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# **READING COMPREHENSION**

## **A1**

### **PROVA 1**

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Il documento seguente è una riproposizione delle prove presenti sulla piattaforma online, pertanto in alcuni casi l'impaginazione potrebbe risultare difforme dall'originale. Per ragioni di grafica alcune domande sono presentate in un'unica schermata, altre in più pagine.



## 1. TASK IDENTIFIER

TITLE	<b>English forum - Switzerland</b>
TOPIC	Personal information
READING BEHAVIOUR	Selective reading
GENERAL FOCUS	Reading for specific information and important details
CEFR LEVEL	A1
CEFR DESCRIPTOR(S)	A1.3 Can understand short, simple messages sent via social media or email (e.g. proposing what to do, when and where to meet).
TEST METHOD	Multiple Choice Questions
NUMBER OF WORDS	164
NUMBER OF ITEMS	6



### English forum - Switzerland



20.11.2011, 17:44

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**Tick the correct answer (A, B, C or D) for questions 1-6.**

**Only one answer is correct.**

**The first one (0) is an example.**

**0. Where does David live?**

- A  In London
- B  In Milan
- C  In Berlin
- D  In Vevey

**Q1. What's his surname?**

- A  Newbie
- B  Leiser
- C  Legend
- D  Smith



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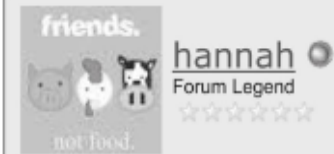
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**Q2. Where is he from?**

- A  Germany
- B  Great Britain
- C  Spain
- D  Belgium

**Q3. How old is he?**

- A  Twenty-six
- B  Eleven
- C  Thirty-two
- D  Forty-four



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**Q4. What's his job?**

- A  He is a blogger
- B  He is a Spanish teacher
- C  He is an engineer
- D  He is a university student

**Q5. When does he write this post?**

- A  In November
- B  In January
- C  In March
- D  In October



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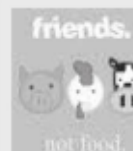
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**Q6. Who answers David's post?**










- A  Nobody
- B  His friend John
- C  Bob Baden
- D  Hannah



## 2. TASK IDENTIFIER

TITLE	<b>Park activities for kids</b>
TOPIC	Free time activities
READING BEHAVIOUR	Selective reading
GENERAL FOCUS	Reading for gist
CEFR LEVEL	A1
CEFR DESCRIPTOR(S)	A1.8 Can get an idea of the content of simpler informational material and short simple descriptions especially if there is visual support.
TEST METHOD	Multiple Matching
NUMBER OF WORDS	35
NUMBER OF ITEMS	7

**Park activities for kids**

A		F	
B		G	
C		H	
D		I	
E			

Read the sentences about park activities.

Match the pictures (A-I) with the sentences (1-7).

There is one picture that you do not need.

The first one (0) is an example.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
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At the park you can

0. play on the roundabout.

Q1. go on a treasure hunt.

Q2. paint a picture.

Q3. watch for birds.

Q4. walk your dog.

Q5. play in the sandbox.

Q6. do some exercise.

Q7. have a picnic.

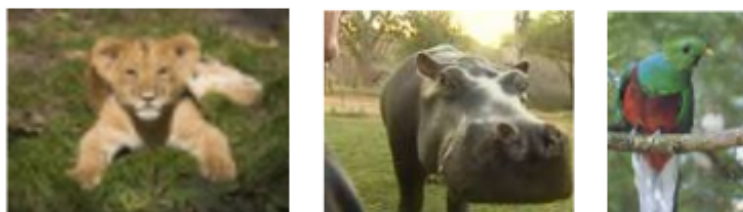




### 3. TASK IDENTIFIER

TITLE	<b>A letter from a pen pal</b>
TOPIC	Wildlife
READING BEHAVIOUR	Careful reading
GENERAL FOCUS	Reading for Main Ideas and Supporting Details
CEFR LEVEL	A1
CEFR DESCRIPTOR(S)	A1.1. Can understand very short, simple texts a single phrase at a time, picking up familiar names, words and basic phrases and re-reading as required.  A1.9 Can understand short texts on subjects of personal interest (e.g. news flashes about sports, music, travel, or stories etc.) written with simple words and supported by illustrations and pictures.
TEST METHOD	True/False/not Given
NUMBER OF WORDS	113
NUMBER OF ITEMS	7

## A letter from a pen pal



Hi,  
My name is Janet and I live in London. That is great because my family and I can go to Battersea Park Zoo. They have got a children's zoo there where you can meet real animals.

You can touch and play with the animals, while your parents relax in the café.

I like the baby lions best. But you can also spend some time with Whiggle and Piggie – two very small pigs from Asia – or you can chat with Wingy – a very beautiful bird from the South American jungle.

My little brother Pat always runs after the birds and laughs when they fly away.

Yours,  
Janet

**Read Janet's letter.**

**Are the sentences (1-7) true, false or not given?**

**Tick the correct option.**

**The first one (0) is an example.**

	True	False	Not given
<i>0. Janet lives in Manchester.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	True	False	Not given
Q1. You can touch the animals in the children's zoo.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q2. Parents can relax in the café.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q3. Janet likes the baby lions best.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q4. Whiggle and Piggie are her school friends.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q5. Wingy likes flying away.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q6. Janet has got a brother.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q7. Pat cries when the birds fly away.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



#### 4. TASK IDENTIFIER

TITLE	<b>Who likes what?</b>
TOPIC	Personal information
READING BEHAVIOUR	Careful reading
GENERAL FOCUS	Reading for main ideas and supporting details
CEFR LEVEL	A1
CEFR DESCRIPTOR(S)	A1.1. Can understand very short, simple texts a single phrase at a time, picking up familiar names, words and basic phrases and re-reading as required.  A1.9 Can understand short texts on subjects of personal interest (e.g. news flashes about sports, music, travel, or stories etc.) written with simple words and supported by illustrations and pictures.
TEST METHOD	Multiple Matching
NUMBER OF WORDS	162
NUMBER OF ITEMS	5

**Who likes what?**

A	 GAISHAMAR, 9	Gaishamar likes to play tag and hide-and-seek with her friends. She also likes to read.
B	 ALLISON, 10	Allison's favorite subject is math. She likes to do division and multiplication problems for fun.
C	 JAHA, 8	For fun, Jaha plays musical instruments. He loves to play African music on his drums. He's played drums for over two years now. He also plays the violin.
D	 TEIRON, 10	Teiron has fun in his neighborhood, Harlem, where he plays basketball with his friends. Teiron wants to become a teacher and a basketball player when he grows up.
E	 MICHEDA, 10	Micheda loves to swim and play basketball. In the summer, she likes to go on vacations with her family.
F	 RAKEISHA, 10	Rakeisha loves her neighborhood because there's a playground where she and her brother can play. She likes to play basketball and go to holiday parties at the Milbank Center.
G	 CRAIG, 11	Craig loves to play football, basketball and baseball with kids in his neighborhood. But his favorite activity is going on the internet during computer classes.

**Read the texts about some students.**

**Match the texts (A-G) with the sentences (1-5).**

**There is one text that you do not need.**

**The first one (0) is an example.**

A B C D E F

**This kid**

0. likes to play football, basketball and baseball. **G**

Q1. loves to go to parties when school is out.

Q2. likes to go on holiday with Mum and Dad.

Q3. loves to play children's games.

Q4. is very good at music.

Q5. loves to play with numbers.

## Keys

### Task 1: English forum - Switzerland

<i>0</i>	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6
<i>D</i>	B	D	A	C	A	D

### Task 2: Park activities for kids

<i>0</i>	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7
<i>I</i>	H	F	A	E	C	G	B

### Task 3: A letter from a pen pal

<i>0</i>	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7
<i>F</i>	T	T	T	F	NG	T	F

### Task 4: Who likes what?

<i>0</i>	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
<i>G</i>	F	E	A	C	B