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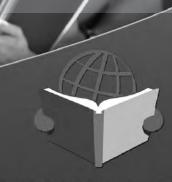
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# SELF-STUDY GUIDE

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# TEST I

#### Task I - Long reading

#### Questions: I - 5

- **I. D** 'Fast food, as the name suggests, is of course food that you make and serve fast.'
- **2. F** 'Anyone can stop at a fast food restaurant, order his lunch or dinner and quickly take it to go home (take-away) or sit for a few minutes and eat at the restaurant (dine-in).'
- **3. B** 'The first fast food restaurant opened in Wichita, Kansas, USA, in 1921...'
- **4. C** 'Today, you can buy different kinds of fast food in the UK, such as pizza, kebabs and chicken curry.'
- **5. A** 'Fast food tastes good, it's cheap and fast but it is usually very unhealthy. Doctors are very worried because they say that hamburgers, pizzas and fried chicken are not good for us.'

#### Questions: 6 - 10

- **6. B** 'Anyone can stop at a fast food restaurant, order his lunch or dinner and quickly take it to go home (take-away) or sit for a few minutes and eat at the restaurant (dine-in).' (para.2)
- **7. D** 'The first fast food restaurant opened in Wichita, Kansas, USA, in 1921 and sold hamburgers for 5 cents each. It was cheap, fast and very soon became a success.' (para.3)
- **8. E** 'However, many people in the UK think that they invented fast food. They say that the first time people bought fast food was in 1860, when the first shop selling fish and chips, one of Britain's favourite dishes, opened.' (para.4)
- **9. G** 'In the USA today there are the most fast food restaurants in the world and there are American fast food restaurants in over 120 other countries, too.' (para.3)
- **10. H** 'Anyway, I have to say that nothing is better than homemade food, so it's best not to eat fast food very often.' (para.5)

A is incorrect, as fast food is a very unhealthy choice of food, therefore not a good one. 'Fast food tastes good, it's cheap and fast but it is usually very unhealthy.' (para.5) **C** is also incorrect, as the fist fast food restaurant opened in the 1920s but fast food became known in the 1950s. 'The first fast food restaurant opened in Wichita, Kansas, USA, in 1921...' 'The name 'fast food' became famous almost 30 years later, in the 1950s.' (para.3) **F** is also incorrect as it is stated that in the UK people favour fish and chips rather than hamburgers. 'They say that the first time people bought fast food was in 1860, when the first shop selling fish and chips, one of Britain's favourite dishes, opened.' (para.4)

#### Questions: 11 - 15

- **II.** make and serve 'Fast food, as the name suggests, is of course food that you make and serve fast.' (para.1)
- **I2.** without getting out 'When somebody wants to take his food home, usually he goes to the 'drive-through' area where he orders and then gets his food without getting out of the car at all.' (para.2)
- **13. became a success** 'The first fast food restaurant opened in Wichita, Kansas, USA, in 1921 and sold hamburgers for 5 cents each. It was cheap, fast and very soon **became a success**.' (para.3)
- 14. fish and chips 'They say that the first time people bought fast food was in 1860, when the first shop selling *fish and chips*, one of Britain's favourite dishes, opened.' (para.4)

**15. very unhealthy** 'Fast food tastes good, it's cheap and fast but it is usually **very unhealthy**.' (para.5)

#### Task 2 – Multi-text reading

#### Questions: 16 - 20

- **16. C** Text C explains that people look for different things when they shop; this is why it asks 'What type of shopper are you? What do you think of when you go shopping? What is the most important thing for you?' (Title)
- **17. B** Text B advices shoppers about what they should think of when they go shopping. 'Advice for shoppers! What you need to be careful for...' (Title)
- **18.** A Text A talks about three different ways in which shoppers can do their shopping. 'Shopping malls' 'Neighbourhood shops' 'Online shopping' (Titles)
- **19. A** 'It's easy and fast and many young people like this way of shopping today.' (Online shopping)
- **20. B** 'Be careful when you shop online. The website might be false and you will lose money.'

#### Questions: 21 - 25

- **21. A** 'The best thing about shopping malls, though, is that after you go shopping you can sit for a coffee, have something to eat or even watch a movie or play some games.' (Text A, Shopping malls)
- **22. C** 'It's easy and fast and many young people like this way of shopping today.' (Text A, Online shopping)
- **23. E** 'Watch out for special offers! Some shops will sell things cheaper on a certain day.' (Text B)
- **24. F** 'Don't shop with a credit card if you can't control yourself. You can spend a lot of money.' (Text B)
- **25. H** 'You read fashion magazines and buy the things that they tell you.' (Text C, Being in fashion)

**B** is incorrect, as the reverse is true. 'Small shops in your area are closer to you and sometimes have different things from shopping malls. There you can find something unusual, like an antique for example.' (Text A, Neighbourhood shops) **D** is also incorrect, as the opposite is stated. 'It's easy and fast and many young people like this way of shopping today.' (Text A, Online shopping) **G** is also incorrect, as there are certain dangers when you shop online. 'Be careful when you shop online. The website might be false and you will lose money.' (Text B)

#### Questions: 26 - 30

- **26.** whatever you want 'Today, there are many shopping malls in cities and you can buy whatever you want: clothes, shoes, jewellery, electric appliances (TVs, computers...) etc.' (Text A, Shopping malls)
- **27. are closer** 'Small shops in your area **are closer** to you and sometimes have different things from shopping malls.' (Text A, Neighbourhood shops)
- **28. look around** 'Always *look around* before you buy something. You might find the things you need cheaper.' (Text B)
- **29.** a credit card 'Don't shop with *a credit card* if you can't control yourself. You can spend a lot of money.' (Text B)
- **30. fashion magazines** 'You read **fashion magazines** and buy the things that they tell you.' (Text C, Being in fashion)

## Task 3 – Reading into writing

#### Sample Answer:

Shoppers have many options. They can go to shopping malls, local shops or shop online.

In shopping malls, shoppers can find everything they want and do other things too, at the same time. In local shops, they do not have to go somewhere far and they can find different things. And when they shop online they can do it quickly and easily.

However, shoppers must be careful about some things. They must look around in shops before they buy something. Also, they must go on popular sites when they shop online. Finally, they mustn't use credit cards often because they may spend more money.

## Task 4 – Extended writing

#### Sample Answer:

Inside out

This weekend, my family and I watched *Inside out* by Pixar and Disney.

The story is about an II-year-old girl, Riley, who moves from Minnesota to San Francisco and has to get used to life there. Riley will get help from the five emotions that have always been there for her inside her mind: Joy, Sadness, Anger, Fear and Disgust. What will happen in the end? You'll see.

This film is amazing because it shows everything a child goes through as he/she grows up. The characters are fantastic and the ending is very moving.

Everyone should watch this film, children and adults alike.

# TEST 2

# Task I - Long reading

#### Questions: I - 5

- **I. C** '...we all have some kind of hobby; usually a sport or something that has to do with Arts and Crafts. But some people like completely different things.'
- 2. D 'Geert Vinck, 29, has a collection of around 12,000 tea bags.'
- **3. B** 'For many years, people in Northern Thailand have taken part in a quite unusual hobby. Every year, during the cool season, they catch a type of small insect and spend time training it to fight with other beetles.'
- **4. A** 'Today, there are still many artists all over the world that paint, decorate and even more interestingly cut shapes on the eggshells.'
- **5. E** '...she makes art from ordinary silver sticky tape. She makes shoes, clothes, jewellery, cards and even models out of duct tape.'

#### Questions: 6 - 10

**6. A** 'I mean, we all have some kind of hobby; usually a sport or something that has to do with Arts and Crafts.' (para. I)

- **7. C** 'Tea bag collectors also exchange tea bags with each other. There are tea bag collectors clubs with many members all around the world.' (para.2)
- **8. D** 'Every year, during the cool season, they catch a type of small insect and spend time training it to fight with other beetles.' 'And then, they enjoy the show!' (para.3)
- **9. E** 'Every year, during the cool season, they catch a type of small insect and spend time training it to fight with other beetles.' (para.3)
- **10. H** 'The only problem is that her friends and family don't really understand her hobby so they make a little fun of her.' (para.5)

**B** is incorrect, as tea bag collecting seems to be not such an uncommon hobby as one might think. 'Geert Vinck, 29, has a collection of around 12,000 tea bags. Surprisingly, he is not the only one. In Belgium, there are about 200 others who also have this strange hobby.' (para.2) **F** is also incorrect as the artist has to go over some steps and then is ready to create art on the egg. 'First of all, they empty the egg and clean its outside part. Then, they paint the outside and are free to do whatever they can think of.' (para.4) **G** is also incorrect as many more things than one would imagine can be made from duct tape. 'She makes shoes, clothes, jewellery, cards and even models out of duct tape.' (para.5)

#### Questions: 11 - 15

- **II.** completely different 'I mean, we all have some kind of hobby; usually a sport or something that has to do with Arts and Crafts. But some people like completely different things.' (para. I)
- **12. exchange tea bags** 'Tea bag collectors also **exchange tea bags** with each other. There are tea bag collectors clubs with many members all around the world.' (para.2)
- **13. start a fight** 'When the time to fight comes, they even use female beetles as a reason to **start a fight** between two males.' (para.3)
- **14. cut shapes** 'Today, there are still many artists all over the world that paint, decorate and even more interestingly **cut shapes** on the eggshells.' (para.4)
- **I5.** duct tape artist 'A seventeen-year-old girl from Arkansas, USA, has named herself a duct tape artist. The reason is, as you probably understood, that she makes art from ordinary silver sticky tape.' (para.5)

## Task 2 - Multi-text reading

#### Questions: 16 - 20

- **I6. B** This text gives useful information about more unusual types of holidays. 'Are you tired of visiting the same places over and over again every year? Our reporters asked around and found what you can do this year to make your holiday an unforgettable experience.' (Title and text below)
- **17. C** This text gives readers ideas about what they can do when they travel abroad and at the same time want to work. 'Travel and work' 'Volunteer!' 'Work abroad!' 'Explore the world!' (Titles)
- **18. A** 'As you will see, we offer so many different things that you will certainly find what is best for you. For young and old, with little or a lot of money, active or luxury fans, we have it all.' (para. I)
- **19. A** The travel agency offers an option also for families. 'Family Holidays family-friendly places to stay.'
- **20. C** 'Get to know even more than you can think of by working with people from all over the world.' (Work abroad!)

# TRINITY ISE Foundation - Reading & Writing - ANSWER KEY

## **Exam Preparation Section**

# TASK I Section I

#### Exercise I.A

Paragraph 1: C Paragraph 2: B Paragraph 3: A Paragraph 4: B

Paragraph 5: C

#### Exercise I.B

Paragraph I l No 2 No 3 Yes l No Paragraph 2 2Yes 3 No I Yes Paragraph 3 2 No 3 No Paragraph 4 I No 2 Yes 3 No Paragraph 5 I No 2 No 3 Yes

#### Exercise I.C

IA 2C 3B

#### Exercise 2

I Paragraph A

2 Paragraph F

3 Paragraph E

4 Paragraph B

5 Paragraph D

#### Section 2

#### Exercise 3.A

Paragraph I ΙF 2 T 3 T Paragraph 2 4 F 5 T 6 F Paragraph 3 9 F 8 T Paragraph 4 10 T HF 12 T Paragraph 5 13 T 14 T 15 T

#### **Exercise 3.C**

I Paragraph 4

2 Paragraph 5

3 Paragraph 2

4 Paragraph I

5 Paragraph 4

6 Paragraph 3

7 Paragraph 3

8 Paragraph 4

#### Exercise 4

6. A/D/E/F/H

7. A/D/E/F/H

8. A/D/E/F/H

9. A/D/E/F/H

10. A / D / E / F / H

#### Section 3

#### Exercise 5.A

I (more) unusual places 2 new (skills) 3 types of transport

4 need travel agents

5 search the internet

6. better or worse

#### Exercise 5.B

I Paragraph I

2 Paragraph 2

3 Paragraph 3

4 Paragraph 4

5 Paragraph 4

6 Paragraph 5

#### **Exercise 6**

I (more) unusual places

2 new skills

3 types of transport

4 need travel agents

5 search the internet

6 better or worse

#### Exercise 7

II travel destinations

12 will be interested

13 (much) easier

14 organise our holiday

15 different

# TASK 2 Section I

#### Exercise I.A

Text A

A boy's visit to the Active Sports Centre

Text B

An advertisement for Winter Paradise

Text C

Ideas for extreme sports that someone can try

#### Exercise I.B

I. Text Functions

IA 2B 3C

2. Text types

IC 2B 3A

3. Text topics

IC 2B 3A

#### 4. Specific information

IA 2C 3B

Exercise 2

16. B 17. C 18. B 19. C 20. A

#### Section 2

#### Exercise 3.A

beautiful very nice afraid frightened tiring exhausting

# TRINITY ISE FOUNDATION (A2) SPEAKING & LISTENING AUDIOSCRIPTS

#### INDEPENDENT LISTENING

#### **UNIT 1**

#### Exercise 1d - Task 1 - Audio Track 1

The map shows a village in the UK. There is only one supermarket. It is in the south of the village. There is also a small café. It serves dinners every day. The café is in the south east. Most children walk to school. The school is in the centre of the village. At weekends, they usually play in the park. The park is in the south west. The village has a doctor's surgery. It is open every day on weekdays, but the doctor sometimes sees patients at the weekend. The doctor's surgery is in the north of the village. In the north west of the village there is also a bank.

#### Exercise 2d - Task 2 - Audio Track 2

In today's lesson we're going to learn about Charles Dickens. Charles Dickens was a famous British author. He was born in Portsmouth in 1812. When he was a child, Charles left school and worked very hard in a factory for three years. Then he went back to school. He wrote a lot of novels. He loved the theatre so he wrote plays, too. He also performed in front of Queen Victoria in 1851. He died in 1870. Now let's look at some of his books.

#### **UNIT 2**

#### Exercise 1d - Task 1 - Audio Track 3

This is a plan of the high school. The entrance is here, at the front of the building. The canteen is at the back of the school, in the middle, behind the hall. All students go to the computer room at least once a week. The computer room is in the top right-hand corner of the building. The science lab is in the bottom right-hand corner of the plan. The library is in the bottom left-hand corner. You can borrow books there. The toilets are on the left, opposite the hall and next to the library.

#### Exercise 2d - Task 2 - Audio Track 4

I'm going to tell you some interesting facts about dolphins. Dolphins are mammals. They are very clever. They live in groups of 10 to 12. They can swim up to 260 metres down, under water. They can't breathe under the water, but they can stay there for up to 15 minutes. Dolphins use sound to find food. They can see very well in the water and out of the water too. They can hear sounds 10 times better than people. There are more than 40 types of dolphins. For homework, please try and find out more information about dolphins.

#### **UNIT 3**

#### Exercise 1d - Task 1 - Audio Track 5

This is a map of the garden centre. Park your car in the car park at the front of the garden centre. When you enter the shop, you first see the checkouts. They are in the middle of the garden centre. It's a good idea to buy the plants first and then the pots. The vegetable plants are in the bottom left-hand corner. The flower plants are on the left. You can find pots for your plants at the right of the building. There are statues to decorate your garden in the bottom right-hand corner of the shop.

#### Exercise 2d - Task 2 - Audio Track 6

Has anyone got roses in their garden? Well, today I'm going to tell you something about roses. The rose is also called "the queen of flowers". There are over 100 species of the rose. Most roses first came from Asia. People grow roses in their gardens. Some types of roses smell very nice. People use these in perfumes. The fruit of the rose has a lot of vitamin C, so people use it to make sweets. People also use the rose to show how they feel. For example, red is the symbol of love, and yellow shows friendship.

#### **UNIT 4**

#### Exercise 1d - Task 1 - Audio Track 7

This is a map of the island. The boat will leave you in the west part of the island. In the north west there is a beautiful lake with fish. In the north part of the island there are green fields. In the centre of the island, you will see some high mountains with wild goats. There are some high cliffs in the south east. The best part of the island is the Magic Forest, which is in the south west.

#### Exercise 2d - Task 2 - Audio Track 8

The subject of today's lesson is the River Nile. Please listen carefully. The River Nile is in Africa and it is about 6,700 km in length. The ancient Egyptians called the Nile, the Great River. The Nile flooded every year between June and September. It rarely rains in Egypt, so the water from the flooded Nile gave life to the areas near the river. The ancient Egyptians lived and farmed along the Nile. They used nets to catch fish from the river. They also used the Nile to travel from place to place.

#### **UNIT 5**

#### Exercise 1d - Task 1 - Audio Track 9

This map shows types of transport near the college. The college is in the middle of the map. Go across the park and you will see the nearest bus stop. It is in the north. To go to another town, it's better to go to the bus station. The bus station is in the south. For those who prefer the train, the nearest train station is the College Station, in the north west. Taxis are also available at the taxi rank, which is in the north east. Finally, go west to hire a bicycle.

#### Exercise 2d - Task 2 - Audio Track 10

We're going to learn some facts about the invention of the aeroplane. In 1878 two brothers wanted to design a flying machine. The boys' surname was Wright. The youngest brother was only seven years old, and the oldest brother was 11 years old. On the 17<sup>th</sup> of December 1903, they piloted the first flight. It lasted only 12 seconds - but it worked! They made four flights that day and the final one lasted 57 seconds. So on the 17<sup>th</sup> of December, 1903, the Wright brothers became the first people to fly a plane.

#### **SPEAKING**

#### Unit 1

Exercise 1c - Audio Track 11 - My piano

**Examiner:** Can you play the piano? **Student:** Yes, I can. Well, I'm still learning!

**Examiner:** Can you play any other musical instruments? **Student:** Yes, I can play the guitar. The guitar is easier but I think I'm better at playing the piano. Maybe because I like the piano more. My parents say that I'm a very good pianist but I