

## preliminary test (part 2)

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 it was going to be wet on Saturday but fine on Sunday.B: Can you suggest some where 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 sure. You'll have to ring British Rail. Or you could ask Amanda. She lives out of the 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 was born in the U.S. and lived there until I was nine years old. My English isn't quite top-notch, however it's good enough for basically all occasions.

(Although I'm not as fluent as I used to be.)

Personally, I think my English's weakest point is it's vocabulary. It's basically that of an elementary schooler.

That's also why I chose the bilingual program at my school, which in turn is why I'm going to be in Oxford for three weeks in October.

Aside from obviously having lived in the U.S. I've only been to another English-speaking country once. My family and I went on a trip, where we visited London, Brighton, Bath, and some parts of Wales.

I'm really looking forward to Oxford,

Best,

David Rosenthal