

B2 First Mid-course Test Answer Key

READING AND USE OF ENGLISH

Part 1

- **1** C
- **2** D
- **3** B
- **4** A
- **5** C
- **6** A
- **7** B
- **8** D

Part 2

- **9** since
- **10** So
- **11** in
- **12** like
- **13** be
- 14 if/whether
- **15** came
- 16 does/can

Part 3

- 17 endless
- **18** surroundings
- **19** fortunate
- **20** adventurous
- 21 relatively
- 22 extraordinary
- 23 pleasure
- **24** revolutionise/ revolutionize

Part 4

- 25 should not / shouldn't have lost your
- **26** was not / wasn't as high as / was lower than
- 27 cannot / can't tell the difference between
- **28** would have warned you about
- 29 have her photo taken by
- **30** having seen the site

Part 5

- **31** D
- **32** A
- **33** B
- **34** C
- **35** B
- **36** C

Part 6

- **37** B
- **38** E
- **39** G
- **40** D
- **41** A
- **42** F

Part 7

- **43** C
- **44** D
- **45** A
- **46** C
- **47** B
- **48** A
- **49** C
- **50** D
- **51** B
- **52** B

WRITING

Part 1 (Essay)

Sample answer

The environment is one of the most important issues young people are facing today because they will be living on this planet for the next 60 years or more. I strongly disagree that teenagers don't care about the environment. At home, they make sure their families are recycling paper, aluminium and glass. Having been taught about the benefits of reusing materials instead of throwing them away as waste, teenagers are more knowledgeable about the problem than their parents.

Animals, and endangered species in particular, are very important to teenagers, too. Many of them donate to environmental groups or join organisations such as WWF that work to protect animals in danger of becoming extinct.

Many areas of the planet need to be protected because useful plants grow there. Rainforests, for example, provide many plants that can be used for medicine. Without these plants, some diseases might not be cured. For this reason, many teens take part in campaigns that teach others about the importance of preserving the rainforests.

In conclusion, I believe teenagers are very concerned about the world around them



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and many are doing whatever they can to tackle the problems our planet is facing.

Part 2 (Email)

Sample answer

Hi Alice.

I'm sorry to hear about your problem. Sometimes, it's hard to keep everyone happy. I know you're a good person and wouldn't want to hurt anyone, so it must be a very difficult situation for you.

If I were you, I would talk to your best friend. You need to explain to her that you have other friends and that you enjoy spending time with them too. Does she have other friends or does she spend most of her time with you? If she hasn't got a wide circle of friends, she's probably feeling insecure. Reassure her that she's your closest friend and that she needn't worry about being replaced by someone else. Explain to her that if you don't go to the party, your classmate - who has done nothing wrong - will feel hurt. Why don't you suggest that you meet up after the party or the next day?

I'm sure everything will be fine if you have an honest discussion with her. Good luck with it and let me know how it goes.

Take care,

Tina

(Review)

Sample answer

Last week I went to see the band 5 Seconds of Summer. I had been looking forward to the concert for months, and, as soon as it was announced, I rushed out to buy my ticket. I'm glad I did because it was one of the best concerts I have ever been to.

The performance was amazing. The band played all of their hits and some songs from their new album too. They moved around the stage a lot so that the fans at the front could see them close up. There were special effects with lasers too and they were incredible.

The music was loud and everyone in the audience was dancing and singing along to the older songs that we knew. During the concert, a few fans were allowed to go onto the stage and dance with the singer. I wish I could have done that!

I really enjoyed myself.

Sometimes the music at a live concert doesn't sound as good as the recorded music, but at this concert it was awesome. I sang and danced non-stop! I would definitely recommend the band to anyone who is thinking of buying tickets.

(Article)

Sample answer

My family and I have been to lots of different places for our holidays. We usually stay in Europe, but one year we went to Florida and we have also visited Australia. However, the best holiday I have ever had was right here in the UK!

We went camping by the sea in Cornwall last year. It often rains in the summer, but we were really lucky and had great weather for our holiday. Of course, I went swimming every day, but I also learnt to surf and it was amazing. We had a barbecue every night. The food was delicious and it was fun cooking and eating outside.

I made a lot of friends at the campsite and that was the best thing about the holiday. Usually when you meet people on holiday, you never see them again because you live in different countries. But in Cornwall I met teenagers from the UK. I've stayed in touch with a lot of them and we've even met up since the holiday.

It was definitely the best holiday ever, and I hope we can go back again next year.



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LISTENING

Part 1

- B
- B
- C
- A
- C
- A
- B
- C

Part 2

- secrets
- product
- thousands
- good education
- a chef
- improve
- avoid
- 16 10/ten per cent/percent/%
- directors
- works hard

Part 3

- D
- H
- F
- A
- G

Part 4

- C
- B
- C
- A
- B
- A
- B