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ESL Lounge

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1.3 Reading and Use of English

1.3.1 CAE

CAE Exam Format

CAE Reading and Use of English Practice Tests

Converse School of Languages

Gram?tica

Part 1: Multiple-choice cloze

This book gives advice on saving money. Here is some advice from experts.

What?s your opinion on the matter? What?s your opinion of the new boss?

She?s one of the foremost experts on child psychology. The building?s uppermost floors were engulfed with flames. Research forms the predominant part of my job. The director has really surpassed himself (= done better than he has done before) with this new film.

I love the way she styled your hair, an egg-shaped building European politics is mostly shaped by events and anniversaries.

Much of this meat will probably end up as dog food.

I have to hold my nose when I jump into water. They walked along holding hands. Computers can hold huge amounts of information. He currently holds the position of technical manager

Rosie suddenly grasped my hand. We must grasp every opportunity to strengthen economic ties with other countries. I think I managed to grasp the main points of the lecture.

It was an interesting book, full of fascinating insights into human relationships. The realization was dawning that this was a major disaster.

Please phone me back - it's a matter of some importance.

This meeting will be the first encounter between the party leaders since the election Children presenting with acute respiratory infections were referred for a chest X-ray. Did he offer any explanation for his strange behaviour?

Terry has been carrying a torch for Liz for years, but she seems not to notice.

1.4 Writing

1.4.1 Vocabulary

Sentiments

Removing very

1.4.2 CAE

c?mo hacer un writing

c?mo escribir un essay

conectores en ingl?s

diferencias entre ingl?s formal e informal

I got the gist of what she was saying. Entend? el punto esencial de lo que ella estaba diciendo.

Part 1

Essay

Part 2

Letter

Proposal

Report

Review

1.5 Listening

1.5.1 CAE

CAE Listening test 1

CAE Listening tests

1.6 Speaking

1.6.1 CAE

FREE EXAMPLE QUESTIONS

Speaking Paper

Sample test 1

Sample test 1 with examiner's comments <`PDF>`_

Sample test 2

Part 1

What do you enjoy most about learning English?

Sport and leisure How often do you get around to working out? What are the pros and cons of doing physical activity? Have you ever had an amazing sporting experience? Are there any times that you would rather relax to unwind from the stress of your routine rather than be active? What has been your greatest sporting achievement?

Success and failure What would you consider to be your greatest achievement? What is success? Define it. Is money an essential part of success nowadays? Can massive failures ever contribute towards a person's success? Have you ever failed miserably at something?

Communication How has the internet changed the way we communicate? What negative effects has the internet had on our social lives? Are you keen on talking on the phone? Why (not)? When was the last time you sent a personal letter? Which forms of communication will become obsolete?

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Health How important is our diet in living a healthy life? Would you ever consider having cosmetic surgery? Do you visit the doctor as often as you should? Are people aware of the dangers of cigarettes and alcohol? What is the best way of preventing or dealing with drug addiction?

Crime Do you know anyone who has been a victim of crime? Should any illegal substances such as cocaine be legalized? What is the most serious crime one can commit? What can we do to ensure that youngsters don't get involved in criminal behaviour? What is the most common crime in your region?

People and their lives What are the benefits of having a fixed routine? Are you a fan of taking up new activities? Would you say you are more of an early riser or a night-owl? When was the last time you made drastic changes to your daily routine? What is your opinion on flexitime at work?

The environment Would you say that young people concern themselves with environmental issues? Are there any types of natural disaster that occur in your country? What can be done to prevent global warming? Are national governments doing enough to stop the effects of climate change? Do you think it should be obligatory to recycle, punishable with a fine?

Time What measures do you put in place to make sure you use your time effectively? Do you ever procrastinate? Why (not)? Name a situation in which you need to kill time Do you enjoy hanging out with your family? What types of activities do you need to take your time over?

Shopping and buying things What's your view of online shopping? Do you think shopping on the internet will ever overtake the convential way of shopping? What possible drawbacks could shopping online have? Do you reckon that people spend money on things that they do not need nowadays? When was the last time you spend an arm and a leg?

Work and our careers Is it a good idea to stay in the same job your whole life or to try different things? Have you ever experienced great success at work? Would you ever consider changing career paths? Have you ever been fired from your job? Why? Have you ever been unemployed for a long period of time? How did/would you feel?

Education and our development Is it essential to get a degree in today's society? Which types of degrees are better, vocational or academic? Would you dare say that you are a good student? What can students learn from failing exams? How could the education system be improved in your country?

Travel and tourism Are you keen on travelling alone or with others? What are the possible difficulties faced when travelling abroad? Is travelling to a different country the best way to learn a language? Have you ever had a nightmare trip? Why? Due to the improvement of living standards, has travelling become easier in recent times?

Technology Would you say that technology has improved our lives? What are the possible risks of using the internet? What can be done about addiction to technology? What are the advantages and disadvantages to owning a mobile phone? In which ways can technology impede our progress at school/university/work?

Friends, family and relationships Have new technologies made us more or less sociable? Would you say you value the opinion of your friends or family more? Do you get on with all the members of your family? Do you need to cut down on the amount of time you spend with anyone you know? How can your family help you cut out behaviour that can be detrimental to your progress?

Speaking Exam Part 2: Long Turn

Task type: Individual Time: 1 minute Task: choose 2 pictures out of 3 to compare

TASK

In this task, you have to talk for about a minute without interruption.

You are given 3 pictures around a particular theme and you have to compare and react to two of them.

The prompt is also written above the pictures. You need to compare, contrast, give opinions, speculate and hypothesise, rather than simply describe the pictures.

You are also asked to comment briefly for about 30 seconds after your partner has spoken about his/her pictures.

TASK STRATEGY

Make sure you don't just describe the pictures . Keep talking until the examiner says 'Thank you'. Avoid repeating language.

Organise your ideas so that you answer both parts of the question, and try to express yourself coherently and with enthusiasm.

Don't leave long pauses. Paraphrase if necessary

When your partner is speaking, listen but you cannot interrupt. You will have to give a view on what he/she says when they finish talking- the examiner will ask you a short, related question.

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