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Grammar Practice Test

1. She _____ in that office since last September.

a. works

b. has worked

c. is working

d. working

2. This recipe is _____ than the one we used before.

a. easier

b. easiest

c. more easy

d. most easy

3. I have known her _____ we were in school.

a. for

b. since

c. in

d. from

4. Each of the students _____ required to submit homework by Friday.

a. are

b. were

c. is

d. have



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5. They had to cancel the concert because _____ was available to perform.

a. anyone

b. no one

c. someone

d. everyone

6. I have been living in this city _____ five years now.

a. for

b. since

c. during

d. on

7. _____ house at the end of the street belongs to my aunt.

a. A

b. An

c. The

d. Some

8. Each of the employees _____ required to attend the training.

a. are

b. were

c. is

d. have



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9. She always gets up _____ 6:30 in the morning.

- a. at**
- b. on
- c. in
- d. to

10. If he _____ earlier, he would have caught the last bus.

- a. leaves
- b. would leave
- c. had left**
- d. leaving

11. Only after the movie ended _____ that he had already seen it before.

- a. he will realize
- b. did he realized
- c. he realizes
- d. did he realize**

12. The museum is famous for _____ collection of rare artifacts.

- a. it's
- b. its**
- c. their
- d. his



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13. Had he not taken that risk, he _____ the opportunity of a lifetime.

a. had missed

b. would have missed

c. will miss

d. would miss

14. She had forgotten to buy eggs, and _____, she could not bake the pumpkin pie.

a. therefore

b. since

c. however

d. in case

15. _____ used to be a grocery store near my house, _____ was convenient to have a grocery store nearby.

a. There/ there

b. There/ it

c. It/ there

d. It/it



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Oral Exam Practice Test & Tips

Your oral exam at CEFAM will last approximately 30 minutes. During this exam you will be evaluated on your oral comprehension & expression, vocabulary, and overall grammar. Here is a list of some of the questions you may be asked:

- Tell me about some of your interests. What do you like to do in your free time?
- Could you describe to me your favorite vacation? What did you do? What did you eat?
- What is your favorite book or movie? Could you describe the plot to me?
- Who is your role model? Why?
- What is your favorite subject in school? Why?
- Have you been to Lyon before? What do you think of the city? Do you have a favorite city?

Tips:

- Try to be as descriptive as possible with your answers. For example, if you are asked “what do you like to do in your free time?” avoid saying “nothing.” Instead, expand on your hobbies, why you like them, and how long you’ve been doing them. The point of the exam is to demonstrate your English fluency, so give lots of detail!
- If you do not understand a question, please ask the examiner to repeat or rephrase the question.
- Although this exam is predominately focused on your English level, do not forget that answers need to be professional and appropriate. Avoid vulgar slang or information that may be too personal to share.
- You can prepare for the exam by asking yourself the practice questions. For extra practice, you can record your answers and review them, paying special attention to pronunciation and grammar.



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Written Exam Practice & Tips

For the written exam, you will be asked to write a few paragraphs about a given topic. The topics are designed to be reflective, meaning you will not be asked or expected to do any outside research. Instead, you will be evaluated on your grammar, overall essay structure, and how completely you answered the question. Some sample essay topics include:

- Some people say money is the source of all happiness. Do you agree with this? Why or why not?
- Write about a risk you took in your life? What was the risk? Was it worth it?

Tips:

- Remember that this is a writing exercise, so do not forget elements of basic essay structure such as: an introduction, supporting details, and a conclusion.
- Punctuation is important! Do not forget to capitalize, use commas, and end sentences appropriately.
- Please only write about topics that are appropriate for a professional and academic context.
- Some of the most common grammatical errors encountered are subject-verb agreement, lack of punctuation, verb conjugation, missing words, and incorrect use of plurals.

Examples:

Insufficient essay example

I take lots of risk in my life for example one time I drove very fast on the road. It was risky because I drove too fast and faster than the speed limit. It was fun but also maybe dangerous because I could have made an accident. Even though my friends thought this risk was cool I think I wont do it again because like I said it was dangerous even though it was cool. Overall taking risks is a big decision that we should think about.

Comments: This essay is insufficient because it does not fully address the question, lack basic essay structure, and is full of grammatical errors (missing commas, articles, conjugation, and academic/professional tone)



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Sufficient essay example

Taking risks is a difficult, yet important part of life. For example, one of the biggest risks I ever took was deciding to join the school theater club. It was risky because I'd always been terrified of public speaking and always tried to avoid it. The thought of being on stage was really intimidating. However, all my friends wanted to audition for the new play, so I decided to try out. Even though I was worried about everyone looking at me or making a fool of myself, I decided to take the risk.

At first, I was really scared, and it was hard for me to feel comfortable. During rehearsals, I often forgot my lines or where to stand on the stage. Sometimes there were moments I really doubted my decision. Although everyone in the club was really nice and encouraged me to continue. Eventually, I started to feel more confident. Once it was time to perform for an audience, I still felt nervous, but I was ready. After the play, I felt so proud of myself because I had done something that scared me.

Thinking about this risk, I believe it was worth it. Through this experience I gained more confidence and became less afraid of public speaking. From this experience I learned I can succeed at difficult things. Overall, even when risks seem challenging, sometimes they can lead to learning new things and growing as a person.

Comments: This essay is sufficient because it fully answers the question and provides detail and context to the students' experience. Additionally, there are minimal grammatical errors and basic essay structure is followed.