# 1. NIVELL BÀSIC 2. COMPRENSIÓ LECTORA (READING COMPREHENSION) 

PART 1. MULTIPLE CHOICE TEST. Read the following text about politicians in London. Choose the most appropriate option A, B or C. The activity begins with an example. Write your answers on the answer sheet.

## Number of questions included in the exam: 5

## The Houses of Parliament

To know something about the world of Britain's politicians, you should explore the Houses of Parliament. They are part of the palace of Westminster, which stands on the banks of the Thames across the river from the London Eye. At the Northern end of the Palace there's a clock tower. As soon as they see it, tourists shout "That's Big Ben!" Actually, Big Ben is only the name of the impressive 13-tonne bell. You should visit the House of Commons' public gallery, where you can observe debates on weekday afternoons and evenings. Once inside, visitors pass through the octagonal Central Lobby (where the public can meet members of parliament- MPs), and then enter the House itself.

## This text has 252 words

0) If you want to learn about British politicians, it's best to...
a) ride on the London Eye
b) visit Big Ben
c) explore a part of Westminster Palace.
1) The Houses of Parliament...
a) are opposite the London Eye.
b) are next to the London Eye.
c) are far from the Big Ben.
2) Big Ben...
a) is the name of the tower.
b) is a small bell.
c) is close to the palace of Westminster.
3) Visitors can see British politicians...
a) at weekends
b) on Monday to Friday mornings.
c) in the Central Lobby.

## PART 2. MULTIPLE CHOICE CLOZE TEST. Read the following text and then decide which of the words (A, B, C or D) best fits each space. The activity begins with an example. Write your answers on the answer sheet.

## Number of questions included in the exam: 10

## ROLF HARRIS

Rolf Harris was born (0) b the $30^{\text {th }}$ March 1930 in Perth, Australia. As a young adult he was a champion swimmer. Then he studied art at the University of Western Australia and after that moved (1) ... London where he continued his studies. When he was in London he found work acting
on TV. In 1956 he returned to Perth and worked on (2) ... TV programmes. He married Arwen, who he had met as an art student in March 1958 and six years later they had a daughter.

Later he worked at TV station TVW. During this time he recorded (3) ... first song 'Tie Me Kangaroo Down, Sport'. Rolf has continued to record songs (4) ... then.

Source: Teach It World
*These are native aborigine instruments.

## This text has 279 words

| 0. | a) in | b) $\boldsymbol{\text { on }}$ | c) at | d) from |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1. | a) at | b) from | c) to | d) in |
| 2. | a) childrens | b) children | c) children's | d) childrens' |
| 3. | a) their | b) her | c) his | d) him |
| 4. | a) from | b) for | c) until | d) since |

PART 3. MULTIPLE MATCHING. You are going to read six job advertisements. Decide which job is more suitable for the people in options a-g. There is one option you don't need. The activity begins with an example. Write your answers on the answer sheet.

## Number of questions included in the exam: 5

## Applying for a job

1. Needed: Full time secretary position available. Applicants should have at least 2 years experience and be able to type 60 words a minute. No specialized computer skills required. Apply in person at United Business Ltd., 17 Browning Street, Leeds.
2. Are you looking for a part time job? We require 3 part time shop assistants to work during the evening. No experience required, applicants should be between 18 and 26. Call 366-76564 for more information.
3. Computer trained secretaries: Do you have experience working with computers? Would you like a full time position working in an exciting new company? If your answer is yes, give us a call at 457-896754.
4. Teachers Needed: Hania's Playschool needs 2 teacher/trainers to help with classes from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Applicants should have appropriate qualifications. For more information visit Hania's Playschool in Leicester Square.

## This text has 223 words

a) Alice Plant. Alice was trained as a secretary and has six years of experience. She is an excellent typist but does not have advanced computer skills. She is looking for a full time position. .... 1
b) Kasia Page. Kasia is 21 years old and would like a part time position to help her pay her university expenses. She can only work in the evenings.
c) Julian Smith. Julian went to business school and studied computer and secretarial skills. He is looking for his first job and would like a full time position.
d) Vincent Fish. Vincent loves working with children and has a degree in education from the University of Birmingham. He would like to work with young children.
e) Peter Jonson loves computers and needs a part time job in the morning to pay

PART 4. GAP FILLING. VERB TENSES. Read the following text and fill in the blanks with the right tense of the verbs in brackets. The activity begins with an example. Write your answers on the answer sheet.

## The Stuntman * <br> Number of questions included in the exam:10

John is 32 years old and lives in Manchester with his girlfriend, Gita. He (0) has (HAVE) a very unusual job - he is a stuntman! Every day he (1)... (DRIVE) to the film studios near his home and often works more than 10 hours a day. Last week he (2)... (FINISH) the new Stephen Spielberg movie. And now he (3) ... (MAKE) a film with Demi Moore. Lucky John! In his free time he also flies small aeroplanes. Last week he flew to Dublin for a party and next week he (4) ... (FLY) to Rome to see his friend, Neil.

* Stuntman: a person who substitutes an actor when filming dangerous scenes in a film.


## 2. NIVELL BÀSIC 2. COMPRENSIÓ AUDITIVA (LISTENING COMPREHENSION)

## Number of questions included in exam: 5

## LISTEN: (4)

Part 1. You are going to hear a conversation about quizzes on Television. You will have ONE AND A HALF minutes to read the questions carefully. Choose the option ( $a, b$ or $c$ ). You will hear the recording TWICE. The activity starts with the example (0).

## Quizzes

0). Which of these statements is true:
a) 60 countries have BIG BROTHER.
b) The interviewer likes BIG BROTHER.
c) BIG BROTHER is popular all over the world.
1). BIG BROTHER ...
a) is about a house with 15 people in it.
b) has been on TV for less than 10 years.
c) is only attractive for its final prize.
2). In COUNTDOWN ...
a) three contestants participate.
b) there is one number game.
c) you win a lot of money.
3). MASTERMIND ...
a) is a quiz show.
b) started in 1982.
c) shows people sitting on a black sofa.

Source: http://www.podcastsinenglish.com

Part 2. You are going to hear some information about four films. You will have ONE AND A HALF minutes to read the questions carefully. Fill in the gaps with the missing words. You will hear the recording TWICE. The activity begins with the example (0).

## Number of questions included in exam: 8

## LISTEN: ( )

## WORLD OF MOVIES

- To speak to an (0) ... operator...., press 3.

In: Don't Open The Door...

- a group of students rent a house for a relaxing weekend (1) $\qquad$ . .
- who or what is (2) .................................. the house?

In: Ships In The Night...

- Maggie takes a holiday on a cruise (3)......................................to help her forget her boyfriend.
- Toni is very unhappy when his girlfriend leaves him to (4) .................................... the captain.

Source: http://www.esl-lounge.com/student/listening-elementary.php

## 3. NIVELL BÀSIC 2. EXPRESSIÓ ESCRITA (WRITTEN COMPOSITION)

Write the following composition exercises, A and B. Both of them are compulsory.
Follow the instructions given carefully. You will lose marks if you write a very short or a very long composition.

Part 1. (60-80 words):
You went to see an old friend from school last weekend and stayed at his/her house. Write a short email saying how much you enjoyed yourself and invite her/him to your house next summer.

Part 2. (120 words):
You are spending the weekend in a city you really like. Write a postcard to a friend telling him/her about it. Describe the city and what you are doing.

## 4. NIVELL BÀSIC 2. EXPRESSIÓ ORAL (SPEAKING TEST)

The oral test includes 14 different topics. An example follows on page 6.

SEE NEXT PAGE

EXPRESSIÒ ORAL
TOPIC 6: FRIENDS AND FAMILY
CERTIFICAT DE NIVELL BÀSIC preparation time: 5 minutes

A. Describe the pictures.
B. Answer the questions about different topics:

1. Do you have a big or a small family?
2. How often do you go to the cinema?
3. What are you going to do next summer?
4. Who is your best friend? Explain.
5. What kind of books do you like reading?
6. What did you do during your Christmas holidays?
