling to places that protect the environment.