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MODULE**1**

Reading comprehension and language awareness

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- Do not open this booklet until the exam begins.
- Mark your answers on Answer Sheet 1 [ΑΠΑΝΤΗΤΙΚΟ ΕΝΤΥΠΟ 1].
- Provide a single answer for each item.
- You have **1 hour** to do this exam paper

ACTIVITY 1

Take part in this quiz and prove to yourself that you are a caring and considerate person! Choose the best answers (A-F) to complete items 1-5. There is one option you do not need.

How well do you know yourself?

1.	When problems come my way,	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	When my friends need help,	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	If friends say I'm wrong,	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	When I'm going through a difficult time,	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	If a friend harms me,	<input type="checkbox"/>

Are you a
caring
and
considerate
person?



A	...I offer to do what I can.
B	...I try to forgive him or her.
C	...I ask them what they can do for me.
D	...I don't lose heart, knowing that happier moments will come.
E	...I try to solve them in ways that do not burden others.
F	...I don't get upset but I ask them why they think so.

Hip Clothes
for Trendy Kids
and Chic Moms-To-Be

lulu belle
baby boutique

ACTIVITY 2

2.1 Read the text below and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for items 6-7.

6. This text tells readers about Spain’s
 A. problems. B. progress. C. customs.
7. This text will probably make readers want to
 A. visit Spain. B. read Spanish history. C. buy Spanish products.



Spain is changing fast: as the rest of the world discovers Spain, its economy is growing rapidly. Culture in Seville, beaches in Menorca, partying in Madrid, romance in Barcelona. Spain seems to have it all and the world knows it.

But up until the mid 70s it was a different story. The country was only just beginning to recover from the Franco dictatorship, and was on the road to democracy. It’s a country that has come a long way in a short time. Spaniards are now 75% richer than they were 30 years ago and their economy has grown faster than the

European average for more than ten years.

Since the 1970s northern Europeans have been rushing to Spain’s beaches, turning small Spanish fishing villages into huge holiday resorts, complete with 15-storey hotels and endless leisure and entertainment centres. Families have sold their small farms for tourist development, making families rich overnight.

Tourism has developed mostly in coastal areas, allowing much of the interior to remain untouched. Today, more and more visitors leave the well-worn tourist paths and discover an older and more authentic Spain. Take a drive outside a coastal resort like Benidorm and you’ll soon find yourself on tiny mountain roads, surrounded by beautiful pine forests.



2.2 Read the text again and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for items 8-11.

8. Why does Spain attract so many visitors? Because
 A. you can see and do a lot there. B. people feel free there. C. it's a rich country.
9. When did Spain's political system change?
 A. Only ten years ago. B. About forty years ago. C. Two centuries ago.
10. What has become more popular in Spain recently?
 A. Its high buildings. B. Its pretty villages. C. Its water sports facilities.
11. What has happened to Spanish farmers?
 A. They have opened hotels. B. They have made lots of money. C. They have bigger farms.

2.3 Read the text again and decide if the following statements (12-15) are True (A), False (B), or Not stated (C).

STATEMENTS		A	B	C
		TRUE	FALSE	NOT STATED
12.	Spain has changed a lot in recent years.			
13.	Holidays in Spain are cheaper than in other European countries.			
14.	Spaniards are richer than they used to be.			
15.	Benidorm is on the mountains.			

ACTIVITY 3

Read the text below and for each gap (16-22) choose the best option (A-H). Use each option only once. There is one option you do not need.

A. when	B. once upon a time	C. and	D. but
E. after a while	F. than	G. firstly	H. nowadays

Little Red Riding Hood

(16)_____, there was a big bad wolf waiting in a dark forest for a little girl to come along carrying a basket of food to her grandmother. (17)_____, a little girl did come along and she was carrying a basket of food. 'Are you carrying that basket to your grandmother?' asked the wolf. The little girl said yes, she was. So the wolf asked her where her grandmother lived.



The little girl told him about it (18)_____ he disappeared into the woods.

(19)_____ the little girl opened the door of her grandmother's house, she saw that there was somebody in bed with a nightcap and nightgown on. She had approached no nearer (20)_____ twenty-five feet from the bed when she saw that it was not her grandmother (21)_____ the wolf, for even in a nightcap a wolf does not look any more like your grandmother than the Metro-Goldwyn lion looks like Calvin Coolidge. So the little girl took a pistol out of her basket and shot the wolf dead.

This story tells us that (22)_____ it is not as easy to fool little girls as it used to be.



ACTIVITY 4

4.1 Read the text and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for items 23-24.

23. Present at the Special Olympics opening ceremony were
 A. police officers. B. American athletes. C. well-known people.
24. The Special Olympics Games were partly backed up by
 A. private sponsors. B. the athletes' parents. C. 5,000 state institutions.

SUNDAY, 23 APRIL

SOCIAL EVENTS

**SPECIAL OLYMPICS Hellas
 The 20th anniversary**



Special Olympics Hellas celebrated its 20th anniversary this year. The President of the Hellenic Republic Karolos Papoulias [25] attended the ceremony on Monday at 6.30 p.m., at the "Peace and Friendship" Stadium in Neo Faliron. He [26] addressed the 2,007 athletes and wished them strength and courage for the games and for all the other important moments of their lives.

The athletes [27] arrived from every corner of Greece and Cyprus to compete in the games that [28] took place in Marathon, Rafina, Nea Makri, Athens and Piraeus. Of course, their parents, their coaches and the Special Olympics volunteers were there to support them.

As Special Olympics Hellas President Yanna Angelopoulou [29] announced at a big press conference on Wednesday, 'this anniversary and the events bring us face to face with heroes. The 2,007 athletes of the Panhellenic Special Olympics are the real heroes of life!'

The games were [30] held with the support of the 5,000 Greek individuals and companies that [31] responded to the telethon, the TV 'marathon', organized by ERT, a state television station.

4.2 Match the underlined words in the text above (items 25-31) with the best synonym (A-H). There is one option you do not need.

A.	came	B.	carried out	C.	talked to	D.	happened
E.	made known	F.	was present at	G.	replied	H.	created

ACTIVITY 5

5.1 Read the text about body language and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for items 32-33.

32. The main aim of this text is to
- A. introduce the reader to body language. B. help the reader get a better job. C. show that handshakes are important.
33. The writer says that body language
- A. is less important than words. B. is the best form of communication. C. tells us a lot about what people are like.

Body Language: Basics

How you move and gesture says as much about you as what comes out of your mouth.

A firm or a limp handshake?



Jenny Smith, 34, an assistant vice-president at a bank in New York, was interviewing candidates for a position which required a person with good people and communication skills.

One candidate in particular stood out, but not in a good way. While she could have been very intelligent, her body language sent out very different messages. Her handshake was more of a finger shake, her eye contact was weak.

For Jenny, what the candidate said didn't matter because her body language said everything: she wasn't suitable for the position. The candidate may have been quite appropriate, but she didn't manage to get that across. So our body language may not do us justice. But there are some signals which are very common and are worth a thousand words.

For example, a handshake can say so much more than 'hello, nice to meet you'. The most important part of a handshake is palm-to-palm contact. It's even more important than how strong your handshake is. The palm-to-palm contact makes people seem honest: it seems to say 'I am sincere.' A weak handshake –when the palms don't touch– makes you seem unfriendly, insincere.

But people sometimes use body language to give us the wrong impression. Somebody who has a firm handshake may be pretending to be sincere, and somebody with a weak handshake may just be a bit shy.

Body language can also be overdone. While eye contact gives an impression of friendliness, too much eye contact or eye contact which is too intense can make us feel uncomfortable.



5.2 Read the text again and choose the best answers (A, B, or C) for items 34-40.

34. A firm handshake is viewed as a sign of
 A. sincerity. B. weakness. C. shyness.
35. Jenny Smith, who's mentioned in the text, is
 A. a good communicator. B. an employer. C. an expert in body language.
36. The candidate for the job failed because
 A. she wasn't clever enough. B. she said the wrong things. C. she had bad body language.
37. When you shake someone's hand you should
 A. say 'hello' at the same time. B. hold their hand tight. C. make good contact with their hand.
38. The text says that a person who has a firm handshake
 A. wants something from you. B. is probably sincere. C. is flirting with you.
39. When can eye contact be a problem?
 A. When it is too friendly. B. When it lasts too long. C. When we do not feel relaxed.
40. Our body language
 A. says a lot about us. B. tells us who we are. C. tells people what we're thinking.

5.3 The words in Column A are from the text about body language. Change them so that they can complete sentences 41-45 in Column B below.






COLUMN A	COLUMN B	
person	41.	She has a very pleasant _____.
intelligent	42.	He writes with _____ and humour.
different	43	What's the _____ between talent and genius?
strong	44	He has twice the _____ of someone his age and half the body fat.
honest	45.	Remember that _____ is the basis of every healthy relationship.

ACTIVITY 6

Fill in the gaps in items 46-50 with ONE word so that the instructions make sense.

Do you know the road traffic signs?

What do these signs mean? You need to know if you are going to be a safe driver. Prove that you know them. We have written the first letter of each word for you.

	<p>46.</p>	<p>This sign means road w_____ ahead. Be careful!</p>
	<p>47.</p>	<p>If you see this it means you are not allowed to t_____ right.</p>
	<p>48.</p>	<p>When you see this sign there is a speed limit of 30 k_____ an hour.</p>
	<p>49.</p>	<p>When you see this sign outside a garage, it means that you are not allowed to p_____ there.</p>
	<p>50.</p>	<p>This sign means no entry. You cannot drive a car into this road but you can ride your b_____.</p>

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