

2023-2024 ACADEMIC YEAR, SECONDARY SCHOOL,
1st TERM 1st PRACTICE ENGLISH EXAM FOR 8th GRADERS

NAME & SURNAME: NUMBER: CLASS:

LISTENING

I. Listen to the conversation between Sally and Linda and circle the correct one. (6x10=60 pts.)



1. **Riding a bike / Reading books** is one of Linda's free time activities.
2. Linda **loves / hates** rock music.
3. Sally is interested in **classical / pop** music.
4. Linda finds heavy metal **harmonic / unbearable**.
5. Sally thinks heavy metal is **trendy / loud**.
6. Linda **accepts / refuses** Sally's invitation to a music event.

II. Listen again and take short notes about the event Sally invites Linda. (4x10=40 pts.)

Type of the event :
Day of the event :
Time of the event :
Place of the event :

SPEAKING TASK 1

Look at Mike's weekly regular activities and answer the questions.

MIKE'S WEEKLY REGULAR ACTIVITIES

MONDAY

attend Art Club

15:00 - 16:00

TUESDAY

have soccer practice

16:00 - 17:00

WEDNESDAY

cook dinner for his family

17:00 - 18:00

THURSDAY

take a guitar course at the
City Hall

15:00 - 16:00

FRIDAY

cycle at the park

16:30 - 17:30

SATURDAY

go to the theatre

14:00 - 16:00

SUNDAY



















meet with friends and eat
out

17:00 - 20:00

SUGGESTED QUESTIONS

1. When does Mike have physical activities?
2. What does he do at weekends?
3. What time does his football training start?
4. When does he watch a play?
5. Who does he go for a meal with?
6. When does he prepare meals?
7. How often does he do sports in a week?
8. When does he do outdoor activities?
9. What time does he go to the Art Club?
10. On which days does he spend time indoors?
11. Where does he ride his bike?
12. How long is his guitar lesson?

SPEAKING TASK 2

 Tom	Likes/ Dislikes	Opinion	 Jane	Likes/ Dislikes	Opinion	 Betty	Likes/ Dislikes	Opinion
Pop		relaxing	Pop		terrible	Pop		great
Rock		unbearable	Rock		terrific	Rock		awesome
Rap		ridiculous	Rap		impressive	Rap		unbearable
Jazz		terrific	Jazz		boring	Jazz		boring
Heavy Metal		energetic	Heavy Metal		trendy	Heavy Metal		fashionable

SUGGESTED QUESTIONS

- What kind of music does Tom enjoy listening to?
- What does Tom think about heavy metal?
- What kind of music is Jane interested in?
- What does she think about rap?
- What type of music does Betty dislike?
- What does Betty think about jazz music?
- Which two kids have the same opinion about rock music?
- Who is fond of listening to rock music?
- Which two kids have the same opinion about heavy metal?
- Who prefers pop music to rock music?
- Who is keen on listening to jazz?
- Who can't stand rock music?
- Talk about Jane's music preferences.
- Talk about Betty's music preferences.
- Talk about Tom's music preferences.

SPEAKING TASK 3



One of your friends invites you to a slumber party. You want to learn more details about the date and time of the party. What do you say?



Tell me three important characteristics of a good friend. Why?



One of your friends invites you to a rock concert this weekend. You are interested in music, but you have another plan with your family then. How do you refuse the invitation by giving an excuse?



Who do you have similar interests with in your class? What are they?

What kind of activities do you like doing in your free time?
Do you do these activities alone or with your friends?

Your friend invites you to see a new play this Saturday. You're busy, but you don't want to miss this chance. What do you say to accept the invitation?

SPEAKING TASK 3



Your friend invites you to a concert and you want to join him, but you need the details about the location of the event.

What do you say to learn it?



You are organizing a movie night this Friday and you want to invite one of your friends in your class. What do you say?

You want to spend some time with your best friend and do something outdoors this Sunday. What do you say to learn about his or her plans for Sunday before making an invitation?



You and your friends are attending a bowling tournament on Saturday. You want to invite your cousin, too. What do you say to invite him / her?

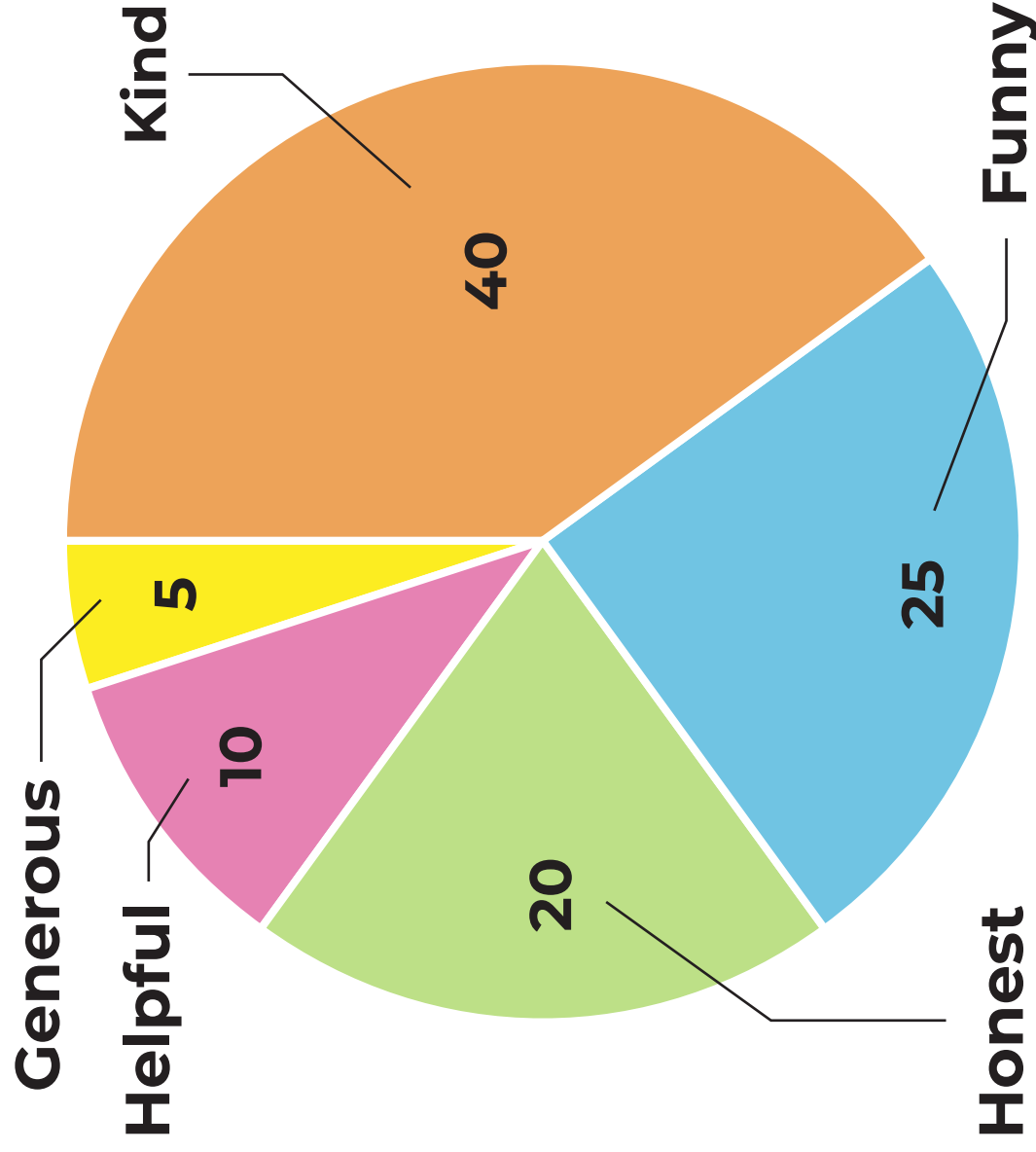
Your best friend invites you to a science exhibition. You want to go, but your brother's birthday party is on the same day. What do you say to apologize and explain why you cannot attend the event?

Your friend invites you to a football match tomorrow, but you have no interest in soccer. What do you say to refuse the invitation?



SPEAKING TASK 4

A hundred teens joined a survey about the most important characteristics of an ideal friend. Here are the results:



1. Make a suitable comment according to the results of the survey.
2. What is the most important characteristic of an ideal friend?
3. According to the results, which one is more important- telling the truth or sharing things with friends?
4. How many teens think that backing up friends is the most important?
5. How many teens think that an ideal friend should be amusing?
6. What about you? What are the most important characteristics of an ideal friend? Why?

SPEAKING TASK 5

INFORMATION EXCHANGE

STUDENT A:

Mary and Paul are going to the cinema on Sunday. Ask Student B some questions about Mary's plans.

MARY

Who / go with	?
What time / meet	?
Which film / see	?
What type / movie	?
Which cinema	?

PAUL

Who / go with	his friends
What time / meet	6 p.m.
Which film / see	<i>The Martian</i>
What type / movie	sci-fi
Which cinema	Odeon Cinema



SPEAKING TASK 5

INFORMATION EXCHANGE

STUDENT B:

Mary and Paul are going to the cinema on Sunday. Ask Student A some questions about Paul's plans.

MARY

Who / go with

her cousin

What time / meet

3:30 p.m.

Which film / see

The Gift

What type / movie

thriller

Which cinema

Sunshine Cinema

PAUL

Who / go with

?

What time / meet

?

Which film / see

?

What type / movie

?

Which cinema

?



SPEAKING TASK 6

LOOK AND ANSWER

STUDENT A:

You receive an invitation for a school reunion.

Your friend asks you some questions about it. You answer his / her questions.



STUDENT B:

Your friend receives an invitation and you ask your friend some questions about it.

What kind / event?

Where?

Date?

Time?

Phone number?

SPEAKING TASK 6

LOOK AND ANSWER

STUDENT A:

You receive an invitation for a concert. Your friend asks you some questions about it. You answer his / her questions.



STUDENT B:

You don't know anything about the concert, so you ask your friend some questions about it.

name / group?

where?

when?

what time / start?

what kind / music?

How much / cost?

SPEAKING TASK 7

Imagine that you are a famous singer.

This is your diary for next week. Talk about your plans for next week.

