

ISE Foundation

Sample Independent listening task 1 – Airport waiting room (from January 2025)

Examiner rubric

This is a plan of an airport waiting room. Here it shows left and right (*point to L and R on the plan*). These pictures (*point to the pictures*) show you some things in the waiting room. Someone will tell you where these things are. You'll hear the person speak twice. On your paper, match the letters with the numbers on the plan. There is one picture you do not need to use. There's an example to show you what to do (*point to where it says A on the plan*). Zero is A. Please look at the plan and pictures now. You have 15 seconds (*wait 15 seconds*). Are you ready?

Play the task. The task will play twice. Allow the candidate up to 15 seconds after the recording has finished to complete their notes if necessary.

What letter is number 1? Number 2? Number 3? Number 4? And number 5?

Audio script

Look at this plan of the airport waiting room. On the right of the entrance, there is a bank. You can change your money here. In the centre, there is a lovely coffee shop. You can buy cakes here, too. The bookshop is on the left of the entrance, in the corner. In the left corner of the waiting room, at the back, there are some toilets. On the right side, next to the bank, there are some seats. At the back of the waiting room, in the middle, there are stairs up to the second floor. You can watch the planes from here.

Answers

The floor plan is a large rectangle with 'L' on the left side and 'R' on the right side. It contains several numbered boxes with corresponding letter assignments:

- Top-left: 3=F
- Top-middle: 5=C
- Middle-left: 1=B
- Middle-right: 4=E
- Bottom-left: 2=G
- Bottom-right: 0=A

Below the plan is a legend titled 'example' with seven icons labeled A through G:

- A: Hand holding a banknote (€)
- B: Coffee cup
- C: Stairs
- D: TV and mobile phone
- E: Two chairs
- F: Toilets (male and female symbols)
- G: Open books