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**8 Practice Examinations
for the NOCN**

B2 Level

Teacher's Book Leaflet

Model Essays & Letters Included

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ALL "D" ANSWERS

REMOVED FROM ALL TESTS

Changes & Additions

Test 1 – Listening Part 2 – Conversation 1

3. According to the conversation, which statement is true?
- a. She has two more years of high school.
 - b. Her old friends will forget her.
 - c. She will come back for Christmas.

Part 3 – Broadcast 1

6. What did people do during the waking period?
- a. They kept active.
 - b. They stayed in bed.
 - c. They visited neighbours.

Part 3 – Broadcast 2

4. Who were the first European explorers?
- a. Portugal and Spain
 - b. France
 - c. The Netherlands

Reading - Text 1

1. According to the report, which statement is true?
- a. Modern technology has helped to make cheating easy
 - b. Camera phones are most commonly used for cheating.
 - c. Group work is a very common way to cheat.
7. There's a grammatical mistake:
- a. In line 10
 - b. In line 14
 - c. In line 18
9. There is a spelling mistake:
- a. In line 7
 - b. In line 13
 - c. In line 26

Reading - Text 2

12. Which section should you read if you are a bossy parent?
- a. Parenting skills
 - b. Show your love
 - c. Rules to go by
13. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a way of bonding?
- a. cooking together
 - b. being in the same area
 - c. having long conversations
17. There is a spelling mistake:
- a. In line 3
 - b. In line 9
 - c. In line 22

Reading - Text 3

22. What is true about amateur shoplifters?
- They are very skilled at shoplifting.
 - Most steal because of peer pressure to do so.
 - They are the ones most likely to be caught.

Reading - Text 4

30. What helped make pizza popular to everyone in the US?
- American soldiers returning from Italy after World War II.
 - The first pizzeria opened in 1905.
 - A Coney Island pizzeria.
31. Where could you most likely find this article?
- In a history book.
 - In a cookbook.
 - In a magazine.

Writing

Option 1 Formal Writing Task 1

Write an article for the local newspaper explaining why the park in your neighbourhood should not be turned into a shopping mall.

You could write about:

- it's a meeting place for young and old alike
- it keeps young kids off the streets
- many people exercise there
- many trees will have to be cut down to build

Model Article:

Unfortunately our city does not have many parks and many areas, especially downtown, do not even have trees. Why then would any public authority give anyone permission to turn one of the few parks available, into a shopping mall?

This park in my neighbourhood serves many functions besides being something uncommon in this city. It is the meeting place for people of all ages. Older people come to just sit and watch what's going on around them. Kids come to meet friends and hang out and not just wander around the streets. Others walk among the trees to get some much needed exercise.

If a shopping mall is built, many trees will be cut down and a cement structure will take their place. This is just what our heavily polluted environment needs; less trees and more cement.

Option 2 Formal Writing Task 1

Write an essay describing the most embarrassing situation that you have ever been in.

You could write about:

- who was involved in the situation
- the part you played in it
- how your parents reacted
- the effect it had on you

Model Letter:

Dear Lesley,
You can't imagine how excited I was about my visit this weekend. I had planned so much to do and I had so much news to tell you. Unfortunately, I messed up so there's no chance I'll be able to come.

I did quite badly on my last maths test and as a result, my parents hired a maths tutor for me. And guess what: all the tutoring will be on the weekends.

I can't afford to have a low grade in maths if I want to go to university. Since university entrance examinations are coming up soon, I have no choice but to start studying hard.

As if all this wasn't enough, my father's brother and his family are coming to visit us for 4 whole days. My uncle needs to go into hospital for a check-up, so they'll stay with us. My little cousins are adorable, but they'll want my constant attention. It's really not what I had planned, but I'll make the best of it. I guess it serves me right for not studying all year.

Love,
Judy

Test 2 - Listening – Part 1

3. a. I didn't get it.
b. Let's get going.
c. Then, who decides?
10. a. I'll go turn it up.
b. I'll go shut it up.
c. I'll go turn it down.

Part 2 – Conversation 1

1. When did the incident occur?
a. First thing in the morning.
b. While she was on her computer.
c. After lunch.
4. What was the company's reaction?
a. They fired her.
b. They were very severe with her.
c. They realised they weren't well protected.

Part 3 – Broadcast 1

4. The main purpose of the broadcast is:
a. to narrate
b. to advertise
c. to inform
6. Why did the Chinese invent sauces?
a. To make tasteless food tasty.
b. They liked spices.
c. They didn't like dry foods.

Part 3 – Broadcast 2

1. What is true about Robin Hood?
a. He was a yeoman.
b. He was an aristocrat.
c. He was an English folklore figure.
4. What is not attributed to Robin Hood?
a. Being good with a sword.
b. Dressing in green clothes.
c. Stealing from the poor.

Reading – Text 2

13. Which of the following is NOT given as a sign of computer abuse?
a. lower grades in school
b. compulsive behaviour
c. talking rudely
14. What does the report say about computers?
a. They make teenagers dishonest.
b. They should only be in the living room.
c. They provide entertainment.

Reading – Text 3

25. What does the text suggest retailers do?
a. Read the "Retail Therapy" study.
b. Have some candy in their stores.
c. Cheer their customers up.

Reading – Text 4

26. According to the text, which statement is true?
- Children can become immune to violence by watching too much of it on TV.
 - Children most often identify with victims.
 - Any violence seen on TV makes children aggressive.
31. Where would one most likely read such an article?
- In a parenting magazine.
 - In an advertising leaflet.
 - In a police report.

Writing

Option 1 **Formal** Writing Task 1

Write a report on the benefits of having a hobby.

You could write about:

- how to choose your hobby
- what having a hobby involves
- how a hobby can be shared with friends
- hobbies you consider unacceptable

Model Report:

Even the busiest people have some free time to spend on themselves. This means spending time for yourself doing what you enjoy. This requires having a hobby. To choose your hobby you must consider what it is you like to do. From what do you get pleasure?

If you are the outdoors type you might enjoy anything from walking to riding a bike or hitting a tennis ball. You can do many outdoors activities like hiking, walking, camping or playing team sports with friends.

It's fun to be around people you like, doing what you like to do best.

Having at least one hobby is very important and does bring people together and offers relief from school, work, and the problems of our daily routines.

Option 2 **Formal** Writing Task 1

Write an invitation to the students at your school to take part in an upcoming marathon.

You could write about:

- what the purpose of the marathon is
- the course and length of the marathon
- the organisation and help needed
- why students should take part in it

Model Invitation:

To All the Students at our School

It's time we all got involved with our community and tried to do something for those who are less fortunate than we are. In these difficult economic times, many people do not get even the basic daily nutrition they need. This is why we, the students in the last year of high school, have decided to hold a 20 kilometre marathon, from the sea front to the centre of the city. We need the help of every single student in our school to go out and find sponsors who will pay them, for every kilometre they run. The idea is for every student to find many sponsors so the money adds up.

The money we collect will be used to shop for food, from wholesalers who will give us good prices. We then have to make food baskets which we will deliver to people we know are unemployed.

It's time we all did our share and I know that we'll all come together, to carry out this project successfully, and with pride, in our community.

Test 3 – Listening – Part 1

1.
 - I have to think it through.
 - I'll have to think through it.
 - I have to look through it.
2.
 - Really? That was unnecessary.
 - Really? What did it say?
 - Was it really necessary?

7. a. Yes, it's a disgrace.
b. Yes, it's disgracing.
c. Yes, it's disgracefully.

Part 2 – Conversation 1

2. What is the woman's problem?
a. Her flat has been damaged.
b. She doesn't have a contract.
c. Her landlord won't return the deposit.

Part 3 – Broadcast 1

2. What did laboratory tests show?
a. A cup of coffee can lead to B-vitamin deficiency.
b. Coffee drinkers should take B vitamins.
c. We should be careful not to over-drink coffee.
4. What is one thing caffeine does?
a. It increases the flow of blood through the kidneys.
b. It acts as a tranquilising drug.
c. It stimulates the taste of food.
6. What advice does the speaker give?
a. We must avoid caffeine.
b. We must be careful about how much caffeine we drink.
c. We must take Vitamin B pills.

Part 3 – Broadcast 2

3. Which of the following statements is NOT true?
a. If you dream of riding a bike, you move your legs.
b. Researchers do not know the cause of jerks.
c. Sleep brings paralysis.

Reading – Text 1

5. According to the article, donor parts:
a. come primarily from living donors.
b. are less often from cadaveric donation.
c. are greatly needed world-wide.
7. There is a grammatical mistake:
a. In line 2
b. In line 7
c. In line 22

Reading – Text 2

14. Which level of learning is described as controversial?
a. Level 1
b. Level 3
c. Level 5
17. There is a spelling mistake:
a. In line 8
b. In line 14
c. In line 29

Reading – Text 3

22. What does the article NOT mention as a task of the US team?
a. To help with logistics.
b. To gather intelligence.
c. To offer psychological support to parents.

Reading – Text 4

27. Why was the chimp grimacing?
- He didn't like the taste of the leaves.
 - Because they weren't folded properly.
 - He was taking an old-fashioned medicine.
31. What does the author claim about medicinal substances?
- They are not found only in plants.
 - They are found in minerals.
 - They are found only in plants.

Writing

Option 1 Formal Writing Task 1

Present your argument on why you think it's important for people to have good manners.

You could write about:

- where people learn manners
- what being well-mannered involves
- whether or not manners and education are related
- whether people in the past were better-mannered than people today

Model Argument:

How many times have you heard someone say "Her children are so well-mannered" or "Don't you have any manners?". Society puts great importance on manners which involves acting in a socially acceptable way.

Being well-mannered means doing the right thing at the appropriate time. It involves giving up your seat to an elderly man or woman. It also involves being polite and holding open the door for the person coming in after you. It means saying "thank you" and "I'm sorry".

Most children learn manners from their home environment but if this is not the case, the school and the educational environment should play an active role. This however does not necessarily mean that educated people are always well-mannered. The opposite might also be true.

Manners don't necessarily rely on a particular time period, or on education. It's more an issue of respect. If you respect yourself, you respect others and this is obvious, in your manner toward them.

Option 2 Formal Writing Task 1

Write an article on the benefits of test-taking.

You could write about:

- how it keeps students focused on their studies
- shows progress or pin-points problem areas
- gives the students the opportunity and time to get help
- grades do not just depend on 1 final exam

Model Article:

Though all students complain about studying for tests, we should focus on how useful tests can be. Imagine if there were no tests at all, during the school semester, but only 1 final examination which determined your grade. How useful or fair would this be? Imagine if you had had a bad day, on the day of the exam.

Preparing for tests, keeps students focused on their studies the whole year through, so, it's much easier to be able to handle final exams. Tests show whether students have understood the material taught and show progress as well as pinpointing weaknesses. This gives the student time to get help where problems exist. In this way, one has time to improve his final grade by gradually getting better and focusing on what has been missed in class.

We all know that cramming for one or two weeks before an exam is not the best way to recall material that has been taught through the year. The best way is to have tests along the one-year period.

Test 4 – Listening – Part 1

1.
 - They always are misbehaving.
 - Yes, they aren't behaved.
 - They don't usually misbehave.
5.
 - I am not going anywhere.
 - It is depending.
 - It depends.

Part 2 – Conversation 1

3. What is wrong with the dog?
 - a. She gets no exercise.
 - b. She doesn't leave the house.
 - c. She is limping.
5. What are they going to do?
 - a. Take the dog to the doctor.
 - b. Exercise the leg.
 - c. Put the dog on a diet.

Part 2 – Conversation 2

5. Who has the fastest trains?
 - a. the French
 - b. the British
 - c. the Germans

Part 3 – Broadcast 1

1. What does embarrassment cause?
 - a. Very serious damage.
 - b. Bullying from peers.
 - c. A loss of self-respect.
4. What does the speaker NOT say about embarrassment?
 - a. Everyone has felt embarrassment at some time.
 - b. It is short-lived.
 - c. It affects older people more deeply.
6. What is true about embarrassment?
 - a. It's an emotion we are born with.
 - b. It can have harmful effects.
 - c. Adults can't handle it as well as teenagers.

Part 3 – Broadcast 2

1. What does the broadcast claim about right-handed people?
 - a. Society is geared towards being right-handed.
 - b. They have no left-handed family members.
 - c. They all have high rates of arthritis.
4. What have researchers discovered?
 - a. leftie-genes
 - b. left-handed knowledge
 - c. particular personality traits lefties have

Reading – Text 1

1. According to the article, which statement is true?
 - a. The author considers the problem very serious.
 - b. Most of our communication is superficial.
 - c. Dr. Ishii is a researcher in the UK.
4. Who is Dr. Ishii?
 - a. The author of the study on mobile phone addiction.
 - b. A child psychologist.
 - c. A Japanese doctor working in Britain.
5. According to the article, relationships:
 - a. are presently too superficial.
 - b. are dependent greatly on acquaintances.
 - c. mean doing things with other people.
10. The best word to replace the word *deterioration* in line 16 is:
 - a. strengthening
 - b. bonding
 - c. worsening

Reading – Text 2

12. Which section should you read if you want to know about how Chaplin was honoured?
- Sir Charles Spencer
 - Early Steps
 - Accomplishments
19. The best word to complete the sentence in line 28, Text 4, is:
- perfect
 - perfection
 - perfectionist

Reading – Text 3

22. What does the article NOT say is included in the programme?
- Behavioural Therapy based on a patient's actions
 - An evaluation by a psychiatrist.
 - Group and individual talk therapy.

Reading – Text 4

29. What does the article say about football at the end of the 1800's?
- It was only played by England and Scotland.
 - It was played for medals.
 - It was played to entertain people.
31. When was FIFA founded?
- After the First World War.
 - In 1904.
 - In 1906.

Writing

Option 1 **Formal Writing Task 1**

Write an article for a blog giving your opinion on how peer pressure affects young people.

You could write about:

- how you always have to be careful because you know you are being judged
- how some kids are so mean
- how important it is for young people to fit in
- how some kids are bullies

Model Article:

I think it's sad that we are so insecure that we allow peer pressure and bullies to make our lives miserable. It's not easy to be young and to have to try to fit in and have your peers judging you all the time. No one likes to be judged. But, it is important to understand why people judge others or are bullies. It is because they are the ones who are more insecure than the people they are judging and bullying. They do what they do, to hide their own weaknesses.

Why should we all dress alike or have the same hairstyles, listen to the same music, and so on? Be different. It's nice to be unique and stand out for your style. Dare to try and if anyone tries to bully or pressure you, stand up to them and they'll soon leave you alone, if they see it doesn't affect you.

Option 2 **Formal Writing Task 1**

Write an essay for your class describing what you think are the benefits of going on vacation by yourself with your friends.

You could write about:

- how you want to accept responsibility for yourself
- learning to budget your money
- more fun with peers, similar interests
- tastes of young people different to those of parents

Model Essay:

We're always being told to act maturely, to grow up and accept responsibilities. Well, if this is the case, then I believe that being allowed to go on vacation with friends and not the family, is a good way to show that you are becoming independent and mature.

If you're not with the family and relying on them, you have to budget your money. You must make it last so you can have a long vacation. You must decide what you can or can't afford to do and eat.

Besides, there are lots of things to do when you're with friends that don't require money. It's more fun to do these things with your peers. This is only logical since young people have different tastes, likes and dislikes. They like to party and stay out late, especially when on vacation. The thing is not to lose control and overdo it.

If you can follow these simple guidelines, and show maturity and good sense, you should be allowed to go on vacation with your peers.

Test 5 – Listening – Part 1

7. a. She shouldn't have listened.
 b. She wouldn't have listened.
 c. She should have listened.

Part 2 – Conversation 1

3. What does he recommend she do in the evening?
 a. Go to the Herodion.
 b. Go to the Agora.
 c. Go to the Acropolis museum.

Part 2 – Conversation 2

4. What is true about teaching?
 a. It's a satisfying job.
 b. Adults learn easier.
 c. There are always discipline problems.

Part 3 – Broadcast 1

5. How many police forces do England and Wales have?
 a. 10
 b. 16
 c. 43
6. Where has crime risen the most?
 a. In London
 b. In Bedfordshire
 c. In Northamptonshire

Part 3 – Broadcast 2

1. What was true about consumers in the past?
 a. They were not aware.
 b. They were aware of product quality.
 c. They didn't care about nutrition.

Reading – Text 1

1. The first protective glasses were worn by:
 a. the Chinese
 b. the Roman emperor Nero
 c. the Inuit
4. What was the purpose of using smoky quartz?
 a. It offered protection from the bright sun.
 b. It was an accessory of Chinese judges.
 c. It worked like a mirror to reflect the sun's rays.

Reading – Text 2

15. Which best describes the format of the text?
 a. A survey
 b. An article
 c. An informative text
17. A word has been omitted in line 32. The word should be:
 a. content
 b. adding
 c. flavouring
18. There is a grammatical mistake:
 a. In line 14
 b. In line 23
 c. In line 31

Reading – Text 3

24. What is the marmalade for?
- It is served with the bread pudding.
 - It is mixed into the cream and milk.
 - It is spread over the top of the bread and baked.

Reading – Text 4

27. Which statement is true about Harington?
- His first cinema appearance was in 2011.
 - He will appear in one new release in 2015.
 - The first film he played in was *Silent Hill: Revelation 3D*.
30. A word has been correctly spelt but incorrectly used:
- In line 6
 - In line 11
 - In line 31
31. The word *acclaim* in line 21 can best be replaced with:
- praise
 - fame
 - disrespect

Writing

Option 1 Formal Writing Task 1

Write a story for your school newspaper describing a famous person you once met. (This event may be real or imaginary)

You could write about:

- who the person was
- why he/she is famous
- what you did/talked about
- what impressed you most about this person

Option 2 Formal Writing Task 1

Your school is hiring a new History teacher and has asked each class to describe what they think makes a good teacher.

You could write about:

- how teachers should be knowledgeable and caring
- a teacher needs experience
- the perfect age of the teacher
- how being able to communicate is necessary

Test 6 – Listening – Part 1

3.
 - Try not to believe him.
 - That is great, isn't it?
 - You're not the only one.
8.
 - Really, you should have been.
 - Really, you would be.
 - Really, you must be.

Part 2 – Conversation 1

1. What are they talking about?
- The economic situation.
 - His car problems.
 - Getting good discounts.

Part 2 – Conversation 2

4. What are his plans?
- He has decided to take up photography.
 - One day he wants to have an exhibition.
 - He wants to combine his studies with photography.

Part 3 – Broadcast 1

3. Which quality is not attributed to the plant?
- a. It helps cure cancer.
 - b. Improving the digestive system.
 - c. It helps people with breathing problems.
4. According to the broadcast, which statement is true?
- a. It is used more to improve beauty.
 - b. It is chiefly a healing product.
 - c. All its properties make it a wonder plant.
6. What does Aloe do for the skin?
- a. It helps dry skin.
 - b. It makes it glow.
 - c. It protects it from the sun.

Part 3 – Broadcast 2

3. According to the broadcast, which statement is true?
- a. New York City is the noisiest city anywhere?
 - b. You can't avoid loud noise.
 - c. Many people are searching for quiet corners.

Reading – Text 1

2. The text suggests that sales clerks:
- a. are very attentive.
 - b. are not attentive.
 - c. are more observant in small shops.
4. Who is more likely to shoplift?
- a. Financially secure young adults.
 - b. An uneducated person.
 - c. Young students.
7. A word has been omitted in line 22. The word should be:
- a. expensive
 - b. expense
 - c. expensively
9. There is a spelling mistake:
- a. In line 7
 - b. In line 12
 - c. In line 22

Reading – Text 2

13. Which of the 4 methods described is most successful?
- a. The Halliwick Programme
 - b. Ai Chi
 - c. It isn't stated.
18. There is a grammatical mistake:
- a. In line 19
 - b. In line 27
 - c. In line 39
19. A word has been correctly spelt but incorrectly used:
- a. In line 19
 - b. In line 27
 - c. In line 39

Reading – Text 3

21. What is the main purpose of the text?
- a. To persuade
 - b. To entertain
 - c. To instruct

25. What does the text say about long flights?
- They are impossible in such cramped seats.
 - They are not for morning people.
 - There are exercises to do to make them a little easier.

Reading – Text 4

27. Which statement is true about interviews?
- Appearance is not as important as what you know.
 - Admit to not knowing something.
 - Ask a lot of questions about the employer.
30. A word has been correctly spelt but incorrectly used:
- In line 4
 - In line 10
 - In line 26
31. What should someone going for an interview bring with them?
- Something to write with
 - Proper identification
 - Research on the company

Writing

Option 1 Formal Writing Task 1

You will be finishing high school in two years. You must decide what you want to do. Write a letter to your school newspaper describing how you think young people should choose what they want to do.

You could write about:

- talking to people who are professionals in the careers you are interested in
- asking parents for advice
- searching the internet for job opportunities
- talking to career counsellors

Option 2 Formal Writing Task 1

You want to collect all the money you can to take with you on your 4-day school trip. Write a description of what chores you can do around the house and garden and pass it out to all your neighbours.

You could write about:

- why you need money
- the jobs you can do
- how you think you should be paid
- the benefits of doing these household chores

Test 7 – Listening – Part 1

- 4.
- Yes, I am knocking.
 - No, I did knock.
 - Yes, I usually do.

Part 2 – Conversation 2

1. What surprises Judy most about prisons?
- That they have TVs in the cells.
 - The comfortable furniture.
 - That prisoners can go home for holidays.

Part 3 – Broadcast 1

6. What does the speaker refuse to do?
- Wear t-shirts.
 - Be a victim.
 - Follow fashion.

Reading – Text 1

5. According to the article, Dr. Van Meekeren:
- served in the Russian army.
 - does research in Birmingham.
 - was a Dutch surgeon.

Reading – Text 2

14. What is the function of sleep?
- It recharges our batteries.
 - It helps refresh our memories.
 - All of the above.
15. According to the article, what is “the bottom line”?
- the agreement
 - final research
 - the conclusion
20. The word *intriguing* in line 11 can best be replaced by:
- fascinating
 - inexplicable
 - unique

Reading – Text 3

22. What does the article say about the flu shot?
- Everyone should get it.
 - It protects you from a serious illness.
 - It doesn't guarantee you won't get the flu anyway.
23. When should you visit your doctor?
- As soon as you feel flu symptoms.
 - If your temperature reaches 100° F.
 - If you are sick for over three days.

Reading – Text 4

27. What did the participants of the study have in common?
- They were lonely.
 - They had histories of mental problems.
 - Their relationships had failed.
31. The best word(s) to replace the word *ignore* in line 29 is:
- disregard
 - explore
 - refer

Writing

Option 1 Formal Writing Task 1

Write an article for your school magazine describing at what age you think young people should be able to go on vacation with their friends.

You could write about:

- a person's maturity has nothing to do with age
- kids should have part-time jobs to make money for vacation
- financial independence is important
- not a matter of age – if you can pay, you can go

Option 2 Formal Writing Task 1

Write a report about a book you recently read and enjoyed.

You could write about:

- who the main characters were
- the main theme(s) of the book
- why you recommend it
- what specifically made the book good

Test 8 – Listening – Part 1

6. a. It will be if I will have time.
b. It will be if I have time.
c. It was since I have time.

Part 2 – Conversation 2

5. Why did the girl start cutting hair?
a. She didn't have money to spend on haircuts.
b. It was hard to find a good hairdresser abroad.
c. She didn't trust strangers to cut her hair.

Part 3 – Broadcast 1

1. What argument supports having children in these times?
a. The country needs fresh blood.
b. Careers should be secondary to children.
c. People had children in times of war.
2. Which of the following is NOT a reason people don't have children?
a. Both parents must work.
b. Raising children requires lots of money.
c. People get married much older.
6. Why are couples today not having children?
a. Women would rather work.
b. Couples don't like taking risks.
c. For a variety of reasons.

Part 3 – Broadcast 2

1. In which country did tea originate?
a. China
b. India
c. It is uncertain.
2. According to the broadcast, which statement is true?
a. England is the 1st European country to drink tea.
b. Holland first brought tea to Europe.
c. Tea in Europe was first recorded by a Venetian.

Reading – Text 1

4. What is one disadvantage of being insured?
a. Thieves will get in anyway.
b. You have peace of mind.
c. The real value of your things may not be recovered.
5. According to the article, thieves:
a. Want citizens to be watchful.
b. Don't take things of sentimental value.
c. Avoid houses which are not easy pickings.
8. The wrong punctuation mark has been used:
a. In line 5
b. In line 13
c. In line 26

Reading – Text 2

12. What does the article claim about the Art Gallery?
a. It has various exhibits.
b. It shows the lifestyle of the Eskimos.
c. It features Inuit art.

14. The best place to eat would be:
- Chinatown
 - Asian restaurants
 - Ethnic restaurants
20. What is the best word or phrase to complete line 27, Text 5?
- exploring
 - having explored
 - explore

Reading – Text 3

24. “Are surrounded by controversy” in line 1 means:
- Children are surrounded by video games.
 - It’s hard to avoid gaming.
 - It’s not very clear.

Reading – Text 4

26. According to the text, which statement is true?
- Their brains are bigger than those of dogs.
 - Wolves have earned worldwide admiration.
 - Wolves are very numerous.
27. What brought wolves into conflict with man?
- Man’s turning to farming and the herding of animals.
 - Their adaptability.
 - Their socially complex societies.
30. What does the article say about the wolf’s eyes?
- They reflect the animal’s intelligence.
 - They show that wolves are evil.
 - They are very warm.
31. What is the main purpose of the text?
- To warn us about wolves.
 - It is informative.
 - It is instructive.

Writing

Option 1 Formal Writing Task 1

Write an article for your school newspaper about what each one of us can do to help improve our environment.

You could write about:

- the need to educate people against polluting
- organising volunteer tree planting
- making recycling a habit
- learning to conserve energy

Option 2 Formal Writing Task 1

Your best friend has gone on a diet and now looks like a walking skeleton. Write an essay giving your opinion on dieting and weight loss.

You could write about:

- how role models put stress on us to be thin
- why quick result diets are dangerous
- how weight loss should be long-term
- why we must eat healthy meals and be fit
