

**ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS 2016**

**ENGLISH (Diagnostic)**

**Year 1**

**Time allowed: 1 hour**

**ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS  
ON THE PAPER**

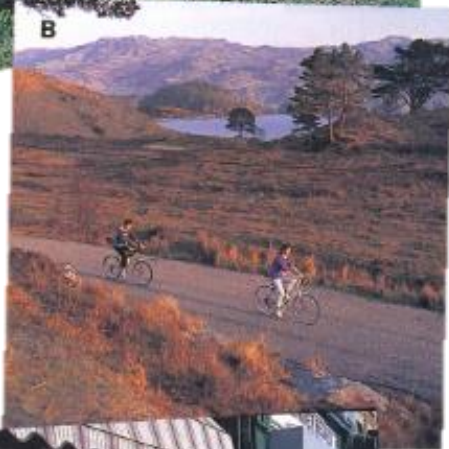
**This paper is 10 pages.**



Read about the people in the pictures.

**Exercise 1:** Find the right picture for each text and write it in the space provided below.  
(3 marks)

Picture	Paragraph
A.	
B.	
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1. **Jim and Lisa Watson** live in London. They live in a house in a busy street. They walk to school.

‘London is great,’ says Jim. ‘It’s got cinemas and discos and shops and lots of football teams.’

Lisa thinks there are good and bad things in London, ‘In a city, you have friends and there are things to do, but it’s noisy and dirty. We go to the country when we have a holiday or we go to a park in the centre.’

2. **Clare Thomas and Gary Bell** live in a village in Norfolk. Clare lives in a cottage with a garden. Gary lives above his mother’s shop. It’s a small supermarket. Clare goes to school in Norwich and goes on a special bus. Gary walks to school in Aylsham

‘It’s a healthy life in the country,’ says Gary. ‘I ride my horse and sometimes I work on a farm in the summer.’

Clare is happy in the village but says there are problems, ‘My friends live in Norwich and it’s difficult for me to see them. I can go on the bus but there is only one bus every day!’

3. **Tim Wallace and Annie Downs** live on a small island in Scotland. They both go to school on Skye, another island, because there isn’t a school in their village. It’s a boarding school.

‘Life on the island is good,’ says Tim. ‘We can cycle in the mountains or go fishing, but there aren’t any jobs for young people.’

Annie thinks boarding school is great. ‘I’ve got my friends with me all the time. I miss my brothers and sisters, but I see them on Saturday and Sunday.’

**Exercise 2: Now answer the questions about the people you have read. Answer the questions in complete sentences. (14 marks)**

1. Do Jim and Lisa live in the countryside?

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2. How do they go to school?

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3. Why does Jim like London?

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4. Give two things Lisa says are bad about London?

a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

5. Where is Clare and Gary's village?

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6. Why does Gary like living in the country?

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7. What does Gary's mother do?

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8. Why can't Clare see her friends very often?

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9. Why do Tim and Annie go to a boarding school?

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10. Write down one good thing about living on the island and one negative thing?

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11. Write one good thing about boarding school and one negative thing?

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**Exercise 3: Read about Charles Gray an ex-millionaire and answer the questions that follow. Answer the questions in complete sentences. (8 marks)**

**‘Who wants to be a Millionaire? I don’t,’** says Charles Gray

Angus Deayton interviews ex-millionaire Charles Gray

**Sixteen years ago,** Charles was a college professor with a huge six-bedroom house and a fortune of \$2 million. Today he lives in a small caravan where there is only second-hand furniture. There are certainly no signs that Charles was a rich man! There is a small garden outside with a few fruit trees. Charles grows some vegetables and a few flowers. He gets his clothes and a lot of other things from charity shops.



But this change is not a tragedy. Charles was happy to give up the lifestyle of a rich man. He was tired of being a person who had everything in a world where many people have nothing. He made the choice to give all his money away. And this, he says, has brought him happiness.

‘A few years ago,’ says Charles, ‘I was a millionaire, but I knew there were a lot of hungry people in the world.’ So he gave all his money to charities. When he had two thousand dollars left, he gave away small bank notes in the streets of local poor areas. Did he feel like Father Christmas? ‘It was a lot of fun,’ says Charles.

Charles believes that a lot of people want to earn a lot of money so that they will not have any worries. However, most people never make such money. Charles Gray decided to drop out and has discovered that having only a little money makes you free. Are there any things he misses? ‘No, I’m much happier now. I wouldn’t go back to being rich for anything – no way.’

1. What job did Charles do sixteen years ago?

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2. How do we know that he was a rich man?

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3. Where does Charles live now?

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4. Where does Charles get the things that he needs now that he is not rich?

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5. Why did he decide to give away his money to charities?

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6. What do most people want to do and why?

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7. Which word shows us how he feels now?

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8. Does he want to go back to his past life?

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**Exercise 4: There is one mistake in each of these sentences. Find it and re-write the sentences correctly, as in the example. (10 marks)**

**Example:** He have his own room.

**Answer:** He **has** his own room.

1. My uncles house is the one by the lake.

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2. There books are on the shelf.

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3. My photographs are the one on the table.

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4. How many information did he give you?

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5. There isn't some sugar left.

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6. My best friend live next to me.

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7. Who's bicycle is in the garden?

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8. Why she isn't in her classroom?

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9. My hair are long and wavy.

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10. My grandfather told to me a story about a lost treasure.

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**Exercise 5: Write down the questions for the answers given, as in the example.  
(15 marks)**

**Example:**     **Where is your brother?**

**Answer:**     **He's at school.**

1. What \_\_\_\_\_ ?

It's the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December

2. How \_\_\_\_\_ ?

He's fifteen years old.

3. How \_\_\_\_\_ ?

There are twenty-four students in my class.

4. \_\_\_\_\_ ?

It's my neighbour, Ms Sheila.

5. \_\_\_\_\_ ?

He's from France.

6. \_\_\_\_\_ ?

No, but he can speak Spanish and Italian.

7. \_\_\_\_\_ ?

He's looking for his wallet.

8. \_\_\_\_\_ suitcase \_\_\_\_\_ ?

The large grey one is mine.

9. \_\_\_\_\_ ?

It's sunny and warm.

10. \_\_\_\_\_ ?

My favourite actor is Zac Efron.

11. \_\_\_\_\_ ?

We didn't go to the party because it was very late.

12. \_\_\_\_\_ ?

She lived in Italy before she moved to Cyprus.

13. \_\_\_\_\_ ?

My sister works for a large company in New York.

14. \_\_\_\_\_ ?

No thanks, I'm not thirsty.

15. \_\_\_\_\_ ?

She is Japanese

**Exercise 6: Fill in the spaces by giving the opposite word to the one in brackets.  
(10 marks)**

**Example:** He is a very \_\_\_\_\_ man. (tall)

**Answer:** He is a very short man.

1. I can't swim here. The water is \_\_\_\_\_. (deep)

2. I bought two watches because they were very \_\_\_\_\_. (expensive )

3. The coach to Pafos leaves very \_\_\_\_\_. (late)

4. The box was very \_\_\_\_\_ and I couldn't carry it. (light)

5. She was \_\_\_\_\_ to her teacher, but later she apologised. (polite)

6. It was a long and \_\_\_\_\_ journey. (relaxing)

7. Use the \_\_\_\_\_ cloth to clean the stain. (dry)

8. Summer is a very \_\_\_\_\_ time for hotels. (quiet)

9. The article on rock music was very \_\_\_\_\_. (boring)

10. The fish tank was \_\_\_\_\_. (full)



**Exercise 7: Now read about Harry's daily routine and habits and fill in the gaps with words of your own. (15 marks)**

My name is Harry Mitchell and I \_\_\_\_\_ in a small \_\_\_\_\_ in the English countryside. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ place and it's great living close to nature. You can see the change of seasons and we always eat \_\_\_\_\_ fruit and vegetables.

I live with my family, that is my parents, my \_\_\_\_\_ brother and my grandmother \_\_\_\_\_ lives with us. My brother's name is Timothy and he's a \_\_\_\_\_ at the local college. I am still \_\_\_\_\_ secondary school in \_\_\_\_\_ three. I enjoy school but my \_\_\_\_\_ subjects are Geography and music. I really like \_\_\_\_\_ about \_\_\_\_\_ countries and their customs. I also love music and I even \_\_\_\_\_ my own songs. I spend a lot of my \_\_\_\_\_ time \_\_\_\_\_ to music.

Every morning I \_\_\_\_\_ to wake up early to \_\_\_\_\_ the bus to school. We \_\_\_\_\_ at 9 and finish at 3.30 but we have a break \_\_\_\_\_ lunch. We either take a packed lunch \_\_\_\_\_ home or buy something from the \_\_\_\_\_.

We \_\_\_\_\_ six lessons each day and extra activities in the \_\_\_\_\_. I always \_\_\_\_\_ tired after a long day at school.

\_\_\_\_\_ the evening, I rest for a while and then I \_\_\_\_\_ my homework. I \_\_\_\_\_ T.V. and then go \_\_\_\_\_ bed.

At weekends when I have some \_\_\_\_\_ time I \_\_\_\_\_ go to the cinema or to the mall with my friends.





