

**FOREIGN LANGUAGES UNIT**  
**ENGLISH PREPARATORY PROGRAMME**  
**PRE-INTERMEDIATE SAMPLE POP EXAM**

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**PLEASE WRITE YOUR ANSWERS INTO THE BLANKS AT THE BOTTOM OF THE PAGES.**

## LISTENING (1-15) 20pts.

I. Listen to three people talking about memories of school TWICE. Decide if the sentences are True (T) or False (F). Now, you have 30 seconds to read the questions.

1. When Frank was 5 years old, he used to wear informal clothes.

- a. True                      b. False

2. Frank says that half of the schools in Britain do not have a uniform.

- a. True                      b. False

3. Jo studied English, Geography and German in secondary school.

- a. True                      b. False

4. Rob had more than one class in the gym in a week.

- a. True                      b. False

5. Rob used to enjoy cricket more than rugby.

- a. True                      b. False

II. Listen to a lecture TWICE and circle the correct answer (a, b or c)

6. Bob Simpkins strongly advises us not to eat \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. white meat                      b. red meat                      c. both white meat and red meat

7. In this diet, we are not allowed to drink \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. special tea                      b. orange juice                      c. soft drink

8. The Magi diet teas have different flavors. One of them is \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. strawberry                      b. watermelon                      c. apple

9. For lunch, we can eat \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. white meat                      b. pasta                      c. soup

10. In the recipe book, fish is cooked in \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. high fat                      b. butter                      c. milk

11. Magi diet chocolate bars are so tasty, and they \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. are full of high fat                      b. have no sugar                      c. have low fat milk

12. In Magi diet, in the evening we \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. must eat nothing                      b. can eat a little                      c. don't have to eat anything

13. The Magi diet recipe book pack includes \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. red meat recipes                      b. juice recipes                      c. fruit tea recipes

14. Two packs together cost 40 pounds if we \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. buy both of them now                      b. wait for two weeks                      c. order them online

15. Normally, two packs separately cost \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. 60 pounds                      b. 50 pounds                      c. 40 pound

## **READING (20 pts.)**

**Read the newspaper article and answer the questions.**

**III. Complete the article called “Too Thirsty to Learn” with the sentences given below.**

- a) The children had the last words on the subject.
- b) Mrs. William’s son is in Year Five and she is happy with the result, too.
- c) The teachers say that students’ performance is a lot better at school, now.
- d) In Greendale Primary School all the students have a water bottle on their desk.

Some British primary schools are encouraging the children to drink more water. This is because scientists believe that our brains need water to send messages and make connections. They say that a bottle of water is the easiest way to improve children’s health, behaviour, learning and test results.

16. \_\_\_\_\_ They can drink as much water as they want and then fill up their bottle from the tap. Mrs Harris, head teacher; told our reporter, ‘Everyone needs to drink a lot of water — it’s good for our bodies, our brains and it’s free. Some children drink too many fizzy drinks. Soft drinks and colas have too much sugar — they are unhealthy and they cause discipline problems.’

17. \_\_\_\_\_ The Year Five teacher said, ‘After only two weeks, things were a lot better in my classroom. Now, the children concentrate better and they are more awake in the afternoons. In the past, when they drank sugary drinks, they were much noisier and didn’t behave well. Day after day, I saw tired and bad-tempered children. Those children couldn’t learn because they were thirsty. I also saw children going into the school sick-room with illnesses. However, I knew that a glass of water was the only solution for their illness.’

18. \_\_\_\_\_ She said, ‘I think it’s a very good idea. Water is better for the children and it doesn’t cost anything. I now give the children more water at home, too and I think they are healthier and happier. Another mother added, ‘When you see the Prime Minister speaking, he always has a bottle of water next to him. Why can’t our children have the same?’

19. \_\_\_\_\_ They say, ‘It is OK but I like cola more.’ ‘I don’t like water very much but drink it.’ ‘Now we drink more water we need more toilets.’ ‘I prefer fizzy mineral water — tap water is boring.’

**Answer the following questions about the text.**

20. Scientists say \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) water helps our brains
- b) children don’t have to drink water at school
- c) it’s easy to pass tests when you drink water

21. The Year Five teacher says \_\_\_\_\_ causes bad behaviour.

- a) thirst
- b) too many bottles of water
- c) too much sugar

22. The children \_\_\_\_\_ their parents and teachers about the water.

- a) are as unhappy as
- b) are happier than
- c) aren’t as happy as

#### IV. Read the text about youth crime and answer the questions.

Until two years ago, Clearing, Illinois was a quiet suburb of Chicago. But residents started to get worried when they noticed armed teenagers with guns on the streets. Those teenagers were giving gang signals and shouting at passing cars. Definitely, there was an increase in juvenile and gang-related crime. Then came a series of burglaries and graffiti messages on shop windows. When local authorities realized they had a gang problem, it was too late. Last December, they shot two 13-year-old girls outside their school as they were sitting in a car with two members of a local gang called the Ridgeway Lords.

Nearly all 50 states have recently passed laws. According to these laws, youths aged 14-17 may appear in a court for their offences. In about 25 states they have passed laws to punish parents for their children's behaviour. And in 146 of the nation's largest cities, they have taken decisions to reduce juvenile violence. When you look at the rise of violent crime among young people recently, it's easy to understand the problem. Over the last ten years, there has been a fall in adult crime in the US. However, crime rates have increased for youths between 14-17.

The law cannot send the young offenders to prison. The punishments change, the courts ask them to perform community service or they attend training programs, but there are still some young ones in youth prisons. At the moment, young criminals and adult criminals have to stay in different prisons. However, the Republicans in Congress want to change a basic principle of juvenile justice. The reasons are partly financial because having separate prisons for young people is expensive. **They** are also partly psychological as many Republicans think society is too tolerant on young criminals.

23. The residents were unhappy because \_\_\_\_\_.
- a) taxes increased      b) rents were too high      c) streets are unsafe
24. What happened last December?
- a) A policeman shot a young man.  
b) The gang killed two teenage girls.  
c) There were fewer crimes
25. What is "the Ridgeway Lords"?
- a) a gang      b) a town      c) a prison
26. What does **They** in paragraph 3 refer to?
- a) the republicans      b) adult criminals      c) reasons
27. Young people cannot go to prison.
- a) True      b) False
28. Young criminals and old criminals share the same prison
- a) True      b) False
29. Young offenders can have different punishments.
- a) True      b) False
30. Crime rates have been decreased among young people
- a) True      b) False



**GRAMMAR (40 pts.)**

**V. Circle the correct answer.**

31. Soap operas aren't very interesting for me. Do you like \_\_\_\_\_?  
a) it      b) me      c) them      d) us
32. \_\_\_\_\_ bag is that near the door?  
a) Whose      b) Who      c) Where      d) Which
33. Look at Carol! She \_\_\_\_\_ very smart today.  
d) is seeming      b) seemed      c) has seemed      d) seems
34. Bob's birthday party is going to be \_\_\_\_\_ the 9<sup>th</sup> of April \_\_\_\_\_ Dino's Italian Restaurant.  
a) in / on      b) at / in      c) on / at      d) in / at
35. Is there \_\_\_\_\_ sugar for the cake?  
a) many      b) any      c) one      d) a few
36. My friend's nephew \_\_\_\_\_ 2 meters tall and \_\_\_\_\_ a dark brown beard and moustache.  
a) is / has      b) has / is      c) does / is      d) is / is
37. Do you drive to work, \_\_\_\_\_ do you take the train?  
a) but      b) because      c) and      d) or
38. Look \_\_\_\_\_ at this picture if you want to see it better.  
a) close      b) closely      c) closed      d) closest
39. You have a bad cough. You \_\_\_\_\_ go to school today.  
a) couldn't      b) shouldn't      c) have to      d) might
40. It was an expensive car for George so he couldn't afford \_\_\_\_\_ it.  
a) buy      b) buying      c) to buy      d) bought
41. You \_\_\_\_\_ get up early tomorrow, because it is the first day of the semester holiday.  
a) have to      b) cannot      c) ought to      d) don't have to
42. My younger brother \_\_\_\_\_ my younger sister. He always gets low grades.  
a) isn't as hardworking as      c) is more hardworking than      b) is as hardworking as      d) isn't more hardworking
43. \_\_\_\_\_ you eat less, you cannot lose weight. You eat a lot.  
a) If      b) When      c) Unless      d) After
44. If Bob \_\_\_\_\_ the exam, his dad \_\_\_\_\_ him a new phone.  
a) passes / buys      b) pass / will buy      c) will pass / buys      d) passes / will buy



**VIII. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs given.**

Dear Alice,

This is my second week in London. At the moment, I **(57)** \_\_\_\_\_ (stay) with my boyfriend, John, and his family. They **(58)** \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in a beautiful detached house near the city centre.

Everything is nice here except for one thing. The weather! In England, the weather **(59)** \_\_\_\_\_ (be) often rainy but today it is warm and the sun **(60)** \_\_\_\_\_ (shine). I am writing this letter to you sitting in a park. Lots of children **(61)** \_\_\_\_\_ (play) in the park so it's a bit noisy now, but it's still beautiful.

John's parents are very nice people. I hope you meet them soon. John's father is a film director. Yesterday when I went to their place, they **(62)** \_\_\_\_\_ (talk) about John's father's latest film. He **(63)** \_\_\_\_\_ (begin) his tenth film last week. He is still working on it on it. John's mother was a nurse but now she's at home all the time. She **(64)** \_\_\_\_\_ (stop) working two years ago because she had some health problems. She **(65)** \_\_\_\_\_ (not / go) to the hospital any more. John is happy to be here. You can easily see that. He was 65 kilos a month ago, but now he's 70. He **(66)** \_\_\_\_\_ (put) on five kilos, I think, this is because of his mother's meals. He is also excited about his new job at university. He **(67)** \_\_\_\_\_ (give) up his job in high school last week to get this job.

I **(68)** \_\_\_\_\_ (not / see) many places yet because John and I are very busy with the wedding preparations. As you know, we **(69)** \_\_\_\_\_ (get) married on the 25<sup>th</sup> of June. We only visited the National Art Gallery two days ago. Tomorrow, we **(70)** \_\_\_\_\_ (go) horse riding. I'm really excited about it. I hope I have a chance to see more of London before we get married.

See you soon,

Erica

\_\_\_\_\_ / 21 pts.

**IX. WRITING (10 pts.)**

**Instructions: Write about your last holiday in one paragraph. You should include the answers to the following questions in your paragraph. (Write between 80 - 100 words.)**

- **What was your hotel like?**
- **What did you do there?**
- **Who were you with?**
  - **What places did you visit?**
  - **What were the restaurants like?**
  - **What were the people like?**
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