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Questions 1–4

| Question | Answer | Marks |
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| 1 (a) | Banana Leaf | [1] |
| (b) | Indian | [1] |
| 2 (a) | basket | [1] |
| (b) | market | [1] |
| 3 (a) | growing up | [1] |
| (b) | chef | [1] |
| 4 (a) | City College | [1] |
| (b) | Sport(s) centre | [1] |

[Total: 8]

Question 5: Work experience

| Question | Answer | Marks |
|-----------------|---------------|--------------|
| 5 (a) | 76 | [1] |
| (b) | report | [1] |
| (c) | music | [1] |
| (d) | jazz songs | [1] |
| (e) | sound effects | [1] |
| (f) | High Speed | [1] |
| (g) | comedy | [1] |
| (h) | be yourself | [1] |

[Total: 8]

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Question 6: Reading books

| Question | Answer | Marks |
|-----------------|---------------|--------------|
| Speaker 1 | E | [1] |
| Speaker 2 | A | [1] |
| Speaker 3 | G | [1] |
| Speaker 4 | F | [1] |
| Speaker 5 | B | [1] |
| Speaker 6 | D | [1] |

[Total: 6]

Question 7: Interview with Fred Lucatoni

| Question | Answer | Marks |
|-----------------|---------------|--------------|
| 7 (a) | A | [1] |
| (b) | C | [1] |
| (c) | A | [1] |
| (d) | A | [1] |
| (e) | C | [1] |
| (f) | C | [1] |
| (g) | B | [1] |
| (h) | A | [1] |

[Total: 8]

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TRANSCRIPT
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Listening (Core)
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TRACK 1

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English as a Second Language
Extended tier – Listening Comprehension

Welcome to the exam.

In a moment, your teacher is going to give out the question papers. When you get your paper, fill in your name, Centre number and Candidate number on the front page. Do not talk to anyone during the exam.

If you would like the recording to be louder or quieter, tell your teacher NOW. The recording will not be stopped while you are doing the exam.

Teacher: please give out the question papers, and when all the candidates are ready to start the test, please turn the recording back on.

[BEEP]

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Now you are all ready, here is the exam.

Questions 1–4

You will hear four short recordings. Answer each question on the line provided. Write no more than three words for each question.

You will hear each recording twice.

Pause 00'05"

Question 1

(a) Which restaurant did the woman eat at last night?

(b) What type of food does it serve?

M: *Did you have a good time with your sister last night?

F: Great, thanks. We tried to get into the new restaurant that you told me about – you know, er, *Ocean Club*. It looked amazing, but the waiter said we'd have to wait at least half an hour for a table, so we went to *Banana Leaf* instead. It was just around the corner, and the food was delicious!

M: Is that the place that does Chinese food?

F: Actually, it's Indian. I thought you'd been there before?

M: No, I haven't.

F: Well, you should go there sometime!**

Pause 00'10"

*Repeat from * to ***

Pause 00'05"

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Question 2

(a) What present has the man bought for his mother?

(b) Where did he buy it?

F: *Hello George. How was your trip?

M: Really good, thanks Mum. The meetings went well, and I had a day to do some sightseeing and shopping before I flew back. This is for you!

F: Oh, that's lovely. I'll put it on the dining table, I think! Do you know, I had a basket just like this one when you were little.

M: I remember! Actually, I nearly bought you a rug, but it was too big to carry back on the plane.

F: Well this is perfect. Did you get it from a craft shop?

M: It came from the market, which is only there once a week. I was lucky that it happened to be on my day off!**

Pause 00'10"

*Repeat from * to ***

Pause 00'05"

Question 3

(a) What will the next radio programme be about?

(b) Who will the special guest be in this programme?

M: *You're listening to Star Radio. Coming up in a moment is *My Time*, the ever-popular talk show. Last week we asked you to email us about the topic of growing up – and plenty of you have done just that, so we'll have lots to talk about today. And thanks to everyone who sent in pictures of the children's games that we heard all about in the last programme. As usual, we've invited someone interesting to join us on the show. We'll be hearing from a famous chef in a few moments – I won't spoil it by saying who just yet – but I'll give you advance warning that a well-known politician will be with us next week!**

Pause 00'10"

*Repeat from * to ***

Pause 00'05"

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Question 4

(a) Which school is the man's daughter going to next year?

(b) What does his daughter like most about the school?

F: *Has your daughter sorted out where she's going to study next year yet?

M: Oh, we heard last week. Her first choice was Forest Academy, though it seems everyone wanted to go there. She's got a place at City College, and she's happy about that.

F: I've heard the teaching is very good there. And the art department is supposed to be one of the best – that's what she wants to study, isn't it?

M: That's right. But actually she seems more excited about the sports centre. It's much bigger than the one we all go to at the moment.**

Pause 00'10"

*Repeat from * to ***

Pause 00'05"

That is the end of the four short recordings. In a moment you will hear Question 5. Now look at the questions for this part of the exam.

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Question 5

You will hear a student called Anna talking about some work experience she did last year at a television studio. Listen to the talk and complete the details below. Write one or two words only in each gap.

You will hear the talk twice.

*Hello. My name's Anna, and I've been asked to come here today to tell you about some work experience I did last year. It was after my first year at college, and I wanted to spend the summer doing something useful that might help me get a better job when I finish my course. As I'd like to work in television, I applied for a position at a local television studio. I saw the advertisement online. Apparently about 650 people responded to it – which shows how popular these jobs are, even though they aren't paid. Of those, 76 people were sent an application form to fill in, then 21 got an interview, and eventually four people, myself included, were taken on.

So, what did the application process involve? Obviously I had to send in my CV, which wasn't too difficult – my tutor helped me with that. They also asked for a report – I had to write about an event I'd been to recently. That was quite a challenge, as I had no idea what sort of thing they were looking for.

My work experience at the studio was four weeks long. I was asked to choose where I wanted to spend the first two weeks – I was tempted to join the news team, but in the end I went for the music team. It was a good choice – I had a fantastic time with them. Lots of people think that all you do when you're on work experience is make everyone cups of coffee – but this was far from it. For example, I worked with another student, looking into jazz songs, so that we could prepare questions for a quiz show. We spent ages on the internet, and went to the university library as well.

Another thing I helped with was preparing for an interview which one of the reporters was going to do with a film director. The main topic was sound effects, so I had to find out all about how they are made. That was really interesting.

Then, in the third week, I joined the sports team. We had a meeting one day which was to decide what to call a new programme that they were planning. We all had to make some suggestions – I liked *'Beat It'*, which was the first idea. I came up with *'High Speed'*, though in the end what they chose was *'The Score'*.

In my last week, I did several different things, which gave me a really good idea of how the whole studio operated. My favourite day was with the group who produce the scripts for a comedy show. On another day I watched part of a food programme being filmed – that was really interesting too.

Overall, doing this work experience was really useful, and I hope you can do something similar if you get a chance. Whatever you choose to do, make sure you have fun, and of course work hard while you're there. But most of all, be yourself. In this way you'll find out what your strengths and interests are, and it'll help you find your perfect job in the future.

Now, has anyone got any questions?***

Pause 00'30"

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Now you will hear the talk again.

*Repeat from * to ***

Pause 00'30"

That is the end of the talk. In a moment you will hear Question 6. Now look at the questions for this part of the exam.

Pause 00'25"

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Question 6

You will hear six people talking about reading books. For each of Speakers 1 to 6, choose from the list, A to G, which opinion each speaker expresses. Write the letter in the box. Use each letter only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

*Speaker 1

I've always been a keen reader. I read all kinds of books – I think it's better not to get into the habit of reading the same sort of thing all the time. That does mean that sometimes I end up with a book which I'm not all that keen on, and I have to force myself to get to the last page. I won't give up though, no matter how dreadful the story is – you never know what's going to happen at the end.

Pause 00'10"

Speaker 2

I've got so many books at home – whenever a friend comes round, they end up looking at my bookshelves and asking me what I think they'd enjoy. It's nice to be able to lend them a book, as long as they remember to return it! Even though I'm very attached to my own little library, I've started reading on screen recently, and I'm quite surprised that I find it easier and more convenient than having to hold a book open and keep turning pages over. I didn't expect that!

Pause 00'10"

Speaker 3

I have such a busy lifestyle that I never usually have much time for reading – but if I can, I try to get through a few pages last thing each day, just before I switch the lights off. It's a great way to relax. But I've just been on holiday, and all I did was sit in the sunshine and read. It was wonderful! I was so excited that I was able to spend time reading the little pile of books that had been sitting on my shelf for such a long time!

Pause 00'10"

Speaker 4

My friends and I have started a kind of book club – we all read the same book, then meet up and talk about it. We actually have quite a good laugh! We take it in turns to decide what to read next, but it has to be something that none of us have read before. Some books have certainly been better than others! When it's my turn to decide, I always look on the internet to see what other people have got to say before I make up my mind.

Pause 00'10"

Speaker 5

I never enjoyed studying literature at school – it seemed to take the pleasure out of reading for me. So for years, I used to pick up a book, read a few chapters, then start losing enthusiasm for it before getting to the end. Now what I find works for me is to have a few books lying around – I'll read a bit of one, then move on to another – like that, I find it keeps my interest up and I'm more likely to finish most of them.

Pause 00'10"

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Speaker 6

The last book I read was brilliant – the story was so inspiring that I really didn't want it to end. I have to confess that I had a quick look at the final few lines when I was still only reading the second chapter – I just couldn't resist. I've done that a few times before, but it doesn't spoil the story for me. Someone said that if I used an e-reader instead of a paperback book I couldn't do this so easily. I might get one – they're so small and light.**

Pause 00'20"

Now you will hear the six speakers again.

*Repeat from * to ***

Pause 00'30"

That is the end of Question 6. In a moment you will hear Question 7. Now look at the questions for this part of the exam.

Pause 00'25"

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Question 7

You will hear an interview with an astronaut called Fred Lucatoni, who recently spent six months living on the International Space Station. Listen to the interview and look at the questions. For each question, choose the correct answer, A, B or C, and put a tick (✓) in the appropriate box.

You will hear the interview twice.

(M – 40s; F – 30s)

- F: *Welcome to today's programme – the third in our series on living in space. I'm delighted to have with me in the studio Fred Lucatoni, who spent six months living on the International Space Station recently. Fred, can you tell us what it was like?
- M: Sure. Well, the international space station is an amazing place. It's actually pretty large – there's more living space than you'd find in a six-bedroom house, it's as long as a football pitch, and it has a volume equal to that of a Boeing 747 aeroplane. Does that give you an idea?
- F: It does. And now that you're back on Earth, what do you miss about the space station?
- M: Well, of course looking down on Earth from up there is incredible – it's so beautiful. And it's great fun the way you move around, floating in mid-air. I'd never get bored of that! But you won't believe me when I say that I've never slept better than I did up there – I wish it was the same on Earth!
- F: Interesting! Was there anything that was hard to put up with?
- M: Actually, the training beforehand is so thorough that nothing is really surprising. I knew we'd all be living in a small area, very close to each other all the time, and of course that everybody knows everything about you while you're there. That wasn't a problem. I suppose I occasionally got a bit tired of having to spend two hours working out every day – but that's just something you've got to do.
- F: To stop your muscles and bones from getting too weak?
- M: That's right. And you have to be careful about what you eat, too, to make sure you're getting all the necessary vitamins and so on. We all choose our own food before going up to the space station, so each of us has a personal supply – there's a surprisingly wide range of stuff that you can have up there! And it doesn't take all that long to get a meal ready, which is good.
- F: It's quite busy on the space station, isn't it?
- M: Yes. One of the things we did quite a lot of is run experiments. I'll never forget one I had to do with live ants – watching them trying to move around was pretty entertaining, because like us, they can't control their movements in space. I wasn't sure exactly what the experiment was for – sometimes they are quite weird, to be honest, but you just do as instructed and hope it's useful to whoever requested it.
- F: Did you ever feel lonely when you were up there?
- M: Lonely? Not at all. There were three of us, plus of course the huge team down on the ground.
- F: Doesn't it feel like they're monitoring you all the time?

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M: Well, they are! But you soon forget about that. In fact it's comforting to know that you can turn to them at any time. They keep an eye on every aspect of the expedition, and get feedback from us all the time – we have to send them all sorts of information on a daily basis, fill in forms on the computer, and so on.

F: Did six months feel like a long time to be away from home?

M: Not too long, no. But you start dreaming about being able to do certain things back on Earth, like taking your car for a drive – that was something my colleague was desperate to do! I certainly couldn't wait to have a proper shower – there's no running water up there. And I suppose I thought about being able to breathe in lovely fresh air, to a certain extent, too.

F: Oh, yes, I'd miss that... Anyway, one last question. What do you think makes a good astronaut?

M: Oh, well, someone who isn't likely to panic – but then you're trained to cope with all sorts. I'd say, more than anything, you've got to work well in a team – after all, once you're up there you can't avoid each other very easily! But it's also important to be able to communicate well – and of course to follow commands from others too.

F: Fred, it's been really interesting talking to you. Thank you for your time.

M: Thank you.**

Pause 00'30"

Now you will hear the interview again.

*Repeat from * to ***

Pause 00'30"

That is the end of the interview, and the exam.