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LEVEL A (A1 & A2)

MODULE 1 READING COMPREHENSION

2019 A

ATTENTION

- Don't open this booklet until the exam begins.
- Try to answer all 50 questions.
- Provide ONE answer for each item.
- You have **1 hour and 5 minutes** to complete this exam.

ΠΡΟΣΟΧΗ

- Μην ανοίξεις το τευχίδιο πριν από την έναρξη της εξέτασης.
- Προσπάθησε να απαντήσεις και στα 50 ερωτήματα.
- Δώσε ΜΙΑ ΜΟΝΟ ΑΠΑΝΤΗΣΗ σε κάθε ερώτημα.
- Διάρκεια της εξέτασης: **1 ώρα και 5 λεπτά.**

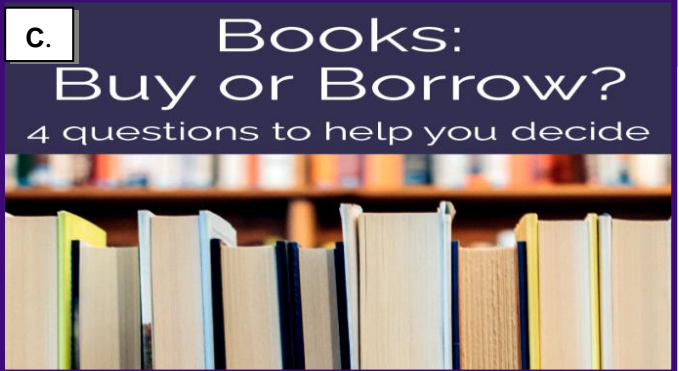
PART A - CHOICE ITEMS

ACTIVITY 1

Match advertising statements 1a-5a with pictures A-E as in the example.

Αντιστοίχισε τις διαφημιστικές φράσεις 1a-5a με τις εικόνες Α-Ε όπως στο παράδειγμα.

Advertisements	
EX.	Plan your holiday now. A romantic trip to Greece in September. Fly Aegean from 130 €.
1a.	Come to your local library and enjoy reading all day long!
2a.	Take a vacation now. You don't need a hotel. Visit our wonderful country and enjoy nature just you and your loved ones!
3a.	The M&B stores are waiting for you this week with the greatest sales ever!
4a.	Travel in your imagination. Your local art centre is offering painting classes to young people for just 30 € a year!
5a.	Rent a boat for just 70 cents an hour and enjoy Lake Erie and all it has to offer – fishing and more!



ACTIVITY 2

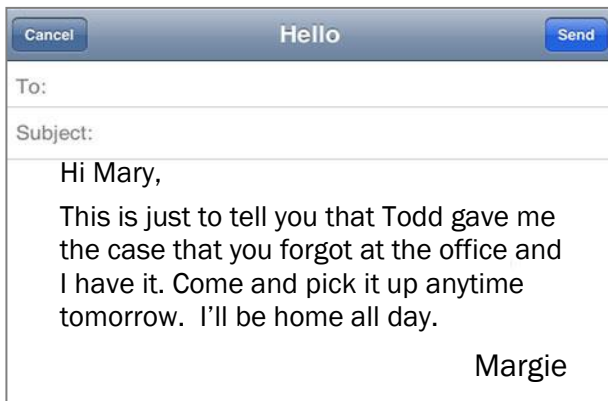
What do the messages say?

Match texts 6a-10a, with options A-F as in the example.

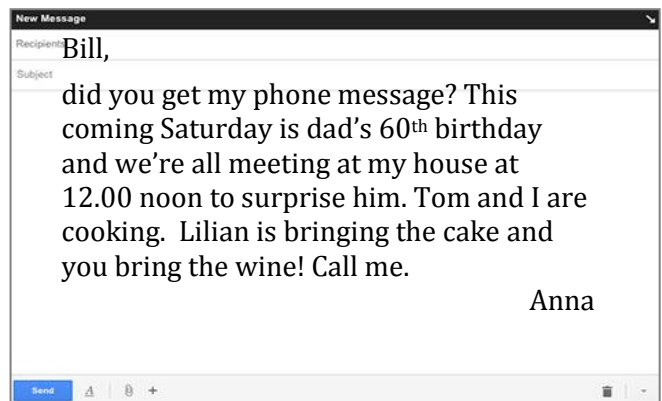
Τι λένε τα μηνύματα; Αντιστοιχίσε τα κείμενα 6a-10a με τις επιλογές A-F όπως στο παράδειγμα.

A.	That their plane will arrive late in the afternoon.	B.	That the kids will be working until later this evening.	C.	That she's going to the children's exhibition alone.
D.	That they're having a party for their father.	E.	That she can come pick up her briefcase.	F.	That their father doesn't have a Problem.

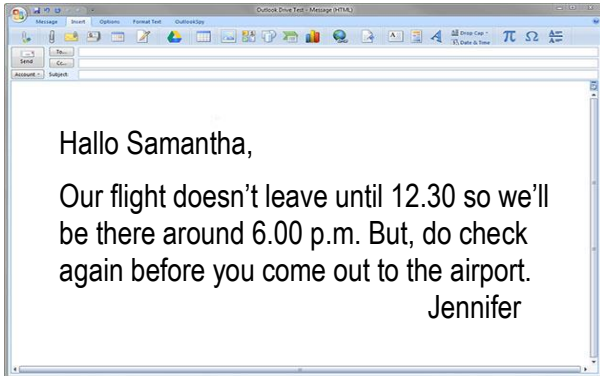
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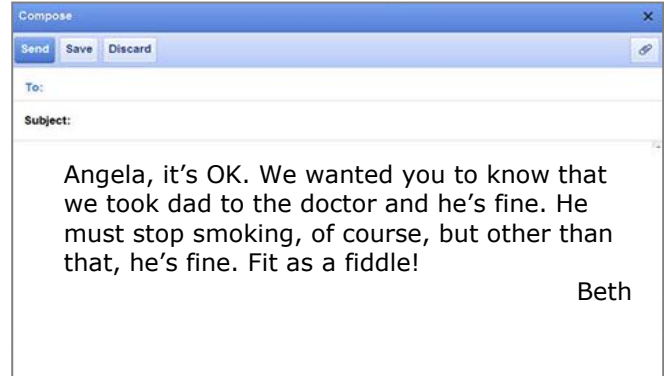
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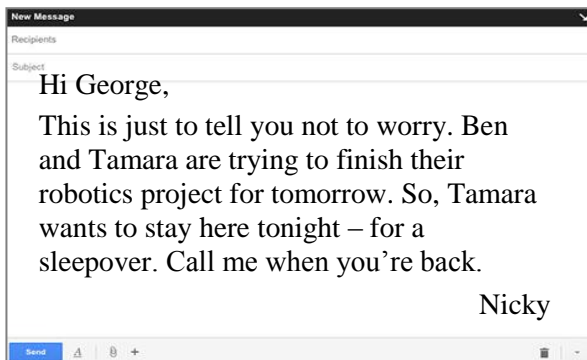
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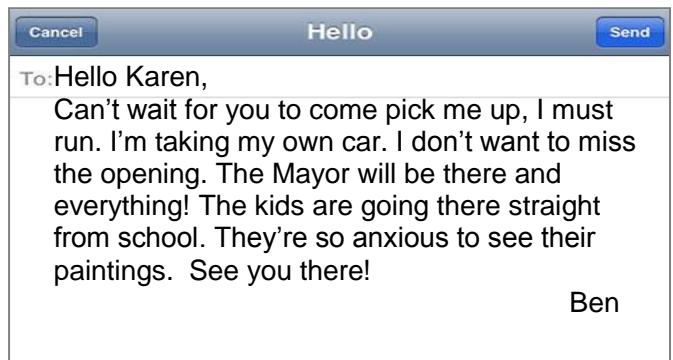
8a.



9a.



10a.



ACTIVITY 3

Read the text below and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for items 11a-15a.

Διάβασε το παρακάτω κείμενο και διάλεξε την πιο σωστή απάντηση (A, B, or C) για τις ερωτήσεις 11a-15a.

- 11a. Οι παρακάτω οδηγίες είναι χρήσιμες
A. στο ευρύ κοινό. B. μόνο σε παιδιά. C. αποκλειστικά σε μαθητές.
- 12a. Μια από τις τρεις πρώτες οδηγίες (1-3) μας λέει να
A. ακούμε τους μεγαλύτερους. B. μην παραιτούμαστε εύκολα. C. μην ξεχνάμε τους φίλους μας.
- 13a. Μια από τις τρεις παρακάτω οδηγίες (4-6) μας λέει να
A. μαθαίνουμε από τα λάθη μας B. μην δίνουμε ψεύτικες ελπίδες. C. προσπαθούμε για το τέλειο.
- 14a. Μια από τις τέσσερις παρακάτω οδηγίες (7-10) μας λέει να
A. σεβόμαστε τους γονείς μας. B. είμαστε δίκαιοι. C. προσέχουμε τους φίλους μας.
- 15a. Μια από τις τέσσερις τελευταίες οδηγίες (11-14) μας λέει να
A. συνεργαζόμαστε με άλλα άτομα. B. μην κοροϊδεύουμε τους άλλους. C. αγαπάμε αλλήλους.

The most important things to remember in life



- 1) Always remember to be kind to your friends.
- 2) Don't give up on things that you believe in.
- 3) Learn to listen. It's more important than talking.
- 4) Don't give up hope. Keep it for yourself and give it to others.
- 5) Try to be as good as you can, not perfect.
- 6) Don't worry about your mistakes too much. Learn from them.
- 7) You need room for yourself. Give your children some room too!
- 8) Keep your friends close and your enemies closer.
- 9) Life is not fair, but we can try to be.
- 10) You can help yourself be the person that you want to be.
- 11) Never forget to tell those you care about that you love them.
- 12) Remember that none of us can do very much alone. We can do more with others.
- 13) Remember the power of saying something nice or doing something good.
- 14) Laugh and make others laugh. Humour is the best medicine.

ACTIVITY 4

Read the text and for each gap (16a-20a) choose the best answer (A-F). There is one word you do not need.

Διάβασε το κείμενο και για κάθε κενό (16a-20a) διάλεξε τη σωστή λέξη (A-F). Υπάρχει μια λέξη που δεν χρειάζεται.

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| A. kilos | B. movie | C. home | D. person | E. friend | F. role |
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The youngest Oscar winners and nominees



Adrien Brody is the youngest (16a) _____ to win an Oscar for Best Actor. He was only 29 years old. The Oscar was for ‘The Pianist’, a fantastic film by Roman Polanski. Brody played the (17a) _____ of the composer and pianist by the name of Władysław Szpilman. He learned how to play the piano especially for this film and lost many (18a) _____ to become like a skeleton because that’s how Szpilman was in the film.



Jackie Cooper almost won the Best Actor award in 1931. He was only 9 years old then. The (19a) _____ is about two kids trying to save a dog. Cooper played the role of Skippy, the protagonist. He helps his poor (20a) _____, Sooky, to save the dog.

ACTIVITY 5

Choose the best synonym (A-F) for each underlined item (21a-25a) in the text. There is one word you do not need.

Διάλεξε το σωστό συνώνυμο (A-F) για κάθε υπογραμμισμένη λέξη (21a-25a) στο κείμενο. Υπάρχει μία που δεν χρειάζεται.

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| A. discovery | B. facts | C. pupils | D. zero | E. lazy | F. critic |
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In the words of Socrates...

Socrates told his (21a) students this story:

In ancient Egypt, there lived a clever king named Thamus. One day a God called Theuth visited him.

Theuth was an inventor of many useful things: arithmetic and geometry; astronomy and dice. But his greatest (22a) invention was the use of letters. He wanted to tell the king about his invention of letters. Writing, Theuth said, will make the Egyptians wiser and it will help them remember better.



But Thamus did not believe this. “O my great God,” he said, “the inventor of something is not the best (23a) judge of his own inventions.” And the king continued: “Letters will make people careless. They will trust the written characters and not remember what happened. Written words, Thamus said, “do not give people (24a) truth, but something that is similar to the truth; people will hear many things but will have learned nothing; they will appear to be wise and will generally know (25a) nothing.”

Philosophy for everyone

ACTIVITY 6

Read the text and for each gap (26a-31a) choose the best word (A-G). There is one word you do not need.

Διάβασε το κείμενο και για κάθε κενό (26a-31a) διάλεξε τη σωστή λέξη (A-G). Υπάρχει μια λέξη που δεν χρειάζεται.

A. off

B. on

C. by

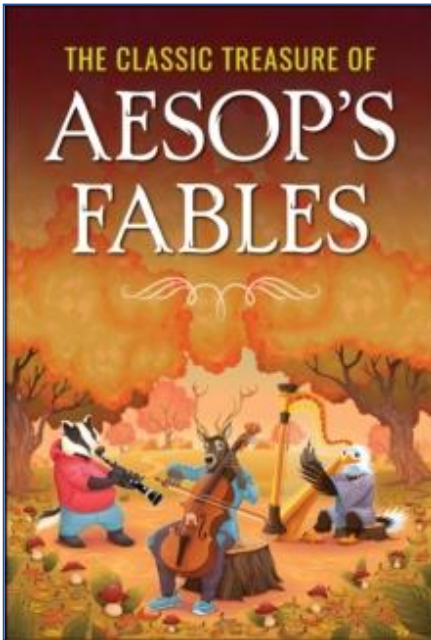
D. until

E. about

F. around

G. with

The Man, the Boy and the Donkey



Once, a long time ago, an old man and his son were going to the market with their donkey. As they were walking along, **(26a)** _____ the donkey next to them, a young man saw them and said: "You fools! What is a donkey for if not to ride on? Why are you not *on* the donkey?"

The old man thought **(27a)** _____ this for a little while and then put his son on the donkey, and they went on their way. But soon they passed a group of men and one of them said: "What a lazy boy! He lets his father walk, while he rides the donkey."

So, now, the old man told his son to get off the donkey, and he got **(28a)** _____ himself.

They hadn't gone very far, when they met two women. One of these two women said to the other: "Shame on that lazy old man. He's on the donkey, while his poor son has to walk!"

The old man didn't know what to do but, at last, he put his son on the donkey too. By the time they came to the market, both the old man and his son were riding the donkey.

The people **(29a)** _____ them were looking and pointing at them. The man stopped and asked what they were staring at.

A woman answered: "Aren't you ashamed of yourself to make your poor donkey so tired, with both you and your fat son on the poor donkey?"

The old man and his son got **(30a)** _____ and tried to think what to do. They thought and thought and finally decided to tie the donkey's feet and to carry it!

Everyone who saw them laughed.

The donkey, of course, wanted to come down and be free. As he was trying, the donkey kicked the poor boy **(31a)** _____ mistake, the boy fell over the bridge in



the river and the donkey fell too. The boy was saved because he could swim but the donkey drowned.

"That will teach you," said a wise man who had followed them: "Please all, and you will please none!"

ACTIVITY 7

Read the interview and match questions 32a-35a with answers A-E. There is one answer you do not need.

Διάβασε τη συνέντευξη και αντιστοίχισε τις ερωτήσεις 32a-35a με τις απαντήσεις A-E. Υπάρχει μια απάντηση που δεν χρειάζεσαι.

The Swedish teenager up for a Nobel Prize



Greta is a 15-year-old climate activist. In 2018, she went on a school strike every Friday to make the Government listen and do something about climate change.

Interview with

Greta Thunberg



32a. So, Greta, tell us, why don't you go to school?

33a. Do you think a small country, like Sweden, can do something to change the world?

34a. How do you feel about your nomination for the Nobel Peace Prize?

35a. Do you think there is hope for the future of the planet?

A. I'm happy of course because what I believe in is recognized as important.

B. There are lots of things people can do but do nothing.

C. Of course, there is! When this is lost, the planet will be lost too.

D. But I do. I'm there every day of the week and learn so many useful things. I do not go – I *strike* – on Fridays, to make politicians listen!

E. You don't need to be big to make a difference!

@GretaThunberg

Fridays for future.

The school strike continues!

#climatestrike

#klimatstrejk

#FridaysForFuture


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ACTIVITY 8

Read the text and indicate which of the statements below (36a-40a) are True (A), False (B), or Not stated (C).

Διάβασε το κείμενο και σημείωσε ποιες από τις πιο κάτω πληροφορίες (36a-40a) είναι Σωστές (A), Λάθος (B) ή Δεν αναφέρονται στο κείμενο (C).

MISSING
Lucille Bashar



Lucille Bashar

In stock online
£6.99
Paperback

Ratings: ★★★★★

A wonderful story about a young boy that disappeared – and nobody could find him.

Lawrence went missing at the airport, back in early 2000, and came back to his family after fifteen years, as a young man!

What happened in those fifteen years? Where did Lawrence go? Who took him? Why?

Lawrence was born in Beirut, Lebanon. He was only five when his parents decided to leave Beirut and go to work in France. His sister was twelve. Lawrence’s mother and father, both doctors, were going to work at the University Hospital Center in the town of Rouen.

Read this exciting mystery and find out what happened to Lawrence in those years and what happened when he returned to his family!

	STATEMENTS	A TRUE	B FALSE	C NOT STATED
36a.	The story is about a boy who is lost.			
37a.	Lawrence and his family came to Lebanon from France.			
38a.	Lawrence’s sister was very sad when her brother disappeared.			
39a.	Lawrence’s parents had found work in a hospital.			

40a.	Lawrence returns to his family as a young man.			
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PART B - SHORT ANSWERS

ACTIVITY 1

Find the word for each statement below (1b-5b), as in the example. The first letter and the dashes (as many as the missing letters) will help you.

Βρες τη σωστή λέξη για κάθε πρόταση (1b-5b), όπως στο παράδειγμα. Το πρώτο γράμμα και οι παύλες (όσες και τα γράμματα της λέξης) θα σε βοηθήσουν.


Horoscopes

 TAURUS	Taurus men will be lucky this year, and during summer they will (Ex.) t r a v e l to many places in the world.	 SAGITTARIUS	Sagittarius men and women are loyal friends. So, they will (1b) h ___ you when you need them.
 LEO	Leos who have their birthdays in July will (3b) f ___ in love this winter.	 LIBRA	As a Libra you have an open mind and you are artistic. You (4b) l ___ beauty and enjoy lovely things.
 VIRGO	You're a Virgo? Then you're a really nice person. All your friends (2b) k ___ this and sometimes they use your kindness.	 PISCES	You know that this year will (5b) b ___ you happiness, success and other good things, don't you? But you must believe in yourself!

ACTIVITY 2

Find the word for each phrase below (6b-10b). The dashes (as many as the missing letters) will help you.

Βρες τη σωστή λέξη για κάθε φράση (6b-10b). Οι παύλες (όσες και τα γράμματα της λέξης) θα σε βοηθήσουν.



I Love You

because


6b. *you are always there _ _ _ me.*

7b. *you care _ _ _ _ _ other people.*

8b. *you _ _ _ _ me hope and joy.*

9b. *you _ _ _ _ hard to get what you want.*

10b. *you _ _ _ _ _ to me.*



ΣΑΣ ΥΠΕΝΘΥΜΙΖΟΥΜΕ ΟΤΙ ΠΡΕΠΕΙ ΝΑ ΜΕΤΑΦΕΡΕΤΕ ΟΛΕΣ ΤΙΣ ΑΠΑΝΤΗΣΕΙΣ ΣΤΟ ΕΝΤΥΠΟ 1
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