

**Practice Test 2a**

**A- Language Functions**

**1) Finish the following dialogue:**

Adam and Faris are talking about Dr Mostafa Musharafa.  
Adam : Hi, Faris. What are you doing?  
Faris : I'm reading about Dr Mostafa Musharafa.  
Adam : ① .....?  
Faris : Dr Mostafa Musharafa was able to work out some really difficult problems in maths and science.  
Adam : ② ..... What else does the article say?  
Faris : It says here that he was the first Egyptian to become a Doctor of Science.  
Adam : That's a great achievement! Do you think that he was a genius?  
Faris : ③ .....

**2) Write what you would say in each of the following situations:**

- 1- Your mother asks you how you did on your English exam. Express certainty.  
.....
- 2- Your friend asks you if you met the writer who visited your school last week. This was not possible because you were ill.  
.....
- 3- You are in a busy street with your younger brother. You advise him not to walk too close to the road.  
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**B- Reading Comprehension**

**3) Read the following, then answer the questions:**

There have been hotels for hundreds of years, but they might be different in the future. Usually there are friendly people who write your name and address, carry your bags to your room and give you breakfast in the morning. In Japan, there is a hotel where there are no people working at all: all the work **there** is done by robots. When you first arrive at the hotel to check in, a robot tells you what to do: you should enter information about yourself on a computer. The robot is able to communicate in lots of different languages. You don't need a key for your room because a computer in the door will recognise you. There is even a robot in each room who is able to turn lights on and off and answer simple questions!

- 1- What is the main idea of the passage?
- 2- Why don't you need a key to your room?
- 3- What problems do you think you might have in a hotel like this?
- 4- *Check in* means .....  
a) report that you have arrived      b) sleep      c) wake up      d) park your car
- 5- The underlined word **there** refers to .....  
a) the hotel      b) Japan      c) the robot      d) the future

**C- The Reader**

**4) a. Match column A with column B:**

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| A               | B  |
| 1- John Manly   | ( ) a) saved Squire Gordon from the broken bridge.     |
| 2- Black Beauty | ( ) b) hit the horses hard.                            |
| 3- Ginger       | ( ) c) began to respect Squire Gordon.                 |
| 4- Merrylegs    | ( ) d) was Squire Gordon's helper.                     |
|                 | ( ) e) wanted to teach the boys a lesson about horses. |

**b. Answer the following questions:**

- 1- What made Black Beauty's journey with Squire Gordon and John difficult?  
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- 2- What happened at the bridge?  
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- 3- Who started the fire at the stables?  
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- 4- Why do you think that John was able to take the horses from the burning stables?  
.....
- 5- Why do you think that moving horses when there is a fire is very hard?  
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**D- Usage and Writing**

**5) Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:**

- 1- I gave ..... the message.  
a) my sister                      b) for my sister                      c) to my sister                      d) hers
- 2- There is a lot of traffic today. We ..... be late.  
a) must                              b) should                              c) might                              d) won't
- 3- The maths homework was very difficult. Were you ..... do it?  
a) could                              b) able to                              c) able                              d) can
- 4- It is ..... to take your passport when you go to another country.  
a) easy                              b) essential                              c) enjoyable                              d) enormous
- 5- Ola is always ..... She will do very well in her exams.  
a) noisy                              b) lazy                              c) hardworking                              d) exhausted
- 6- There are eight ..... that go around the sun.  
a) plants                              b) sails                              c) planets                              d) stars

**6) Rewrite the following using the word(s) in brackets to give the same meaning:**

- 1- I couldn't find the pen that you lost. (able)  
.....
- 2- Perhaps I'll wear a jacket today, I'm not sure. (might)  
.....
- 3- Adel might visit us tomorrow. (I'm not sure)  
.....

**7) Read and correct the underlined words:**

- 1- Dr Musharafa was an experience in maths.  
.....
- 2- You can use the internet on your laptop in this library because it has books.  
.....
- 3- Ahmed likes playing speed-ball. However, he enjoys playing football.  
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**8) Write a paragraph of seven (7) sentences about one of the following:**

- a form of technology that is most useful to you
- someone you know who is a genius

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**Practice Test 2b**

**A- Language Functions**

**1) Finish the following dialogue:**

Salem and Omar are talking outside a classroom in their school.

Salem : Who is our science teacher talking to in the classroom?

Omar : She is talking to the scientist who is giving us a talk next week.

Salem : Oh, yes, I forgot.

Omar : ❶ ..... It's essential.

Salem : Yes, you're right, it is very important. ❷ .....?

Omar : ❸ ..... I think he's going to talk about useful robots.

**2) Write what you would say in each of the following situations:**

1- A friend says that Athens is bigger than London. You don't think this is correct.

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2- Your friend thinks he saw a cat in the hotel. You are certain that cats aren't allowed in the hotel.

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3- A friend asks you for the best way to revise before the test.

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**B- Reading Comprehension**

**3) Read the following, then answer the questions:**

Many famous people were amazing when they were children. Mozart was able to play music when he was three and could write music when he was five. Judit Polgar is a great chess player. She was able to win chess games against some adults when she was twelve years old and she won chess competitions when she was fifteen. Karl Benz went to university to study to be an engineer when he was fifteen and he later invented the car. And the great scientist Marie Curie taught herself to read Russian and French when she was four. She could also help her older brothers and sisters with their maths homework! However, some people who do amazing things when **they** are children become *ordinary* adults: not all of them are able to become famous.

1- Why did Karl Benz go to university?

2- Who taught Marie Curie to read Russian and French?

3- Why do you think that many amazing children are not able to become famous when they grow up?

4- The word *ordinary* means .....

- a) not helpful      b) amazing      c) special      d) not special

5- The underlined word **they** refers to .....

- a) amazing children      b) some adults      c) scientists      d) famous people

**C- The Reader**

**4) a. Match column A with column B:**

A

B

1- Squire Gordon's friend [ ] a) didn't listen to Black Beauty when he called out.

2- The rider in the stable [ ] b) walked out of the stable when Black Beauty called her.

3- Ginger [ ] c) smoked a cigarette and caused a fire.

4- Mrs Gordon [ ] d) was amazed because John saved the horses.

[ ] e) went with Squire Gordon to visit some friends.

**b. Answer the following questions:**

1- Why didn't Black Beauty take Squire Gordon and John home the way they came?

- .....
- 2- Why didn't John drive Black Beauty over the bridge?  
.....
- 3- "And thank you, Black Beauty. You saved us." Who said this? What does it show about the kind of man he is?  
.....
- 4- Why do you think that the horses wanted to stay in the stables although there was a fire?  
.....
- 5- What happened when John came to take the horses from the stables?  
.....

**D- Usage and Writing**

**5) Choose the correct answer from a, b, c or d:**

- 1- ..... you speak English when you were six?  
a) Were                      b) Do                      c) Able                      d) Could
- 2- Eman sent ..... an email.  
a) for me                      b) me                      c) mine                      d) to me
- 3- Wear a coat. It ..... rain today.  
a) might                      b) must                      c) can't                      c) mustn't
- 4- Use the ..... cleaner to clean the kitchen floor.  
a) lawn                      b) mower                      c) vacuum                      c) oar
- 5- I'd like to ..... you to my house this Saturday.  
a) invent                      b) interview                      c) interrupt                      d) invite
- 6- That man has a very loud ..... I can hear him from across the road!  
a) voice                      b) face                      c) graph                      d) ability

**6) Rewrite the following using the word(s) in brackets to give the same meaning:**

- 1- I know that it is my pen. It is the only one that is red. (must)  
.....
- 2- Mona wasn't able to finish the project yesterday. (could)  
.....
- 3- Hassan is interested in reading. He also writes short stories. (in addition)  
.....

**7) Read and correct the underlined words:**

- 1- Leila could read when she was two. She is a graduate.  
.....
- 2- The children were bored, so their father listened them with funny stories.  
.....
- 3- What is the heavy of that big fish?  
.....

**8) Write an email about one of following:**

- an email to your teacher explaining why you would like to go to a STEM school
  - an email to your friend who is entering a writing competition
- .....
- .....
- .....
- .....
- .....