

preliminary test (part 2)

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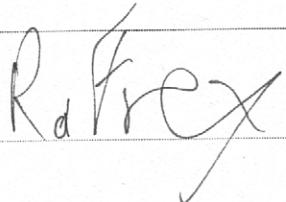
Write one word only in each space.

A conversation in Oxford:

- A: Hello, Barbara. How are you this morning?
- B: Not bad, thanks. How about you?
- A: Fine. I'm always happy on Fridays.
- B: So am I, usually. But I haven't got anything to do this weekend.
- A: What about going to London? There are some good exhibitions on.
- B: I went to London last weekend. I think I'd like to go out into the country.
Have you heard the weather forecast?
- A: Last night they said if was going to be wet on Saturday but fine on Sunday.
- B: Can you suggest somewhere nice for me to go?
- A: What about the Cotswolds? They're nice and close.
- B: How would I get there?
- A: You could take a train on the Worcester line. Then get out at somewhere like Charlbury and walk back along the Oxfordshire Way footpath to one of the other little stations.
- B: Do you know how often the trains go?
- A: I'm not ^{not sure} sure. You'll have to ring British Rail. Or you could ask Amanda. She lives out that way.
- B: That's a good idea. Thanks for your help.

I did this test without help.

Signature:



Date: dd/mm/yy

Dear Jackie

I'm now learning English for more than 4 years at school. I've learned a lot, but still I can't speaking English fluently and I often have to look for words. When I write a text it's going much easier, even though sometimes have some problems with the tenses. I'm quite good at listening and understanding, if the person doesn't speak too fast.
I don't have many possibilities to speak English. I rarely go to an English speaking country in my holidays. Sometimes I speak English with my mother, but when have to think for the right word, it gets annoying and we stop.
I'm at the MNG, a school in Switzerland, and I chose to make a bilingual matura. So the MNG choose this school in Oxford and I have to go there.
What I personally hope, is, that at this school I really can improve my English skills. When I'll speak English with my host-family I'll also learn speaking English in "normal situations" and not just at school.

I hope I could answer all your questions.

I'm looking forward to these three weeks in Oxford.

Best regards

Ramón Frey

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preliminary test (part 1)

Ramón Frey

Student name: Ramón Frey

Name of the course:

Course start date: 01.10.12

Please do this test [Parts 1 and 2]. It is important that you do it without help and without a dictionary.

Dear Student,

I am pleased to hear that you have enrolled for a course with us. When you begin your course, you will do some tests in the school but I would like to know something about you before you arrive, so please answer the following questions.

How good do you think your English is? Are you best at listening, speaking, reading, or writing? Do you have any special problems with your English? Where have you learnt the English that you know already? Have you ever been to an English-speaking country before? If not, have you been able to practise speaking English in your own country? And, most importantly, why have you chosen to study English in Oxford?

Please forgive me for asking so many questions.

I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Jackie Halsall [Academic Manager]

Reply to this letter, using 100 - 200 words. Write a normal letter, not just a list of answers

Dear Jackie

I'm learning English for more than 4 years at school now. But still I don't think that I'm really speaking English very well. I often have to look for words and sometimes my sentences aren't really grammatically correct. But I think I'm quite good at listening if it isn't spoken too fast. I sometimes talk English at home with my mother but not very often and sometimes mixed with German words. I don't have much practice, because I rarely go to English speaking countries. I chose to make a bilingual maturity, so I have to go to Oxford. I want to go there, because I hope, that when I'm forced to speak English for a longer time my English skills will really improve.

Best regards

Ramón Frey