



# Alavi Bilingual Junior High Schools

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## Midterm Exam

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Level: Solutions Pre-Intermediate

Student's Name:

### 1 Complete the sentences. Use the past simple or past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- The boy \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) on a bench in the park \_\_\_\_\_ (read) a book.
- The man \_\_\_\_\_ (take) my handbag while I \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) in the restaurant.
- The policeman \_\_\_\_\_ (notice) the blood on the floor when he first \_\_\_\_\_ (enter) the room.
- I \_\_\_\_\_ (try) to sleep when the doorbell \_\_\_\_\_ (ring).
- The accident happened because the man \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) and \_\_\_\_\_ (talk) on his mobile phone at the same time.
- When I \_\_\_\_\_ (reach) the other side of the lake, I \_\_\_\_\_ (feel) safe.
- While I \_\_\_\_\_ (do) my English exam, I \_\_\_\_\_ (decide) to ask for a drink.
- I \_\_\_\_\_ (see) the money on the ground as I \_\_\_\_\_ (walk) to school.
- They \_\_\_\_\_ (start) climbing very early in the morning because they \_\_\_\_\_ (want) to reach the top by midday.
- I \_\_\_\_\_ (sprain) my ankle while I \_\_\_\_\_ (play) basketball.

Mark: \_\_\_ / 10

### 2 Read the text and find eight mistakes (an unnecessary word, a word missing or an incorrect word). Circle the mistakes and write the corrections. There are no mistakes in two of the lines.

The sun was shining and Tom was having a lovely time fishing,	1 _____
when suddenly he realising there was a handbag in the middle of the river.	2 _____
On the other side of the river, a woman trying to get the bag with her umbrella.	3 _____
While Tom saw the woman was having trouble, he decided to help her.	4 _____
He used his walking pole to try to get the handbag, but that not work.	5 _____
So he took off his shoes, did climbed into the river and swam across to the bag.	6 _____
Then he was threw the bag across the river to the woman.	7 _____
She caught the bag and checked that all her things was in it.	8 _____
Then she take out a ten pound note and folded it so that it looked like a boat.	9 _____
Shortly afterwards, she put the little boat on the river and it sailed across to Tom.	10 _____

Mark: \_\_\_ / 10

### 3 Replace the simple adjectives in brackets with extreme adjectives. The first letter of each extreme adjective has been given.

- Watching the BASE jumpers land safely in the valley was f \_\_\_\_\_ (very good).
- After we had walked 50 km across the desert, I was s \_\_\_\_\_ (very hungry).
- The place where we stayed when we were hiking was f \_\_\_\_\_ (very dirty).
- That meal we had at the Chinese restaurant last night was d \_\_\_\_\_ (very tasty).
- The brown bear that was walking towards us looked e \_\_\_\_\_ (very big).
- What we could see from the top of the mountain was a \_\_\_\_\_ (very surprising).

Mark: \_\_\_ / 6

**4 Complete the sentences with the correct words. The first letter of each word has been given.**

- 1 Nauru is a small rock island in the Pacific O\_ \_ \_ \_ , almost 4,000 km from Australia.
- 2 Primrose H\_ \_ \_ in Regent's Park is only 78 m high, but you can get a great view of London from the top!
- 3 When Mount Vesuvius – the v\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ – erupted in 79 AD, it destroyed the towns of Pompeii and Herculaneum.
- 4 Tower Bridge across the R\_ \_ \_ \_ Thames in London is a famous tourist attraction.
- 5 Some of the trees in the Black F\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ are very old.
- 6 Parliament Street in the city of Exeter, England, is so n\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ that two people can't walk together at the same time.
- 7 Loch Ness in Scotland is a very d\_ \_ \_ lake – it's over 226 m from the surface to the bottom!
- 8 The Nile is 6,853 km long, but only 2.8 km w\_ \_ \_ , from shore to shore.

Mark: \_\_\_ / 8

**5 Complete the sentences with the words below. There are two extra words.**

boots dinghy life jacket paddles paintballing poles rope orienteering

- 1 I always take a long \_\_\_\_\_ with me when I go climbing.
- 2 When I went kayaking, I broke my \_\_\_\_\_ and had to use my hands to get to the edge of the river.
- 3 People who go kayaking usually wear a \_\_\_\_\_ for safety.
- 4 Good \_\_\_\_\_ are really important if you're walking a long way and you want to protect your feet.
- 5 When I went out to sea with my friends, I dropped my hat over the side of the \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ is a good sport to do if you like looking at maps.

Mark: \_\_\_ / 6

**6 Read the text and complete gaps 1–10. Circle the correct answer A, B or C.**

<sup>1</sup>\_\_\_ the centre of the photo there is a row of eight red kayaks on a river, with a teenager in each one wearing a yellow helmet. It <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_ like an adventure holiday and they're <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_ feeling excited about doing something on the water. There is a boy <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_ the left of the photo who is standing up with one foot in one kayak, and another foot in the next kayak. It <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_ as if he's trying to walk across the line of boats. I <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_ he's feeling quite nervous about falling in the water. <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_ the foreground there's a woman who is standing on the bank of the river. She <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_ to be the instructor. <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_ by her expression, she's feeling quite calm. This is probably because they are all wearing life jackets. <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_ the bottom of the photo, I can see the end of a paddle. It must belong to another team.

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|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 A At       | B On      | C In      |
| 2 A shows    | B expects | C looks   |
| 3 A probably | B quite   | C a bit   |
| 4 A in       | B on      | C at      |
| 5 A looks    | B shows   | C expects |
| 6 A say      | B expect  | C judge   |
| 7 A At       | B On      | C In      |
| 8 A looks    | B shows   | C seems   |
| 9 A Judging  | B Looking | C Showing |
| 10 A At      | B In      | C On      |

Mark: \_\_\_ / 10

**7 Complete the sentences with the modifying adverbs below in the correct order from the most exciting (question 1) to the least exciting (question 5).**

**a bit   a little bit   extremely   rather   very**

- 1 My grandparents won twenty-five million pounds on the lottery so I'm \_\_\_\_\_ excited!
- 2 My uncle is taking me on holiday for my birthday and I'm \_\_\_\_\_ excited!
- 3 I am \_\_\_\_\_ excited because I'm meeting my aunt for the first time. She lives in the USA.
- 4 We're \_\_\_\_\_ excited because we're playing in a band tonight.
- 5 My favourite film is on now so I'm \_\_\_\_\_ excited.

**Mark: \_\_\_ / 5**

**8 Read the text. Choose the correct answers.**

**Climb every mountain**

Stephen Venables' love of mountains began at nine years old on a skiing trip to the Alps. 'I was thrilled,' he remembers. 'It was actually far more impressive and exciting than seeing the Himalayas for the first time, because when you're nine it's all new and you don't know what to expect.'

From that moment, Stephen knew that he wanted to climb mountains, but he didn't realise then that one day he would be the first British man to climb Everest without oxygen. <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_ He was coming down from the top of the mountain when he was caught in a snowstorm. After years of climbing, he was prepared for this and he knew that the best thing he could do was wait for the weather to change.

'At first I tried sitting on a rock because rock is warmer than snow, but it wasn't completely flat. <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_ I did sleep a bit,' he says. 'They always say you should stay awake, but I was totally exhausted.' Fortunately, the storm passed, and Stephen managed to climb back down to his camp and enter the record books.

The Everest expedition wasn't Stephen's only difficult climb. In 1992, while climbing another Himalayan mountain, he fell 100 m, breaking both his legs. 'It was very unlucky that it happened, but I was lucky that there were five of us.' The group included Chris Bonnington and Stephen's good friend Harish Kapadia. It took them twelve hours to make camp in a safe place. Then two of the team went for help.

'I think that was one of the most wonderful moments of my life – finally being in the tent and realising that I could just lie back in my sleeping bag.' But Stephen didn't know that the rescue would take four days. <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_ 'On the last day we had a boiled sweet and we used the last tea bag so many times that it wasn't actually changing the colour of the water.' But luckily, the team managed to keep going until help arrived.

- 1 What did Stephen Venables do when he was caught in a snowstorm?
  - a He decided to sleep all day until the weather changed.
  - b He didn't follow important advice.
  - c He climbed down the mountain.
- 2 What is the writer's purpose in this article?
  - a To warn about the dangers of mountain climbing.
  - b To compare two different mountain ranges.
  - c To tell the story of a mountain climber.

**Mark: \_\_\_ / 2**

**9 Read the text again. Match sentences A–E with gaps 1–3. There are two extra sentences.**

- A It wasn't the first time that he needed medical attention because of his injuries.
- B By that time, there was almost no food left.
- C While he was climbing the mountain, he met the climber Chris Bonnington for the first time.
- D However, his record-breaking expedition in 1988 was not an easy one.
- E I really wanted to lie down so I decided to cut a ledge in the snow.

Mark: \_\_\_ / 3

## Writing

**10 Think about an accident you had recently. Write a forum post for an internet forum called *Oops!***

- Say where you were and who was with you.
- Give a short description of the accident.

Say how you felt at the time.

Describe how other people reacted.

Mark: \_\_\_ / 10

**Total: \_\_\_ / 70**