



English First Additional Language

Mock Exam

Paper 2

Grade 5

1. This exam consists of seven pages.
2. This exam consists of four questions.
3. Read each question in full before answering.
4. Answer all the questions.
5. Number your answers as per the question paper.
6. Skip a line between answers.
7. Do not answer on the question paper.
8. Answer all questions on lined paper.

Question	Possible Marks	Student's Marks
1. Comprehension	15	
2. Visual Literacy	10	
3. Summary	5	
4. Language in Context	10	
Total	40	

Question 1: Comprehension

Read the following text carefully and answer the questions that follow.

Black Friday

1 The day after Thanksgiving is the start of the holiday shopping season. Thanksgiving is always on a Thursday, so the day after is a Friday. This day has come to be known as Black Friday. It has been the busiest shopping day of the year since 2005.

2 Most stores offer great deals on Black Friday. They open their doors in the wee hours of the morning. They try to attract shoppers with big discounts. Some items like TVs are much cheaper than usual. Stores may even lose money on these items. They hope that shoppers will buy gifts for other people while they are in the store.

3 Black Friday is a great time to get good deals. The problem is that there are not enough low-priced items to go around. Each store may only have a few. These items are in high demand. People stand in long lines to get such great deals. They may line up hours before a store opens. They may be hoping to get a low price on a TV or laptop, but not everyone who wants one will get one. Some people leave disappointed.

4 The situation can be tense. Some Black Friday events have been violent. Large, eager crowds have trampled workers. Fights have broken out over toys or people cutting in line. People have shot one another over parking spots. But most Black Friday events are safe and fun. Still, if you plan on going, expect large crowds and a bit of shoving.

5 So, where does the name "Black Friday" come from? It was first used in Philadelphia in the 1950s. The police called this day Black Friday because of the heavy traffic it drew. In the 1960s, stores tried to rename the day "Big Friday." It did not stick. The name "Black Friday" continued to spread across the country. It seems that it is here to stay.

6 Now people all over the country take part in the event known as Black Friday. It is even spreading to other parts of the world. Stores have held Black Friday events in the U.K., Australia, and Brazil since 2012. In Costa Rica Black Friday is known as "Viernes Negro." And in Mexico, stores offer an annual weekend of discounts. They call it "El Buen Fin," which means "the good weekend" in Spanish. I guess the language of savings is universal.



Source: <https://www.ereadingworksheets.com> (Accessed May 2020)

Questions

Refer to the text, “Black Friday” and answer the following questions in full sentences.

- 1 Answer the following multiple-choice questions by writing the correct letter and sentence on your answer sheet.
- 1.1 According to the text, why do stores set prices so low on some items that they lose money? (1)
- a) They want people to enjoy the holidays.
 - b) They hope that people will buy other gifts while they are in the store.
 - c) They are in a giving mood because of the holiday season just beginning.
 - d) They are trying to get rid of old items from last year to make room for new items.
- 1.2 Which is **not** true about Black Friday? (1)
- a) Black Friday is always the day after Thanksgiving.
 - b) Black Friday is the busiest shopping day of the year.
 - c) Black Friday is a national holiday (public holiday).
 - d) Black Friday is the start of the holiday shopping season.
- 1.3 Which happened **first**? (1)
- a) Stores tried to rename the day after Thanksgiving “Big Friday.”
 - b) Black Friday events began happening in Australia.
 - c) Police began calling the day after Thanksgiving “Black Friday.”
 - d) Black Friday became the busiest shopping day of the year.
- 1.4 Which country does **not** participate in Black Friday? (1)
- a) France
 - b) Brazil
 - c) Costa Rica
 - d) United Kingdom
- 1.5 How do stores try to attract shoppers during Black Friday? Quote from the text to support your answer. (2)
- 1.6 Why is Black Friday a disappointing experience for some people? Quote from the text to support your answer. (2)
- 1.7 “They open their doors in the wee hours of the morning.” What do you think this means? (2)

- 1.8 Did this shopping day always have the name Black Friday? Quote from the text to support your answer. (2)
- 1.9 How is Mexico's version of Black Friday different from other country's? (1)
- 1.10 According to the text, the language of savings is universal. Explain what you think this means. (2)

Subtotal for Question 1: /15

Question 2: Visual Literacy

2.1 Refer to the comic strip below and answer the questions that follow.



Source: <https://www.pinterest.za> (Accessed May 2020)

- 2.1.1 Explain what the characters in the comic strip are thinking, by looking at their facial expressions and body language. (1)
- 2.1.2 What job do you think this man does? (1)
- 2.1.3 There is a language error in the speech bubble. Identify it **and** rewrite it correctly. (2)

2.2 Refer to the advertisement below and answer the questions that follow.



takealot.com
BLUE DOT SALE
the biggest sale of the year

Up to 60% off
ON HUNDREDS OF KITCHEN MUST-HAVES

SALE STARTS FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER

Russell Hobbs NUTRIBULLET. KENWOOD
Jamie Oliver GEORGE FOREMAN PHILIPS HOVER
takealot.com
shop anything you can imagine

Source: <https://www.rattleandmum.co.za> (Accessed May 2020)

- 2.2.1 Which company is offering up to 60% off on kitchen items? (1)
- 2.2.2 What is this company's slogan? (1)
- 2.2.3 Identify any two brand names that appear on the advertisement. (2)
- 2.2.4 What is the name of this sale? (1)
- 2.2.5 Who do you think would be interested in buying these sale items? (1)

Subtotal for Question 2: /10

Question 3: Summary

Read the text that follows and summarise the information into no more than 95 words. Once you have completed your summary, indicate the amount of words you have used.

The event that Americans commonly call the "First Thanksgiving" was celebrated by the Pilgrims after their first harvest in the New World in October 1621. This feast lasted three days, and—as recounted by attendee Edward Winslow—was attended by 90 Native Americans and 53 Pilgrims. While turkey is today the bird of choice for Thanksgiving dinners across the United States, this was not always the case: according to History.com, for the first ever Thanksgiving in 1621 the Native Americans killed five deer as a gift for the colonists, meaning venison would most likely have been the dish of the day. Each Thanksgiving, the president of the United States ‘pardons’ a hand-selected turkey, sending it to a farm where it lives out the rest of its days. This tradition dates to Abraham Lincoln’s days, when his son, Tad, begged him to pardon the bird meant for the family’s table arguing that it had as much right to live as anyone. Lincoln agreed and the turkey lived.

Source: <https://www.historyextra.com> (Accessed May 2020)

Subtotal for Question 3: /5

Question 4: Language in context

Refer to the text, “Black Friday” and answer the following questions.

- 4.1 Rewrite the following sentence in the simple future tense. (1)
Thanksgiving is on the last Thursday of November.
- 4.2 Write down the comparative and superlative adjectives for the following word: **big** (2)
- 4.3 Rewrite the statement as a question. The answer to your question has been underlined. (1)
Black Friday is a great time to get good deals.
- 4.4 Identify the parts of speech of the underlined words in the sentence. (3)
Choose from: adjective, verb, proper noun.
Black Friday is a great time to get good deals.

- 4.5 Rewrite the following sentence in reported speech. (2)
The manager said, “Black Friday is the busiest shopping day of 2005.”
- 4.6 Rewrite the following sentence in the simple past tense. (1)
People stand in line to get great deals.

Subtotal for Question 4: /10

Grand Total for the Exam: /40