

Reading Exam 5

EOI Topic: Free time and leisure activities

See: *English File 4th edition* A2/B1

Files 8A, 10C

English File 4th edition B1

Files 1B, 2A

Part 1

Read the short texts. For questions 1–5, choose the correct option (a, b or c). 0 is the example.

- 0 *What does the writer want Mary to do?*
 a *invite Jack to the cinema with them*
 b *collect the tickets for the cinema*
 c *tell Jack that she has bought his ticket*
- 1 What does the notice say?
 a You cannot return sale items under any circumstances.
 b Make sure your clothes fit if they are bought in the sales.
 c You need to try on all clothes as the shop will not return money.
- 2 What does the sign mean?
 a The library will be open to students later on Fridays.
 b The library will return to normal service next week.
 c The library will have shorter opening hours the following week.
- 3 What does the café notice say?
 a You can buy lunch dishes for £5 at weekends.
 b Lunch meals will cost no more than £5 at weekends.
 c You have to spend £5 or more to eat at certain times.
- 4 The sign says that ...
 a it is too late to get tickets.
 b tickets must be bought before Saturday.
 c you can get tickets at the stadium.
- 5 What does the notice say?
 a This shop will sell clothes within 12 months.
 b This shop will look after clothes for up to 12 months.
 c This shop will allow you to collect clothes after 12 months.

Question	0	1	2	3	4	5
Option	a					

					TOTAL	

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From: Steve
To: Mary

I've got tickets for the cinema on Sunday. Do you want to see if Jack can join us too?

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Please try on all clothes as we cannot refund sale items unless they are damaged.

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College services

From next Friday, the library will close at 8 p.m. instead of 10 p.m. during the holidays.

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Harbour Café

There is a minimum charge of £5 between 12 p.m. and 2 p.m. at weekends

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Wild Horses Concert

No tickets are left for the performance on Saturday

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Park Dry Cleaning

Warning to customers. All uncollected items will be sold after 12 months.

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Part 2

Read the article about a photographer. For questions 1–5, choose the correct option (a, b or c). 0 is the example.

EOI Topic: Daily life activities
See: *English File 4th edition* A2/B1
 Files 11A, 12A
English File 4th edition B1
 Files 2A, 2B

- 0 *The writer became interested in photography because ...*
 a *her sister used to enjoy it.*
 b *she had some early successes.*
 c *a family member gave her a gift.*
- 1 The writer says to do well, you ...
 a need to find a good course.
 b should set yourself difficult goals.
 c must get a friend to help you.
- 2 The writer's favourite photograph was one that ...
 a she gave to her school.
 b she entered into a competition.
 c she sold online.
- 3 The writer thinks that publishing a book of photos is ...
 a less important than appearing in newspapers.
 b impossible for someone her age.
 c necessary if you want to have a long career.
- 4 What does the writer say about sharing her skills with others?
 a She prefers to do it face-to-face.
 b Most people are not interested in it.
 c It's easier to do it with a small group.
- 5 Recently, the writer has ...
 a been following a course online.
 b had to change her plans.
 c been applying for jobs abroad.

Question	0	1	2	3	4	5
Option	<i>c</i>					

				TOTAL		

Photography and me

I've always loved taking photos. My sister is ten years older than me and a painter, and I used to go to her art exhibitions. They were always busy events. It wasn't until I woke up one birthday and found a small camera wrapped up with a note that I realized I could make art without painting. I just loved it.

I went on to study photography at university. At school, I always just chose the subjects that my friends were doing. It made me popular, but it was a really bad idea because I just didn't have enough passion for what I was doing. Being ambitious and aiming high matters, because if you want to succeed, you have to try your best.

I can still remember the first day that someone paid for one of my photographs. It appeared on a professional website, as part of a prize I'd won earlier that year. It was a nature photo, and I preferred images of people at the time. I still do. Not long after that, my head teacher put another of my photos, this time of some classmates, up in reception. I still think that one can't be beaten.

All the photographers I admire have produced coffee table books. They are such high quality, not like newspaper images, where the writing comes through the page. I think I'd definitely like to have one, too, but photographers need a large collection of images for that, and it'll take a few more years to build up.

I was invited to work at the local college, but I think the class sizes are too big to be able to give valuable advice. Instead, I teach a class at the local youth club. I can meet with the kids in the evening, and give them individual help online. My mum always takes photos of people with missing heads or feet, but she just got angry when I tried to help her to improve – I think she's the exception these days.

I'm going to have my first exhibition in a few months' time. I injured my knee quite badly when I was taking photos for a travel company. I couldn't travel home so I had to stay in the resort for a while. I was in a foreign country all alone. I started photographing people from my window and I learnt so much from the experience. I sent the photos back to my old teacher over the internet, and now I've got my first real show!

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Part 3

Read the text about sharing a flat with university friends. For gaps 1–10, choose one suitable word from the box below. There is one word you do not need. 0 is the example.

EOI Topic: Housing, home and the environment
See: *English File 4th edition A2/B1 File 12B*
English File 4th edition B1 Files 1A, 1B, 2B

~~belonged~~
borrowed
budget
furious
hilarious
insecure
lent
live
only
recognize
starving
sensible

Gap	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	✓										
											TOTAL

Our university flat

In the UK, it's very common for students to travel to a town far away to study. In my second year, I decided to move into a flat with three friends. In many ways, it was a great experience. We all felt that we **0** *belonged* together in the flat, and we did. We still meet up years later to laugh about the experience. Growing up as an **1** _____ child, I wasn't familiar with the rules of sharing with brothers or sisters.

None of us had much money and it was hard to **2** _____ for things like food. The fridge became a major source of arguments. If one person came home one evening **3** _____ and too tired to go the shops for more food, they often just ate whatever they could find. It was always a mistake to buy anything nice and leave it in there. Then, of course, there was the food that everyone forgot. At the supermarket, it seemed **4** _____ to buy fruit and vegetables. We all knew that it wasn't possible to **5** _____ on a diet of fast food and chocolate, and so we always bought something healthy. After a week, all the nice food was gone, but the green beans and broccoli were still there. After three weeks, it wasn't possible to **6** _____ the little pile of black and green that was stuck to the bottom of the fridge. We had so many **7** _____ arguments about who was responsible, which always ended with us not speaking for days.

Possessions were also a bit of a problem. I remember when my friend Dan **8** _____ my Motorhead T-shirt one night. If a Motorhead song came on the radio, Dan would probably turn it off, but Dan was a bit **9** _____, especially around girls. He could never talk to them, and he thought the T-shirt would make him look cool. We came back home to find him sitting on the sofa, wearing my T-shirt and listening to a Justin Bieber song. We thought it was **10** _____, but when we all started laughing, he just got mad and went to his room.

I'm not sure if living together at that age is a good idea, but we all have incredible memories of that time.