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Primo Grado INVALSI Practice Test for English 2018

Answer key

Page 1

1 False
2 False
3 True
4 False
5 Not given
6 True
7 False

Page 2

1 Ellie
2 (the) museum
3 (in the) park
4 (at about) half past three/3:30
5 (by) bus
6 (at about) seven o'clock/7:00

Page 3

1 C
2 E
3 A
4 B
5 D
6 E

Page 4

1 Greg
2 Anna
3 NONE
4 Becky
5 Anna
6 Chloë
7 Matt

Page 5

1 (a) chef
2 lasagne
3 (some) chips
4 lettuce
5 tomatoes, carrots and mango
5 inside and on top/on top and inside

Page 6

1 A
2 D
3 B
4 D
5 B

Page 7

1 bed
2 chair
3 computer
4 desk

Page 8

1 F
2 A
3 E
4 B
5 H

Page 9

1 B
2 A
3 A
4 D
5 A

Page 10

1 A
2 A
3 B
4 D
5 D
6 B`

Page 11

1 B
2 C
3 C
4 A
5 A

Page 12

1 half past nine/9.30/9:30
2 4.00/4:00/four (o'clock) (p.m.)
3 £15/fifteen pounds
4 £30/thirty pounds
5 (in) Denton Road

Page 13

1 F
2 D
3 A
4 G
5 B

Note to teachers regarding the audio recordings:

The audio tracks for this INVALSI practice test contain a single recording of each listening text. In order to simulate exam conditions, please play the recordings twice. The tracks contain a 20-second pause for the students to look at the task. Tracks 1, 4 and 6 do not contain a rubric, so there is a 30-second pause to allow the students to read the rubric as well. Keep a watch or timer on hand in order to allow the students 20 seconds at the end of the task to finish writing their answers before you play the following track.

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Audio scripts

Track 1

Hi, I'm Annie, and this was my bedroom in our old house. My bed was near the door, and there was a big armchair near my bed. There was a window between the armchair and the wardrobe. There was a table opposite my bed, and my computer was usually on the table. Ah, and of course, there was also a chair in front of the table. My new room in our new house is very different, and I like it very much.

Track 2

A: Hi, Adam! How was summer camp?
B: I had a great time! I went sailing every day!
A: Did Mark and Charlotte go?
B: Yes, they didn't go sailing though. Mark learned to play tennis instead. And Charlotte made a lot of new friends. Look, here's a photo of them. She went swimming with them every day.
A: Great! What about Rory? Did they have any painting classes for him?
B: Yes, but he decided to do cooking instead. He made some amazing meals for us. We were always hungry because we were so busy all day.
A: What did Poppy do? She hates sport, doesn't she? Did she do cooking, too?
B: Actually she's always liked tennis but she decided to join the volleyball team and did really well. She wants to start a local team now – you should join!
A: Maybe I will! You should tell Dan, too – he likes volleyball. Was he on the team at camp?
B: No, he wasn't on the team but he's teaching me to play the guitar now. He learned that at camp.
A: Wow! That's really cool!

Track 3

1
What was the boy doing last night?
A: What were you doing last night when I rang?
B: Reading my running magazine… but don't tell my mum!
A: Why not?
B: I told her I was listening to music and doing my homework!

2
What has the boy broken?
A: Where's Pete? Is he coming to play tennis?
B: He can't. He's broken his leg.
A: Again? He broke his leg last year, didn't he?
B: No, that was when he fell of his bike and broke his arm and cut his foot badly.

3
What will they take to the hospital?
A: I'm going to visit Hannah in hospital. Do you want to come?
B: Yes, I'd love to! What shall we take her?
A: Some fruit… or some chocolate...
B: Fruit's better, but a bit boring. What about a magazine?
A: Good idea!

4
When will the boy's mother go to the health centre?
A: I need to go to the health centre tomorrow to see Dr Jones.
B: Isn't it closed on Wednesdays? It's only open two days a week now.
A: Oh, so when is it open?
B: On Tuesday mornings until noon, and Thursdays from 3:30 until 6p.m.
A: I'll have to go after work on Thursday then.

5
How much does the girl pay for her yoga classes?
A: Are you doing yoga at the sports centre?
B: Yes, it's brilliant! You should come?
A: Is it expensive?
B: No. It's ten pounds for an hour, or sixty pounds a term.
A: How many classes in a term?
B: Nine, so I pay for a term. It's cheaper.

Track 4

A: Hello?
B: Um, hello. This is Amy. Can I speak to Harry, please? Is he playing basketball?
A: Hi Amy! It's Eddie, here. No, Harry isn't playing basketball. He's ill so I'm answering his phone.
B: Ah, hi Eddie. What's the problem?
A: I think he's got a high temperature. We were at a basketball match and he said he was very hot. I didn't feel hot but I looked at Harry and his face was red!
B: So, what did you do?
A: I asked him, 'Are you OK?' and he said, 'I don't know,' so we came home on the bus.
B: Is he OK now?
A: Not really, he's got a cough, too. But his parents aren't here. They're at the cinema so I decided to stay with him.
B: OK, I want to come and help. See you in a bit!
A: OK.

Track 5

1
Where is the girl's passport?
A: Mum, have you seen my passport?
B: It's on the table, isn't it?
A: No, it isn't. I've just looked there. It was on the shelf by the door.
B: Have you looked in your bag?
A: No. Ah, you're right. I must have put it in there earlier.

2
Which is the boy's History teacher?
A: I really like our new History teacher. He's young and he wears great clothes.
B: What kind of clothes does he wear?
A: Oh, you know, just a shirt and trousers.
A: Doesn't he wear a jacket and tie, or a suit?
A: Well, he always wears a jacket.

3
Where is Megan now?
A: How many days is Megan away for?
B: I'm not sure. She's going to the beach next week, but she's in the mountains at the moment.
A: Is she going sightseeing, too?
B: Yes, but that's not until next week.

4
What does the boy's father do?
A: What job does your dad do? Isn't he a pilot?
B: That's Ryan's dad. Mine's a bus driver.
A: That's right! Didn't he used to drive a train?
B: No, my uncle did that!

5
Where will Paul stay on holiday?
A: When are you going on holiday, Paul?
B: Not until June.
A: My dad's just booked the hotel.
B: I thought you said you were staying in a guest house?
A: Well, we went camping last summer so mum wants something more comfortable this year.

Track 6

A: Good morning. Can I help you?
B: Hello, is that Basil Animal Park?
A: That's right. How can I help you?
B: I'd like some information about the park please.
A: Of course. What is it that you'd like to know?
B: Well, first of all, what time do you open?
A: We open at half past nine all year. We have different closing times though. In the summer we stay open until 7.30 but in the winter we close earlier, at 4 o'clock.
B: Oh, I see. And how much does it cost to get in?
A: We have different prices. An adult ticket is £15 but for children under 12 it only costs £5.
B: OK. So that's 15 and 5.
A: Yes, that's right. But if there are two adults and two children visiting together, you can buy a family ticket for £30.
A: That's great, thanks. And can you please tell me where exactly the park is?
B: Yes, you'll find us on Denton Road. That's D-E-N-T-O-N road. We're just past the woods.
A: Thanks, very much. Bye!

Track 7

News reader: Good evening, and welcome to the ten o'clock city news.

Presenter: Example 0
News reader: Public health officials presented the results of research on smartphone use last week. The officials encouraged young people to use their smartphones for a maximum of two hours a day, and not to keep their phones close to their bodies when not in use. There is concern that the radio waves produced by the phones can cause cancer, but more research is necessary to confirm this.

Presenter: Item 1
News reader: If you're going to the city centre this morning, take note that at the moment the police are only letting pedestrians enter Green Street. A bus hit a traffic light at 6am this morning, and urgent repairs are under way. All buses and cars are currently using Park Street instead. The road is expected to be open as usual in the afternoon.

Presenter: Item 2
News reader: This week we've got a contest for all students who are history experts! Try the history quiz on our web page, and send us your answers as soon as you can. The first ten students to send us the correct answers will receive two tickets to the film of their choice at the Riverside Cinema. We'll announce the winners of the contest during our programme next week.

Presenter: Item 3
News reader: If you plan to play football or do some other outdoor activity on Saturday or Sunday, I've got bad news for you! A storm is arriving from the Atlantic tonight, and tomorrow we'll have heavy rain in the morning. The rain will continue off and on for the rest of the day. Sunday doesn't look much better, but winds will pass through in the afternoon and start pushing away the clouds for the evening.

Presenter: Item 4
News reader: The opening of the Marketplace Shopping Centre has been an incredible success. Critics however say that it is too successful, because traffic in Green Street is now regularly blocked with shoppers looking for parking in the area. In order to provide an alternative way of reaching the shopping centre, the town officials have provided for the addition of a new bus service in this street, with a stop directly opposite the entrance to the shopping centre.

Presenter: Item 5
News reader: The members of the Bradford School team will remember the last match of the season for a long time to come! It was a terribly cold day, and snow even fell for about fifteen minutes. But that's not why the match was so memorable! With three minutes remaining to play, Bradford scored the final goal of the match to beat Godstow Academy 2-1. That goal won Bradford not only the match, but also made it this year's champion of the school football league!

That's all from the ten o'clock news team. Thanks for listening.

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