

## Practice Test 1a

### A- Language Functions

#### 1) Finish the following dialogue:

Heba is going to meet her friends today.

Mother : What are you going to do with your friends today?

Heba : We want to have a picnic but we don't know where to go, (1) .....

Mother : Garden Park is a nice place for a picnic.

Heba : Yes, it is. What can I take for the picnic?

Mother : (2) .....

Heba : That's a good idea. Do I need my hat today, Mum?

Mother : (3) ..... The sun is very strong today.

#### 2) Write what you would say in each of the following situations:

1- You drop a glass on the kitchen floor. Your younger sister walks into the room.  
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2- A friend asks you what you thought of a scary film that has just finished.  
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3- You tell a friend what you did last Saturday at midday.  
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### B) Reading Comprehension

#### 3) Read the following, then answer the questions:

In Sweden, the longest day of the year is celebrated in June. It is the start of a five-week holiday. Most people go on a trip to the country with their families. Children put flowers in their hair and everyone eats a special cake. In the evening, a family meal is eaten. This usually includes herring: **سمك مملح ، رنكة** there are a lot of these in the sea around Sweden. After people have eaten, they usually go for a walk. Nobody goes to bed before twelve o'clock on this special day! There is sunshine until very late at night in Sweden at this time. In the north it does not get dark at all! It can be difficult to sleep. To help **them**, people should find a room that is not very light.

1- What do most people do in June in Sweden?

2- What are herring?

3- Why do you think that people do not go to bed early in June in Sweden?

4- The main idea of the passage is about .....

a) Swedish food

b) the longest day in Sweden

c) holidays in Sweden

d) Swedish flowers

5- The underlined word **them** refers to .....

a) children

b) people without a house

c) people without families

d) people in Sweden

### C) The Reader

#### 4) a) Match column A with column B

A

B

1- Farmer Grey

( ) a) The horse who tells the story

2- Black Beauty

( ) b) A short fat horse

3- Merrylegs

( ) c) A horse who had a difficult past

4- Ginger

( ) d) A horse who forgot his mother's advice

( ) e) Black Beauty's first owner

#### b) Answer the following questions:

- 1- What advice did Black Beauty's mother give him?  
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- 2- What was Birtwick Park like?  
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- 3- What did the horses think of Birtwick Park?  
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- 4- How do we know that Black Beauty had good owners?  
.....
- 5- Do you think that Merrylegs was wrong to throw the older boys off his back?  
Why? / Why not?  
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**D- Usage and Writing**

**5) Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:**

- 1- When is Sham el-Nessirn ..... in Egypt?  
a) celebrated            b) celebrate            c) celebrates            d) celebrating
- 2- This book has ..... pages than that book  
a) little            b) less            c) fewer            d) least
- 3- People often drink ..... water in hot weather than when it is cold.  
a) less            b) least            c) more            d) most
- 4- It is not too hot on the beach because there is a nice .....  
a) breeze            b) cloud            c) storm            d) wave
- 5- The restaurant in the guidebook was a very good .....  
a) review            b) parade            c) information            d) recommendation
- 6- I don't know how to get to your house. Can you give me .....?  
a) activities            b) directions            c) costumes            d) conclusions

**6) Rewrite the following using the word(s) in brackets to give the same meaning:**

- 1- When you go to Luxor, I think you should visit the museum. (recommend)  
.....
- 2- The blue bottle has more water than the green bottle. (less)  
.....
- 3- Manal always helps people. (helpful)  
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**7) Read and correct the underlined words:**

- 1- The tourist information centre gave us a souvenir about what to do in the city.  
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- 2- The story is history. It is about the life of the pharaohs of ancient Egypt.  
.....
- 3- People often use salt to represent fish and other food.  
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**8) Write an email about one of the following:**

- You tell your English friend how Mother's Day is celebrated in Egypt.
  - You just watched a great film and you want to tell your friend about it.
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**Practice Test 1b**

**A- Language Functions**

**1) Finish the following dialogue:**

Seif has just watched a film at Yassin's house.  
 Self : That was a very good film.  
 Yassin : Yes, it was. (1) .....?  
 Seif : I was frightened when Detective Zaki was in the desert. Why did he go there?  
 Yassin : (2) .....  
 Seif : Now I understand. Do you recommend watching his other detective films?  
 Yassin : (3) .....

**2) Write what you would say in each of the following situations:**

- 1- A tourist asks you where he can buy a map. You know that the tourist information centre gives out maps for free.  
.....
- 2- Your friend has finished a book. The end of the book made you feel sad. You want to know if your friend thinks the same.  
.....
- 3- A friend asks you what you do before and after dinner.  
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**B- Reading Comprehension**

**3) Read the following, then answer the questions:**

It's my first visit to Egypt. My friends advised me to go to Alexandria. It's summer. However it is not very hot there, so many tourists go at this time. I'm staying in a hotel in Alexandria now. It is Friday, so there is little traffic in the streets. The hotel is near the sea and I can hear the boats. The hotel is also near the tourist information centre, but it is closed today. Tomorrow I will ask about what I should see in the city. The guidebook says that I should visit Fort Qaitbey. The stones in the fort are from the famous lighthouse. They were used after the lighthouse *collapsed* in an earthquake in 1303.

Best wishes,  
 Andy

- 1- Why do many tourists go to Alexandria in the summer?
- 2- Who do you think Andy is writing this email to and why?
- 3- What is the main idea of the email?
- 4- The word *collapsed* means .....  
 a) was built                      b) fell                                      c) started                                      d) was seen
- 5- The underlined word it refers to .....  
 a) the hotel                      b) the tourist information centre                      c) the road                                      d) Fort Qaitbey

**C- The Reader**

**4) a) Match column A with column B:**

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| <b>A</b>                 | <b>B</b>   |
| 1- Black Beauty          | ( ) a) She said, "Never bite or kick, even when you are just playing a game" |
| 2- Black Beauty's mother | ( ) b) This horse had one white foot.  |
| 3- Squire Gordon         | ( ) c) This horse had short, fat legs.                                       |
| 4- Squire Gordon's wife  | ( ) d) She named the horse "Black Beauty".                                   |
|                          | ( ) e) Farmer Grey sold Black Beauty to this person.                         |

**b. Answer the following questions:**

- 1- Who helped Black Beauty to learn to pull a carriage?  
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- 2- Why did Ginger sometimes bite or kick people?  
.....
- 3- Why did Squire Gordon's children stop visiting Merrylegs?  
.....
- 4- Do you think that Merrylegs was right to behave badly with the children? Why? /Why not?  
.....
- 5- Do you think that Squire Gordon was right to be angry with a man who worked for him?  
Why? /Why not?  
.....

**D- Usage and Writing**

**5) Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:**

- 1- It is cold and windy today. When you go outside, you ..... a coat.  
a) wear                      b) should wear                      c) shouldn't wear                      d) are wearing
- 2- ..... students in our school have visited England.  
a) Few                      b) Little                      c) Less                      d) The least
- 3- The museum ..... by thousands of tourists every day.  
a) visited                      b) visiting                      c) is visited                      d) was visited
- 4- The students usually stay in a youth ..... when they visit the city.  
a) hotel                      b) centre                      c) hostel                      d) office
- 5- Salt is often used to ..... fish and other food.  
a) pack                      b) preserve                      c) celebrate                      d) decorate
- 6- The teacher asked us to write a ..... of our visit to the museum.  
a) character                      b) title                      c) conclusion                      d) description

**6) Rewrite the following using the word(s) in brackets to give the same meaning:**

- 1- March has more days than February. (fewer)  
.....
- 2- You do not have to pay to go into the museum. (free)  
.....
- 3- I advise you to visit Aswan. (should)  
.....

**7) Read and correct the underlined words:**

- 1- We had good descriptions to the library, and found it easily.  
.....
- 2- When I'm frightened, I sometimes begin to trouble.  
.....
- 3- It is now eleven o'clock in the evening. In one hour, it will be midday.  
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**8) Write a paragraph of seven (7) sentences about one of the following:**

- a review of a book you liked
- why you think Egypt is a good place for tourists to visit

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