
















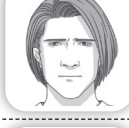








Set A	Set B
 Our exams are <b>coming soon</b> .	 Right! They're <b>looming</b> on the horizon.
 Finding reliable notes is quite <b>problematic</b> .	 Absolutely! It's a <b>minefield</b> , isn't it?
 I'm so <b>stressed out</b> .	 I'm a <b>bundle of nerves</b> too.
 How many times have we heard that exams are for our own good?	 Right! It's been <b>hammered into us</b> , hasn't it?
 We just <b>repeat all the information parrot fashion</b> , don't we?	 Absolutely! We <b>regurgitate</b> it all.
 There are <b>more and more books</b> on my desk.	 They're <b>piling up</b> on mine too.
 Some people <b>pass their exams so easily</b> .	 Right! They just <b>sail through them</b> , don't they?
 I find this material really <b>difficult</b> .	 So do I. I'm completely <b>out of my depth</b> .
 It's unfair that we're supposed to learn <b>everything</b> .	 Right, every single thing <b>under the sun</b> .
 I know that I <b>won't remember anything</b> during the exam.	 Right! <b>My mind</b> always <b>goes blank</b> too.
 I'm kind of <b>tired and anxious</b> .	 I'm feeling completely <b>frazzled</b> too.
 I wish I knew how to approach exam revision <b>feeling calm</b> .	 So do I. If only I could <b>take it in my stride</b> .

ENGLISH	<p><b>QUESTION</b></p> <p>You have to form one adjective from the word <i>taste</i>, but you don't know the context. What <b>might be</b> the answer? You need to give all the three possibilities.</p>	<p><b>ANSWER</b></p> <p>It might be: tasty, tasteless or tasteful.</p>
ASTRONOMY	<p><b>QUESTION</b></p> <p>Which planet of the solar system, apart from Mars and Earth, <b>might have been able</b> to support life in the past?</p>	<p><b>ANSWER</b></p> <p>Venus. It is believed that up to around 4 billion years ago there must have been liquid water on the surface of Venus and its atmosphere was similar to the Earth's.</p>
MATHS	<p><b>QUESTION</b></p> <p>I'm thinking of a number. It's an odd number greater than 7 but less than 20 and it can be evenly divided by three. What number <b>may I be thinking</b> about? You need to give all the possible answers.</p>	<p><b>ANSWER</b></p> <p>I may be thinking of 9 or 15.</p>
LOGIC	<p><b>QUESTION</b></p> <p>Two fathers and two sons went fishing. Each of them caught one fish, but they only brought home three fish. Do you think one of them <b>must have lost</b> his fish on the way or is there another logical explanation?</p>	<p><b>ANSWER</b></p> <p>One of the men might have gone fishing with his father and his son, so there were only three of them.</p>
ZOOLOGY	<p><b>QUESTION</b></p> <p>A tourist has been to New Zealand and claims that he was bitten by a snake when he was trekking in a fern forest in the North Island. Do you think he <b>might have made</b> the story up?</p>	<p><b>ANSWER</b></p> <p>He must have made it all up. He can't have been bitten by a snake as there are no snakes native to New Zealand.</p>

## GEOGRAPHY

## QUESTION

A Frenchwoman from Lyon has been to a European country where French is spoken too. Where do you think she **might have been**? You need to name at least three countries.

## ANSWER

She might have been to Belgium, Switzerland, Monaco or Luxembourg.

## ENGLISH LITERATURE

## QUESTION

Which of these statements is an actual subject of academic speculation?

- A Some of Shakespeare's plays **might have been written** by someone else.
- B Charles Dickens **might have written** some books that he decided not to have published.
- C Agatha Christie **may have written** a few children's stories under a different name.

## ANSWER

Some scholars think that Shakespeare might not have written all the works that are attributed to him.

## GEOLOGY

## QUESTION

Imagine exploring an old cave. You can see a beautiful limestone stalactite hanging from the cave ceiling. It's half a metre long. How long do you think it **must have been growing**?

- A for at least 5,000 years
- B for 1,000 years at most
- C for about 100 years

## ANSWER

Limestone stalactites form extremely slowly – usually less than 10 centimetres every thousand years – so it must have been growing for at least 5,000 years.

## HISTORY

## QUESTION

When do scientists suppose the first people **must have arrived** in Australia?

- A by at least 55,000 years ago
- B exactly 25,000 years ago
- C around 10,000 years ago

## ANSWER

Australia's oldest site of human occupation is considered to be around 55,000 years old, so the first people must have arrived by at least 55,000 years ago.

## PALEONTOLOGY

## QUESTION

How long do you think mammoths **may have survived** on Earth?

- A until 10,000 years ago
- B until 3,500 years ago
- C until 1,500 years ago

## ANSWER

The last isolated population of mammoths may have survived on Wrangel Island off the coast of Siberia until 3,500 years ago.

PART 1

end of year	take	flunk	pass	revise for
mock	entrance	fail	sail through	sit
placement	written	cram for	practical	

- 1 do, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2 study for, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3 do badly in, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4 do well in, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_
  - 5 external, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_
- } an exam  
 } exam

Have you ever  
flunked an exam  
really badly?

Do you prefer oral  
exams or written  
exams? Why?

PART 2

- 1 You need an **excellent command / tuition / retention** of at least two foreign languages to get a good job nowadays.
- 2 You must be **highly literate / articulate / sophisticated** to get good grades in oral exams.
- 3 Many people want a **recognised education / qualification / training** such as an international exam for no other reason than for **intellectual fulfilment / grounding / training**.
- 4 In some fields of work, vocational training is more important than having a good **academic command / fulfilment / grounding**.
- 5 Becoming **technologically literate / knowledgeable / instructed** is a must before entering **tertiary / compulsory / primary** education.
- 6 Regular **one-to-one tuition / guidance / scholarship** is a much more effective way of learning languages than doing a(n) **secondary / crash / induction** course.