

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS
ASSET LANGUAGES
PRELIMINARY
LISTENING (WORLD OF WORK)
SAMPLE PAPER

Additional materials:
Answer sheet
Soft pencil (type B or HB)
Soft clean eraser

30 minutes

TIME Approximately 30 minutes (including transfer time).

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open this booklet until you are told to do so.

Answer **all** questions.

Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces on this page. Write these details on your answer sheet if they are not already printed.

Write your answers on the question paper.

You will have five minutes at the end of the test to copy your answers, in pencil, onto the separate answer sheet.

At the end of the test you must hand in both the question paper and the answer sheet to your supervisor.

Dictionaries must not be used.

Candidate Name _____

Centre Number	Candidate Number

This question paper consists of 7 printed pages.

Part 1

Questions 1–5

You will hear a man called John talking about his job.
Listen to him and look at the questions.
Choose the correct answer, **A**, **B** or **C**. Put a tick (✓) in the box.

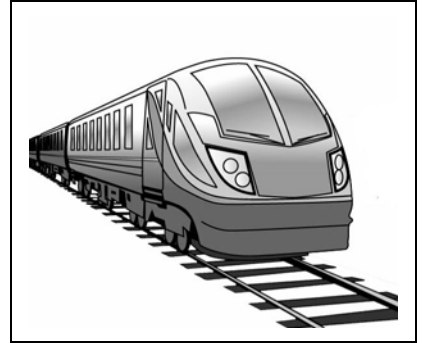
1 What does John drive for a living?



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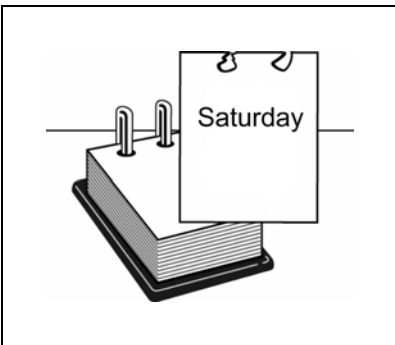


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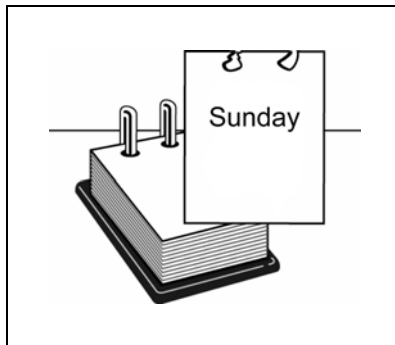


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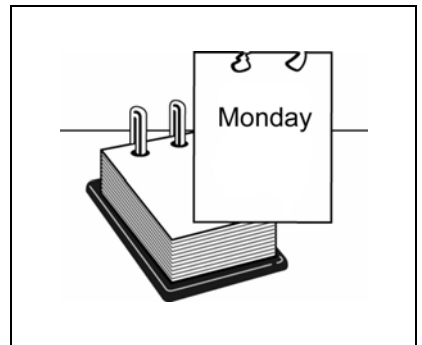
2 Which day does John take off each week?



A

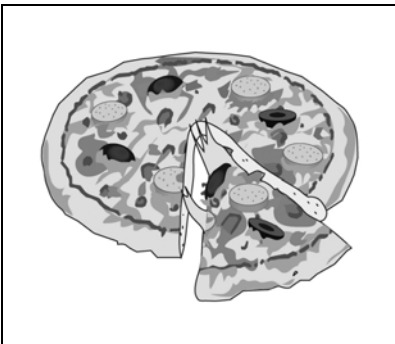


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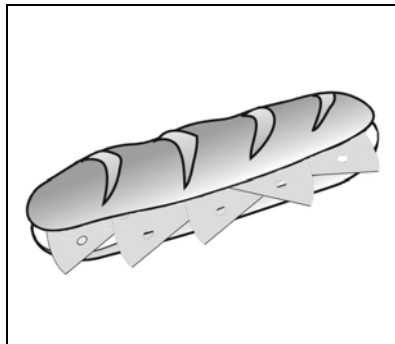


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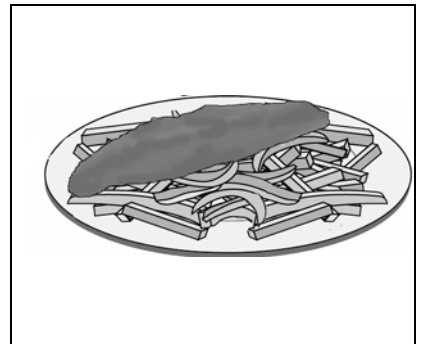
3 What does John have for lunch?



A



B



C

4 Which country do most of the tourists John meets come from?



A

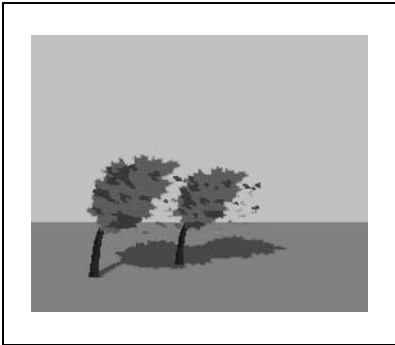


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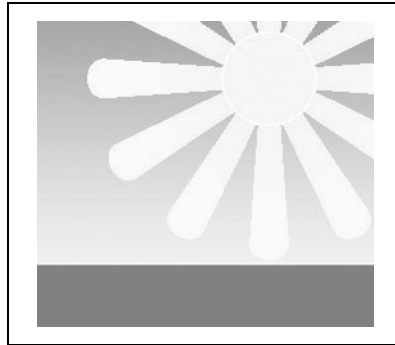


C

5 Which type of weather does John like best?



A



B



C

Part 2

Questions 6–10

You will hear five short conversations.

Listen to them and look at the questions.

Choose the correct answer, **A**, **B** or **C**. Put a tick (✓) in the box.

6 Why has the woman rung the helpline?

A she can't switch the computer on.

B she can't print documents.

C she can't access the internet.

7 What does the woman like about the house?

A the kitchen

B the bathroom

C the garden

8 What time do they have to leave for work tomorrow?

A 7.30

B 8.00

C 8.30

9 What tourist activity do the couple choose?

A a visit to a castle

B a trip in a boat

C sightseeing in the town

10 How much do the language lessons cost for employees?

A €125.00

B €75.00

C €25.00

Part 3

Questions 11–15

You will hear a store manager talking to a new member of staff.
 For questions 11–15 choose which answer fits each gap.
 Mark the correct answer, **A**, **B** or **C**, on your answer sheet.
 First, you have 10 seconds to read the notes and options.

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|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 11 A golf clubs | B swimming costumes | C ski jackets |
| 12 A Tuesday | B Wednesday | C Thursday |
| 13 A 56 92 45 | B 56 92 39 | C 65 92 45 |
| 14 A red skirt | B black trousers | C green T-shirt |
| 15 A social club | B gym membership | C discounted ski trips |

Part 4

Questions 16–20

You will hear Laura talking to Thomas about booking hotels.

For questions **16–20**, listen and match each hotel to the correct information by choosing a letter, **A–F**. There is one extra letter you do not need to use.

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|-----------|-------------------|--------------------------|----------|------------------------------------|
| 16 | The Crown Hotel | <input type="checkbox"/> | A | is too far from the train station. |
| 17 | The Garden Hotel | <input type="checkbox"/> | B | has magnificent surroundings. |
| 18 | The Swan Hotel | <input type="checkbox"/> | C | is very noisy. |
| 19 | The Regency Hotel | <input type="checkbox"/> | D | has very friendly staff. |
| 20 | The Angel Hotel | <input type="checkbox"/> | E | is too expensive. |
| | | | F | has no restaurant. |

Part 5

Questions 21–25

You will hear a job interview in which Anna interviews Pete for the job of secretary. Listen to their conversation and look at the questions. Choose the correct answer, **A**, **B** or **C**. Put a tick (✓) in the box. There will be some pauses in the conversation to give you time to write your answers. First, you have 15 seconds to read the questions.

21 What is Pete doing at the moment?

A He works in an office.

B He is unemployed.

C He is a student.

22 Where did Pete see the advert for the job?

A on a website

B at a recruitment agency

C in a newspaper

23 Pete wants to work for this company because

A he lives nearby.

B the job fits his skills.

C it offers good future prospects.

24 Pete says his best quality is

A working in a team.

B learning quickly.

C being organised.

25 When can he start the new job?

A tomorrow

B next week

C next month

R This is the OCR Asset Languages Preliminary Listening sample test.

There are five parts to the test. You will hear each part twice. For each part of the test, there will be time for you to look through the questions, and time for you to check your answers.

Write your answers on the question paper. You will have five minutes at the end of the test to copy your answers onto the answer sheet.

The recording will now be stopped.

Please ask any questions now, because you must not speak during the *test*.

PAUSE 00'03''

R Now open your question paper and look at Part One.
You will hear a man called John talking about his job.
Listen to him and look at the questions.
Choose the correct answer, A, B or C. Put a tick in the box.

PAUSE 00'03''

[REPEAT FROM HERE]

R One.

M *My name is John and I'm a taxi driver. I love cars, so it's a great job for me.*

PAUSE 00'03''

R Two.

M *I can choose when I work as well, so I don't work on Mondays. Weekends are very busy though, so I work every Saturday.*

PAUSE 00'03''

R Three.

M *I usually make myself a sandwich in the morning and take it with me for lunch. It's cheaper than buying lunch from a café.*

PAUSE 00'03''

R Four.

M *I get to meet people from different countries. Most people seem to be German, as there are lots of tourists here.*

PAUSE 00'03''

R Five.

M *The only bad thing is when it is very hot, as there is no air conditioning. Rain is much better for me as I get more customers!*

PAUSE 00'03''

R Now listen to Part One again.

PAUSE 00'03''

[REPEAT PART ONE]

R That is the end of Part One.

PAUSE 00'05''

R Part Two.
You will hear five short conversations. Listen to them and look at the questions.
Choose the correct answer, A, B or C. Put a tick in the box.

PAUSE 00'03''

R Six. Why has the woman rung the helpline?

F *Hello, is that the IT helpline?*

M *Yes, what's the problem?*

F *I can't print anything.*

M *I see... try putting the paper in again. If that doesn't work then call back...*

PAUSE 00'03''

R Now listen again.

[REPEAT QUESTION SIX]

PAUSE 00'03''

R Seven. What does the woman like about the house?

M *This is the last house I have to show you.*

F *The rooms are quite small, but everything is clean.*

M *Take a look out of the window.*

F *Wow – what a huge garden! It's perfect!*

PAUSE 00'03''

R Now listen again.

[REPEAT QUESTION SEVEN]

PAUSE 00'03''

R Eight. What time do they have to leave for work tomorrow?

M *So, work at 8.00 tomorrow as usual? Shall I drive you?*

F *I've got a meeting in London so have to catch an early train.*

M *OK, if we go at 7.30 I'll take you to the station.*

PAUSE 00'03''

R Now listen again.

[REPEAT QUESTION EIGHT]

PAUSE 00'03''

R Nine. What tourist activity do the couple choose?

M *Hello, can I help you?*

F *Yes, we're here on holiday and looking for things to do.*

M *If the weather is nice I'd recommend a trip on the river.*

F *Great. What time does it leave...?*

PAUSE 00'03''

R Now listen again.

[REPEAT QUESTION NINE]

PAUSE 00'03''

R Ten. How much do the language lessons cost for employees?

F *Hello, I want to take Chinese lessons.*

M *The course costs 100 euros.*

F *Is there a discount for employees?*

M *Yes, it costs 75 euros because you pay 25% less.*

PAUSE 00'03''

R Now listen again.

[REPEAT QUESTION TEN]

PAUSE 00'03''

R That is the end of Part Two.

PAUSE 00'05''

- R Part Three.
You will hear a store manager talking to a new member of staff. For questions 11 to 15 choose which answer fits each gap. Mark the correct answer, A, B or C on your answer sheet. First, you have 10 seconds to read the notes and options.

PAUSE 00'10''

[BEEP!]

- M *Hello, I'm Mike, and I'm the store manager of 'Outdoor Clothing'. We sell clothing for different sports, from skiing to basketball. The shop is close to the pool, so we sell more swimming costumes than anything else.*

We open every day, and each member of staff has 1 day off per week. Your day off will be Thursday.

If you are ill, you should call us as early as you can. The number of the shop is 569245.

All staff must wear the green company t-shirt. But you can wear your own trousers, as long as they are dark blue.

We also now have a staff membership at the local gym – so I hope you like sports!

PAUSE 00'03''

- R Now listen to Part Three again.

[REPEAT PART THREE]

PAUSE 00'03''

- R That is the end of Part Three.

PAUSE 00'05''

- R Part Four.
You will hear Laura talking to Thomas about booking hotels.
For questions 16–20, listen and match each hotel to the correct information by choosing a letter, A–F. There is one extra letter you do not need to use.

PAUSE 00'03''

[REPEAT FROM HERE]

- R Sixteen. The Crown Hotel.
- F *Hi Thomas. Can you help me? I need to book a hotel for guests coming to the conference next month. Which one should I use?*
- M *Well, I've used the Crown Hotel before. It's very comfortable, but right next to the station. The noise of trains is very loud and you can't sleep.*

PAUSE 00'03''

- R Seventeen. The Garden Hotel.
- F *Oh, that's no good. What about the Garden Hotel?*
- M *That's very good value, but you can't get a meal in the hotel. And guests are always hungry after a day at the conference...*

PAUSE 00'03''

- R Eighteen. The Swan Hotel.
- F *That's true. Is there anywhere else?*
- M *The Swan Hotel has excellent facilities – internet in all the rooms, but it's £200 a night. So we're not allowed to use that hotel.*
- F *Oh, our budget is only £90 a night, isn't it?*

PAUSE 00'03''

- R Nineteen. The Regency Hotel.
- F *What about The Regency Hotel? It's in a very peaceful location, isn't it? Right in the countryside.*
- M *That's true, but it's 30 minutes in a taxi from the station. People don't want to travel that far.*

PAUSE 00'03''

- R Twenty. The Angel Hotel.
- F *Oh, this is difficult. Do you know any more?*
- M *Well, I'd recommend The Angel Hotel. It's in the middle of town, with an excellent restaurant. And everyone says that the staff are really helpful and friendly.*
- F *Thanks, that's great – I'll phone straight away.*

PAUSE 00'03''

R Now listen to Part Four again.

PAUSE 00'03''

[REPEAT PART FOUR]

R That is the end of Part Four.

PAUSE 00'05''

- R Part Five.
 You will hear a job interview in which Anna interviews Pete for the job of secretary.
 Listen to their conversation and look at the questions.
 Choose the correct answer, A, B or C. Put a tick in the box.
 There will be some pauses in the conversation to give you time to write your answers.
 First, you have 15 seconds to read the questions.

PAUSE 00'15''

[BEEP!]

[REPEAT FROM HERE]

F *Hello Pete. Come in and sit down. My name is Anna. You're here about the job of secretary?*

M *Yes, that's right.*

F *OK, can you start by telling me about what you do at the moment?*

M *Well, I finished university last month and now I'm looking for an interesting job.*

PAUSE 00'03''

F *How did you hear about this job?*

M *I buy the local newspaper every week, as it always has lots of new jobs in it. I saw the advert for this job on the front page, and thought I would apply.*

PAUSE 00'03''

F *And why do you want to work here?*

M *This company has lots of international customers, and I want to use my languages.*

F *So you know about our organisation?*

M *Yes, I have friends who work here, and they recommended it.*

PAUSE 00'03''

F *What qualities do you think you could bring to the job?*

M *I'm very punctual, reliable and I work hard.*

F *What about working with other people?*

M *I think that's what I'm best at – I like being part of a team.*

PAUSE 00'03''

F *That's excellent. We have another 3 people to interview, but if you're successful, when could you start?*

M *Well, I am going on holiday next week, but could start next month, so 1st September.*

F *That's great. Thank you very much, and we'll be in touch.*

PAUSE 00'03''

R Now listen to Part Five again.

PAUSE 00'03''

[REPEAT PART FIVE]

PAUSE 00'03''

R That is the end of Part Five.

PAUSE 00'05''

R You now have five minutes to copy your answers onto your answer sheet.

PAUSE 04'00''

[PING!]

R You have one more minute.

PAUSE 01'00''

[PING!]

R That is the end of this test.

Answer key Preliminary Listening Sample Test

Question	Answer
1	B
2	C
3	B
4	A
5	C
6	B
7	C
8	A
9	B
10	B
11	B
12	C
13	A
14	C
15	B
16	C
17	F
18	E
19	A
20	D
21	B
22	C
23	B
24	A
25	C