

File Test 9 Reading and Writing B

GRAMMAR

- 1 Is the sentence right or wrong? Write C (correct) or I (incorrect).
Correct the incorrect sentences by writing them below.**

Example: We went to a barbecue at the house of Matteo. I

We went to a barbecue at Matteo's.

- 1 Is Sandrine the director of company? _____

- 2 Can you remember the actor's name? _____

- 3 I'm glad you like this dish. It's my brother's recipe. _____

- 4 Could you pass me the tin opener, please? _____

- 5 Anita is an old friend of my mother's. _____

- 6 Mark is mine friend from university. _____

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- 2 Underline the correct word(s).**

Example: I haven't tried Japanese food, but *I'd love* / *I'd love to*.

- 1 I think Erik enjoyed his surprise party, but he *didn't say not* / *didn't say so*.

- 2 **A** I've heard Yu Min's vegan now.

B Yes, I believe *so* / *not*.

- 3 Go straight on, and then turn right at the *road's end* / *end of the road*.

- 4 Kim is *a friend of mine sister* / *my sister's friend*.

- 5 Laura thought she'd be able to join us for coffee, but *she doesn't* / *she can't*.

- 6 Do you fancy *soup of chicken* / *chicken soup* for lunch today?

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3 Complete the sentences with one word.

Example: I felt sad when I realized that we might not see Angela again.

- 1 I think Rene had a good time even though she didn't say _____.
- 2 Clara didn't help make dinner last night, but she really should _____.
- 3 **A** Did you go and see the film last night?
B No, but Marco _____. He said it was really good.
- 4 The kids wanted to go to the forest, but I told them not _____. It's too far.
- 5 **A** Did Bettina get the job she wanted?
B I'm afraid _____. They offered it to someone else.
- 6 We went to Paris _____ didn't visit the Louvre.
- 7 **A** Are you going to the football match on Saturday?
B I suppose _____, unless it rains.
- 8 Jack thinks I'll enjoy barbecue, but I don't think I _____. I'm vegan, plus I've never enjoyed eating outside.

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Grammar total 20

VOCABULARY

4 Complete the words in the sentences.

Example: I'd like to have lemon cheesecake for dessert, please.

- 1 Drain the pasta through a **c**_____ and then add the garlic and cheese.
- 2 I ordered the **t**_____ chicken sandwich with chips and salad. It tasted amazing!
- 3 You'll need to pour the icing sugar through a **s**_____ to get rid of the lumps.
- 4 Jean usually fries the onions until they're brown and **c**_____.
- 5 Can you pass me the **s**_____ so I can flip the omelette over in the frying pan?
- 6 Do you prefer your potatoes **b**_____ or roasted?
- 7 When you don't know how to cook, even choosing the right **u**_____ is a difficult task.
- 8 Finlay always orders the hot chocolate with **wh**_____ cream on top. It looks delicious!

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5 Underline the odd word(s) out.

Example: sting hatch bark tail

- 1 baking tray scales frying pan saucepan
- 2 fluffy rubbery creamy honey
- 3 claws scratch paws hooves
- 4 stable roar grunt twitter
- 5 footprint impact position vegan
- 6 sliced chopped stewed minced

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6 Complete the words in the sentences.

Example: Adrian works for a homeless **charity** in Manchester.

- When I was little, my dad used to make me laugh by grunting like a **p**_____!
- People can be criminally prosecuted in the UK if they keep animals in **i**_____ conditions.
- A bird has a **b**_____ instead of a nose and mouth.
- Don't count your chickens before they're **h**_____. It might not work out.
- The blue whale, the orangutan, and the tiger are all endangered **sp**_____.
- Zoos now breed many types of animal in **c**_____, due to their natural habitats being destroyed.

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Vocabulary total		20
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PRONUNCIATION

7 Underline the stressed syllable.

Example: re|move

- om|ni|vore
- in|con|sis|tent
- pes|ca|ta|ri|an
- im|pact
- spe|ci|al|ity

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8 Match the words to the same sound.

vegan	potato	omlette	care	consistent
tolerate				

Example: drop omlette

- tail _____, _____
- vegetarian _____
- grilled _____
- heat _____

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Pronunciation total		10
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Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation total		50
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Reading and Writing B**READING**

Read the article about farming and climate change. Five sentences have been removed. Which sentence (A–F) fits each gap (1–5)? There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use.

Farming for the future

Most of us, when we try to picture a typical farm, will think of vast green fields full of cows or sheep, or perhaps a more intensive version – thousands of chickens in large barns or pigs packed into small, muddy enclosures. But in the face of impending climate emergency, the future of farming needs to look very different. According to agricultural experts in Scotland, farming will play a crucial role in helping Scotland to meet its target of net-zero carbon emissions by 2045.

Farmers have had a bad press recently. (----- 1 -----) Many farmers have reported feeling threatened and undervalued in the face of public and media criticism that they are driving climate change.

But environmentalists and food producers insist we need to support farmers rather than label them as the ‘bad guys’ who are destroying the planet. A spokesperson for Scottish agriculture has branded the negative public perception of farming as ‘unfair’ to farmers, who genuinely care about the climate crisis. The reality is that they are labouring under the challenge of putting food on our tables while also struggling to meet net-zero carbon emissions. It’s just not that straightforward.

In 2019, an Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) recommended people eat more plant-based foods, less meat and dairy, and choose sustainably produced food in order to reduce carbon emissions. While some felt that the report did not place enough emphasis on the high-carbon cost of meat production, others insisted that it is a reduction in meat and dairy production rather than eliminating it entirely that will create a sustainable food system for the future. (----- 2 -----) However, simply stopping eating meat and dairy won’t be enough to ensure our food system is sustainable, and able to cope with the demands of our future food requirements. According to climate scientist David Reay of Edinburgh University, adopting a strictly ‘no meat’ policy is not necessary – it ignores the reality of where we get our food from, and how sustainable agriculture, including meat production, could be used to combat climate change rather than abandoned in favour of plant-based crops. He says, that farmers can be champions – addressing climate change and ensuring our food security.

Of course, Scotland’s farmers can only produce what is possible. Although it would be good for the environment if they could produce products that are commonly imported from far away such as bananas, avocados, or quinoa, the Scottish climate would not allow for that.

But what they can do is use new and more sustainable methods and manage soils better so they become more productive. Converting to organic production would be healthier for human, animal, and soil health. (----- 3 -----) All of these methods have the potential to capture large amounts of carbon from the atmosphere.

Amongst those responsible for encouraging such innovative agricultural solutions to climate change, are young farmers Lynn Cassells and Sandra Baer. Since 2016, they have been ‘farming with the environment’ on their 150-acre Lynbreck Croft, a traditional small Scottish hill farm in the Highlands of Scotland. The multi-award-winning croft has pigs foraging in the woodlands and iconic Highland cattle grazing fields in a ‘mob grazing’ method. (----- 4 -----)

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Their chickens provide eggs for the local community and also act as effective pest control, killing insects and other pests in order to protect their organic vegetables without the use of harmful chemicals and pesticides. Bees produce honey and native hedgerows (shrubs and trees forming long lines around fields) provide habitats for wildlife as well as extra feed for their animals in the winter.

(----- 5 -----) Their view is shared by the Soil Association Scotland, whose Deputy Director David Michie says that in a climate emergency 'business as usual' just won't work. He suggests that the issue should be tackled at a political level, with careful consideration made regarding how best to support farmers to produce food in a way that will combat the climate emergency, rather than contribute to it. After all, the future of food is in their hands.

- A From an ethical point of view, there is a convincing argument to be made for becoming vegan.
- B Lynn and Sandra believe that their environmentally-friendly methods should be widely adopted by large-scale farms across Scotland.
- C Grazing animals such as sheep and goats are an essential part of the agricultural system, converting the grass they eat – which is obviously inedible to humans – into milk and meat to meet the world's food demands.
- D This system promotes grass growth by moving livestock from one small grassed area to another each day to allow the already grazed areas to recover, and as a result, the healthier grasslands capture more carbon.
- E With more and more people turning vegan or vegetarian in order to reduce their carbon footprints, the intensive farming of animals for meat and dairy products has come under fire.
- F In addition, agroforestry – the planting of native trees to provide shelter and shade to animals in harsh weather conditions – would increase the agricultural potential of our land as well as providing valuable wildlife habitats.

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WRITING

Write a formal email to a supermarket complaining about a product they are selling or practice you disagree with. Use your own ideas or one of the suggestions below.

Write approximately 250 words complaining about:

- an animal rights issue related to the meat, dairy products, or eggs the supermarket sells
- an environmental issue, e.g. intensive farming or use of chemicals
- use of plastic packaging or a food waste issue.

Writing total		10
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Listening and Speaking B

LISTENING

- 1 Listen to five people talking about people they know and situations they have been in. Match the speakers (1–5) to the sayings which best describes the person or situation they mention (A–H).**

- Speaker 1 ☐
 Speaker 2 ☐
 Speaker 3 ☐
 Speaker 4 ☐
 Speaker 5 ☐

- A to do all the donkey work
 B to not count your chickens before they have hatched
 C to kill two birds with one stone
 D a person whose bark is worse than their bite
 E to allow something to be like water off a duck's back
 F a person who is a bit of a dark horse
 G to smell a rat
 H to feel like a fish out of water

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- 2 Listen to a presentation about the sociology of veganism. Tick (✓) A, B, or C.**

- 1 According to the speaker, the majority of people make food choices based on _____.

- A the expectations of their social class ☐
 B personal tastes ☐
 C their belief about what is right for them personally ☐

- 2 What was meat consumption associated with in the past?

- A Male-dominated displays of wealth and power ☐
 B A connection to the natural world. ☐
 C Peasant diets.. ☐

- 3 What were vegans asked about during the research?

- A How sustainable they thought the vegan diet was long-term. ☐
 B Their reasons for becoming vegan. ☐
 C The difficulties they encountered being vegan. ☐

- 4 What does the speaker say that being vegan can lead people to assume?

- A That you are clever and well-educated. ☐
 B That you are a bit of a snowflake. ☐
 C That you are a fussy eater. ☐

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- 5 According to the speaker, having any kind of specific diet could _____.
- A have a positive environmental impact ☐
- B raise your social status ☐
- C result in poor health ☐

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Listening total		10
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SPEAKING

1 Ask your partner these questions.

- 1 How good are you at cooking?
- 2 How do you prepare your favourite food?
- 3 How would you describe your diet? Would you consider changing it? Why/why not?
- 4 Which animal frightens you the most?
- 5 What do you think of animal rights in your country?

2 Now answer your partner's questions.

3 Talk about one of these statements, saying if you agree or disagree. Give reasons.

- 1 'Frozen and convenience foods have been a terrible invention.'
- 2 'Too many animals are kept in unsatisfactory conditions for our entertainment (i.e. zoos, aquariums, pets).'
- 3 'Cooking is not something that I enjoy doing.'

4 Now listen to your partner. Do you agree with him / her?

Speaking total		20
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