



English Speaking Board (International) Ltd.

Entry Level Award ESOL Skills for Life (Reading)  
(Entry 3)

Paper Time

60 minutes

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Please read the text below before attempting any of the paper

- Please complete the paper in blue or black ink, do not use pencil
- Questions may be attempted in any order
- Read each question carefully and answer as many questions as you can
- You must not use a dictionary
- At the end of the test, please close your paper and hand all materials to the Supervisor/Invigilator
- Do not open this paper until you are told to do so by the Supervisor/Invigilator

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18	1.4		18	1.4	
19	2.1		19	2.1	
20	3.1		20	3.1	
21	4.1		21	4.1	
<b>Overall Grade</b>			<b>Overall Grade</b>		

## Task 1

Read the text and answer questions 1 - 7.

# Andy Murray

Andy Murray is one of the best tennis players in the world. He was born in Glasgow in Scotland, is six feet and three inches tall and is well known for winning two gold medals in the Olympic Games. He started playing tennis as a child and has won matches all over the world. His brother, Jamie, also plays tennis. **He** has won many matches but is most famous for playing with a partner in matches called “doubles”.

His mother, Judy, is a big supporter and is often on the television watching her boys. Judy works with children and runs training clubs to encourage young people to play tennis and keep fit.

In 2010, Jamie got married in a big old hotel in Scotland. Andy was his best man. But in 2011, when Andy heard the hotel was closing, he decided to buy it himself. Cromlix House is now a very popular and successful hotel.

In 2015, Andy married Kim and in 2016 they had a daughter. They live in Scotland but Andy travels a lot to play matches in other countries.

In 2016, Andy was made a “Sir” by the Queen, for his services to tennis and charity. He has certainly **achieved a lot** for Great Britain and tennis.

Circle the letter of the correct answer.

1. Who is “**He**” in the first paragraph of the text?

- A Jamie Murray
- B Judy Murray
- C Andy Murray
- D Kim Murray

2. Judy Murray is a famous tennis player. Is this true or false? Tick (✓) the correct box.

True  False

3. Put the following events in order. The first one has been done for you.

<b>A</b>	Andy was made a “Sir”.	
<b>B</b>	Andy bought a hotel.	
<b>C</b>	Jamie got married.	1
<b>D</b>	Andy got married.	

Circle the letter of the correct answer.

4. Andy visits other countries to

- A play tennis
- B visit his mum
- C stay in a hotel
- D meet his brother.

5. What does “**achieved a lot**” mean in the last line of the text?

He is only 30 years old but already he has **achieved a lot** for Great Britain and tennis.

- A spent
- B worked hard
- C given to charities
- D succeeded in good things

6. The text

- A warns
- B advises
- C describes
- D advertises

7. Write the words in the table in alphabetical order.

buy  
many  
brother  
most


## Task 2

Read the text and answer questions 8 – 14.

### A

#### Travel from London to Manchester

- **TRAIN**

Trains to Manchester leave London every 20 minutes.  
The journey takes 2 hours and 10 minutes.  
The cost is around £82.

- **CAR**

The journey is 207 miles.  
It can take 3 hours and 48 minutes but often takes longer because of the traffic in London. There are often road works which may increase your journey time.  
The cost of the journey **could** be about £45.

- **COACH**

Coaches leave regularly.  
The journey time can take from 4 hours and 45 minutes to 6 hours and 25 minutes.  
The price is from about £7.50 to £11.50 depending on the time you choose.

Coaches and trains can be booked on the internet at [www.myjourney.co.uk](http://www.myjourney.co.uk)

### B

#### Build your own

Before you begin to build your small bookshelf, please read the details provided and make sure you have all the equipment and parts you need. There is a telephone number for our helpline on our website if you need any support.

- First, lay out all the pieces and make sure everything is ready. Now you are ready to build your shelves.
- Next, attach the three shelves to the side.
- Turn the bookshelf over and **attach** the other side piece.
- Put the top on the floor and stand the shelves in the centre.
- Fix the shelves to the top as shown in the details.

For further information visit

[www.fixmyshelf.com](http://www.fixmyshelf.com)



8. Text **A** compares travel from Manchester to London by plane, car and train.

Is this true or false? Tick (✓) the correct box.

True

False

Circle the letter of the correct answer.

9. Read Text **A**. What does “**could**” mean in the following sentence?

The cost of the journey **could** be about £25.

**A** can't

**B** might

**C** must

**D** will

10. Read text **A**. Which sentence is correct about the journey from London to Manchester?

**A** Coach travel costs £7.50 to £12.00.

**B** Trains leave every 20 minutes.

**C** You can't book coaches online.

**D** It is 209 miles by car.

Write your answers on the lines.

11. Read Text **B**. Write 2 things you must do before you build the shelves.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Circle the letter of the correct answer.

12. Which word is closest in meaning to “**attach**” in Text **B**.

- A split
- B build
- C connect
- D separate

13. The purpose of Text **B** is to

- A persuade
- B give instructions
- C advertise bookshelves
- D tell you about the equipment

14. Which list is in the correct alphabetical order? Circle ONE letter.

- | A      | B      | C      |
|--------|--------|--------|
| travel | car    | travel |
| turn   | coach  | car    |
| car    | travel | coach  |
| coach  | turn   | turn   |

### Task 3

Read the text and answer questions 15 - 21.

## Britain's Second City

During the last ten years, Birmingham city has changed enormously. New buildings are appearing and the City Council has a plan for even more development in the future. Business in Birmingham is successful.

Visitors to the city have easy access with three main railway stations including New Street Station with its new Grand Central shopping centre. Here **you** can find shops and places to eat, serving food from around the world. 2500 restaurants in the city serve food from over 30 different countries. Come and visit Birmingham and try the famous curry restaurants.

Visitors can find:

- A new library which opened in 2013.
- Many colleges and five universities for students to choose from and some of the best schools in the country.
- Many canals where people can sit outside and watch the boats. There are lots of restaurants and cafes in the canal area so visitors **frequently** come for day trips.
- A large airport, which is close to the city, so people can fly to their home countries and for holidays without travelling to London or other main cities.

Birmingham is an international city and the people are proud of their centre. Visit Birmingham for a day to remember!



15. The text is about the disadvantages of visiting Birmingham.

Is this true or false? Tick (✓) the correct box.

True

False

Circle the letter of the correct answer.

16. What plans do Birmingham City Council have?

- A Build Grand Central.
- B More development in the future.
- C Build more restaurants by the canals.
- D Increase the air travel to other countries.

17. Here **you** can find shops and places to eat serving food from around the world.  
Who is "**you**" in this sentence?

- A shop owners
- B councillors
- C students
- D visitors

18. Which word is closest in meaning to "**frequently**"?

- A sometimes
- B normally
- C often
- D rarely

19. The purpose of the text is to

- A persuade
- B instruct
- C report
- D warn

20. Which part of Birmingham do people visit for day trips? The

- A curry restaurants
- B Grand Central
- C canal area
- D airport

21. Circle the word which comes after “stations” in a dictionary.

railway

restaurants

successful

**End of assessment**