



IESOL Assessment Listening

RQF Level: Level 3

(CEFR Level: C2)

Candidate Booklet – Listening

SAMPLE VERSION 2

The following details must be completed:

Candidate Name: _____

Candidate Date of Birth: _____ DD / MM / YYYY

Centre Name: _____

Examination Date & Time: _____ DD / MM / YYYY _____ HH:MM

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANDIDATES:

- Do NOT turn over the page until instructed.
- This examination is made up of 3 TASKS.
- Answer all the questions.
- If you change your mind about an answer, initial your corrections.
- Use only black or blue PEN
- Dictionaries are NOT allowed.

Time allowed: Approx. 30 minutes **Total marks available:** 22

Listening Task 1

Listen to the recording and circle the correct option – a, b, c or d.

You have one minute to read the questions before the recording is played. You will hear the recording twice.

Example: What are the participants discussing?

- a) A TV programme.
- b) An email they received.
- ☒ c) Climate change.
- d) Recent gossip.

1. Which word best describes Katie's initial position on the issue?

- a) Curious.
- b) Unconvinced.
- c) Enthusiastic.
- d) Pessimistic.

2. The article Simon is quoting suggests that global warming:

- a) is worsening despite the scientific information available.
- b) can only truly be understood by the scientific community.
- c) is still doubted by a number of scientists.
- d) now requires people to consider how best to react.

3. According to Simon, the recorded changes in global temperatures are:

- a) insignificant.
- b) rocketing.
- c) consistent.
- d) inaccurate.

4. Which figure describes the current population of Adélie penguins:

- a) 30 thousand pairs.
- b) 20 thousand penguins.
- c) 60% of what it used to be.
- d) Over 20 thousand penguins.

5. According to Simon:

- a) invasive species are now struggling in cooler areas.
- b) butterflies cannot find the alpine plants they need.
- c) some flora and fauna are migrating to more elevated areas.
- d) spruce bark beetles are contributing to the spread of forest fires.

6. Towards the end of the conversation, Katie:

- a) is fully committed to preventing global warming.
- b) still doubts the existence of global warming.
- c) starts to understand the impact of global warming.
- d) suggests several practical ways of preventing global warming.

(6 marks)

Listening Task 2

Listen to an animal expert talking about pet hedgehogs and circle the correct option – a, b, c or d.

You have one minute to read the questions before the recording is played. You will hear the recording twice.

Example: The speaker decided to talk about this topic because:

- a) she is a hedgehog enthusiast.
- b) she has a pet hedgehog.
- ☒ c) she is often asked about pet hedgehogs.
- d) hedgehogs can be dangerous.

1) According to the speaker, pet hedgehogs:

- a) tend to be much larger than wild hedgehogs.
- b) are more popular in African countries.
- c) are good pets for those allergic to other animals.
- d) are kept by an increasing number of people.

2) The best way to handle a hedgehog is to:

- a) use a towel to hold it until it unfurls.
- b) leave it alone until it unfurls.
- c) try and relax the strong muscles on its back.
- d) hold it regularly and gently unfurl it.

3) Which of the following is true?

- a) Some viral illness transfer from people to their pet hedgehogs.
- b) Some pathogens can be transmitted from hedgehogs to people.
- c) Hedgehogs carry more contagious diseases than other animals.
- d) Fungal transfer from a hedgehog's quills is very difficult to prevent.

4) Domesticated hedgehogs:

- a) should be fed snails, amphibians and lizards.
- b) should not be fed insects.
- c) benefit most from ready-made pet food.
- d) can be fed cooked meat.

5) Hedgehogs are a good match for owners who:

- a) are not easily woken up.
- b) like to have an early bedtime.
- c) like to go out late at night.
- d) none of the above.

6) Which of the following poses a risk to the health of a pet hedgehog?

- a) Other hedgehogs sharing their environment.
- b) Insufficient opportunities to exercise.
- c) Losing the ability to sleep during the day.
- d) Contracting illness from human owners.

7) When a hedgehog makes a clicking sound, it means that it is:

- a) hungry.
- b) upset.
- c) happy.
- d) in pain.

8) Which is the best description of domesticated hedgehogs?

- a) Fearful, timid and silent.
- b) Potential disease-carriers but still good pets.
- c) Ideal for owners with children.
- d) Predatory insectivores and very solitary.

(8 marks)

Listening Task 3

You are going to hear four people talking about whether voting should be mandatory. Answer the 8 questions below with the number of the speaker.

You have one minute to read the questions before the recording is played. You will hear the recording twice.

Which speaker...

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| Example: | believes that voting gives people a voice? | Speaker | 2 |
| 1. | abstained at the last election? | Speaker | _____ |
| 2. | outlines a potential problem with the application of compulsory voting? | Speaker | _____ |
| 3. | has detected a shift in the way people perceive voting? | Speaker | _____ |
| 4. | suggests that upbringing influences who votes? | Speaker | _____ |
| 5. | argues there might be a lack of choice in who to vote for? | Speaker | _____ |
| 6. | suggests that selecting who to vote for can be complicated? | Speaker | _____ |
| 7. | thinks that some excuses given by non-voters are weak? | Speaker | _____ |
| 8. | argues directly against their own actions? | Speaker | _____ |

(8 marks)

END OF LISTENING ASSESSMENT

CANDIDATE DECLARATION:

I confirm that the work contained in this booklet is my own and I had no prior knowledge of the content of this examination.

I declare that I will not divulge to any person any information about the questions and/or tasks.

Signed:	
Dated:	DD / MM / YYYY