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INTERNATIONAL GCSE ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Listening Paper

Tuesday 28 October 2025

07:00 UK Time

Time allowed: 45 minutes

(including 5 minutes' reading time before the test)

Materials

You will need no other materials.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions.

This is what you should do for each item.

- After the question number is announced, there will be a pause to allow you to read the instructions and questions.
- Listen carefully to the recording and read the questions again.
- Listen to the recording again and then answer the questions.
- When the next question is about to start you will hear a bleep.
- You may write at any time during the test.
- Answer the questions in **English**.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write on blank pages.
- If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
- Write neatly and put down all the information you are asked to give.
- **You must not ask questions or interrupt during the test.**
- You now have 5 minutes to read through the question paper. You may make notes during this time. You may open your answer book now.
- The test starts now.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 40.
- You must **not** use a dictionary.

For Examiner's Use	
Task	Mark
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Task 1

Listen carefully to the following statements. You will hear each statement twice.

Write the correct letter in the box for questions **01** to **04**.

01. **1** What does the speaker use the app for?

[1 mark]

A	To learn the names of flowers.
B	To take photos of flowers.
C	To find places to have a walk.

01. **2** What does the speaker dislike about the app?

[1 mark]

A	It is difficult to use.
B	Sometimes it is quite slow.
C	Sometimes it is wrong.

02. **1** What did the speaker find hard about giving up sugar?

[1 mark]

A	To stop eating cake.
B	To stop drinking sweet drinks.
C	To stop eating chocolate.



0 2 . 2 Which benefit does the speaker mention?

[1 mark]

A	She has lost weight.
B	Her skin looks better.
C	She doesn't have headaches.

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0 3 . 1 What is the speaker doing on Wednesday afternoon?

[1 mark]

A	He has a hairdresser's appointment.
B	He has a doctor's appointment.
C	He has a dentist's appointment.

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0 3 . 2 When does the speaker suggest meeting instead?

[1 mark]

A	Wednesday afternoon.
B	Thursday afternoon.
C	Saturday afternoon.

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Turn over ►



0 4 . 1 When does the speaker listen to music?

[1 mark]

A	When she's studying.
B	When she's running.
C	When she's working.

0 4 . 2 How does music help the speaker?

[1 mark]

A	She has more energy.
B	She can work harder.
C	She feels relaxed.

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Task 2

Ming and Amira are doing a presentation about working while they are studying at university.

You will hear each statement twice.

Listen carefully to the presentation and answer the following questions.

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Where does each speaker work?

[2 marks]

Ming _____

Amira _____

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Give **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of working when you're at university.

[2 marks]

Advantage _____

Disadvantage _____

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Ming and Amira talk about what they have learnt from working.

List **two** skills Amira has learnt.

[2 marks]

1 _____

2 _____

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Ming and Amira talk about what you should and should not do when you work while at university.

List **two** pieces of advice that Ming gives.

[2 marks]

1 _____

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Task 3

Imani is giving a talk about parkrun.

You will hear each statement twice.

Listen carefully to the talk and fill in the gaps in the notes below.

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parkrun as a hobby:

parkrun started in 2004 near London with _____ runners and is

now found in around 22 countries.

[1 mark]

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What is parkrun?

parkrun is a free _____ running event usually held in local parks.

People will meet and run up to 5 kilometres. It is open to anybody, including people

who have a _____, and is organised by unpaid volunteers.

[2 marks]



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Benefits of parkrun:

There are many benefits to parkrun. You can do _____
exercise and get fit. You will be outside in the fresh air, which will _____
your physical and mental health. Exercising _____ can reduce
stress and make you happier.

[3 marks]

1	2
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Taking part in parkrun:

It's easy to get involved in parkrun. Just go online and find your _____
event. The first time you go you need to _____ in advance, and you
will be given a barcode. If you can't find a local event, why not organise your own?

[2 marks]

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Turn over for the next question

Turn over ►



Task 4

Laura is being interviewed about her new career as a painter.

You will hear each statement twice.

Listen to the interview and then answer the questions that follow.

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At what age did Laura start taking painting classes?

[1 mark]

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Where does Laura paint now?

[1 mark]

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Laura describes some of the things she enjoys about being a painter.

List **three** examples she gives.

[3 marks]

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Laura explains why she thinks it's important to have hobbies when you retire.

List **three** reasons she gives.

[3 marks]

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Task 5

Listen to the following talk. It is part of a podcast about artificial intelligence (AI) and education.

You will hear each statement twice.

Listen carefully to the talk and then answer the questions that follow.

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According to the speaker, in what ways are we already using AI?

Write the correct letter in the box.

[1 mark]

A	To look for jobs.
B	To take better photographs.
C	To speak to people.

1 8

The speaker states that AI gives us 'knowledge in an instant'.

Explain in your own words what the phrase 'knowledge in an instant' means.

[2 marks]



1 9

The speaker explains some ways that teachers use AI to help students. How do teachers use AI?

Complete the table below. The first column has been completed as an example.

Write **one** answer in each box.

[2 marks]

Planning lessons	Supporting students	Marking students' work
To develop resources		

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The speaker states that AI has 'potential for misuse' in education.

Explain in your own words what the phrase 'potential for misuse' means.

[2 marks]

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What does the speaker talk about in their closing statement?

Write the correct letter in the box.

[1 mark]

A	The need to understand how AI can harm students.
B	The need to understand how AI can make teachers' lives easier.
C	The need to understand the best ways to use AI in the classroom.

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