

**Certificate in  
ESOL Skills for Life  
Entry 3 – Reading  
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10am

Your full name: .....  
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Centre: ..... Date: .....

Candidate registration number: .....

Time allowed: 60 minutes

Please answer **all** questions. Write your answers in pen **not** pencil.  
You may **not** use dictionaries. You may **not** use correction fluid.

**Examiner's use only**

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This examination paper contains 20 questions. Answer all questions.

#### Task one

Read the following text and answer the questions on page 3.



While historians know most of the facts, the exact origins of coffee are surrounded in mystery. According to one legend, an Ethiopian goat-herd discovered it when he noticed that his goats were extremely lively after eating some red Arabica berries.

However, while they are not sure of its origins, historians agree that coffee is indigenous to Ethiopia. At least 1,000 years ago, the Ethiopians took coffee seedlings across the Red Sea into Yemen, where monks began cultivating them in their gardens. From then on coffee growing and drinking gradually spread throughout the Middle East.

In 1652 a Greek, Pasqua Rossie, opened the first coffeehouse in London, almost forty years after Venetian traders introduced coffee into Europe. Coffeehouses soon became such popular places for educated discussions that they were called 'penny universities' (a penny was the price of a cup of coffee). In fact, men spent so much time in coffeehouses that their wives became annoyed and in 1674 organised a petition to protest against the 'grand inconveniences' of the hours their husbands spent there.

Today, coffee is a popular beverage and millions of people worldwide work in the coffee industry — on coffee plantations, in factories and in its trading, transportation and marketing. Coffee has certainly come a long way from its mysterious beginnings!



(Source: Adapted from [www.baldmountaincoffee.com](http://www.baldmountaincoffee.com); [www.ico.org/coffee](http://www.ico.org/coffee); [www.telusplanet.net/public/coffee](http://www.telusplanet.net/public/coffee))

**Questions**

1. What is the best title for this text? *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A** A story of Ethiopian goat-herds
- B** The history of coffee
- C** Penny universities cause inconvenience

2–5. Put these events in the story in the order in which they happened. The first one has been done for you.

	<b>Event</b>	<b>Order</b>
<i>Example</i>	Ethiopians discovered they could make a drink from coffee berries.	1
2.	Wives protested at the amount of time their husbands spent in coffee houses.	
3.	Monks began growing coffee seedlings.	
4.	Venetian traders brought coffee to Europe.	
5.	The Ethiopians took coffee seedlings to Yemen.	

6. Which word in the text means the same as ‘grows naturally in one or more areas’? *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A** surrounded
- B** indigenous
- C** petition

7. How much did a cup of coffee cost in 1652?

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8. Which word from the text in the following list is **not** connected with coffee growing? *(Please circle the word)*

<b>berries</b>	<b>goats</b>	<b>cultivating</b>	<b>seedlings</b>	<b>plantations</b>
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**Task two**

Read the text and then answer the questions on page 5.

**W H Robson's**

**Autumn Sale!**

**All these items half price!**

	Now only
Desktop calculator .....	£2.99
Document wallets (assorted colours, pack of 20) .....	65p
Envelopes (100 large brown or white) .....	99p
Felt tips (pack of 24) .....	£1.49
Laminator .....	£10.00
Leather briefcase .....	£21.50
Mini-dictionary .....	79p
Notebook & pen set .....	99p
Roller ball pens (pack of 3, assorted colours) .....	45p
Student notepad (100 sheets per pad) .....	70p

**All sale items inside have a red sticker!**

**Questions**

9. Where will you find this text?

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10. This text is for people who want to *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A sell cheap stationery
- B buy cheap clothes
- C buy cheap stationery

11. Where should **fountain pen** come in the list? *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A between **envelopes** and **felt tips**
- B between **felt tips** and **laminator**
- C between **leather briefcase** and **mini-dictionary**

12. What shows you items are in the sale? *(Please complete the sentence)*

The price and \_\_\_\_\_

13. Which two items are the same price? *(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A envelopes and mini-dictionary
- B laminator and notebook & pen set
- C envelopes and notebook & pen set

14. Which two items can you buy in several colours?  
*(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)*

- A document wallets and roller ball pens
- B roller ball pens and student notepad
- C desktop calculator and document wallets

**Task three**

Look at the following three texts and then answer the questions on page 7.

**Text one**

**GOOD COOKING COMPANY**  
**Non-stick Saucepan and Glass Lid**

- Clean the saucepan with hot water and a mild detergent
- Avoid using a cleaning pad or brush which can scratch the lid
- \_\_\_\_\_
- Dry thoroughly before putting the saucepan and lid away



**Text two**

**T.G. Barton**  
**Wallpaper and Paint Supplies**



**Everything you need for painting and decorating!**  
**Expert advice from our friendly staff!**

Unit 6, Postern Trading Estate, M5 7FD  
 Tel: 0161 766 899                      Open: Mon–Sat 9–6

**Text three**

**Menton's Department Store**  
**Returns Form**

Item description: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for return: \_\_\_\_\_

Customer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Customer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Questions**

15. In text one, which is correct? The text is for people who want to know  
(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)
- A** where to purchase a saucepan
  - B** how to cook delicious meals
  - C** how to clean the saucepan and lid
16. In text one, which instruction is missing? (Please circle the letter of the correct answer)
- A** You won't forget to wash off the soap will you?
  - B** You have to make sure you rinse off the soap
  - C** Rinse with cold, clean water
17. In text two, which is correct? At **T.G. Barton's** you can  
(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)
- A** buy paint and get advice on Saturdays
  - B** buy paint and ask the staff to decorate your home on Saturdays
  - C** buy paint and get advice on Sundays
18. What is the main purpose of text two? (Please circle the letter of the correct answer)
- A** to provide instructions
  - B** to ask for information
  - C** to advertise a service
19. You are a customer of Menton's Department Store and you want to return a jacket. Which part of the form should you **not** complete? (Please circle the letter of the correct answer)
- A** Customer Name
  - B** Customer Signature
  - C** Staff Signature
20. In text three, which is the best way to complete the 'Reason for return' section?  
(Please circle the letter of the correct answer)
- A** Reason for return: It is a beautiful jacket.
  - B** Reason for return: The jacket is too small.
  - C** Reason for return: I don't have a reason.

