

Technische Berufsmittelschule Schaffhausen

Aufnahmeprüfung Englisch 2023

Name, Vorname: _____

Wohnort: _____

Prüfungsnummer: _____

Zeit: 30 Minuten

Keine Hilfsmittel erlaubt!

Bitte schreiben Sie mit Tinte, Kugelschreiber oder Filzstift!

Good luck!

Punktzahl: _____ / 45

Note: _____

1. Reading - Read the article and complete the two exercises below. (10 points)

Is gossip¹ really good for you?

That's the question we asked some of our readers this week. Email us and tell us what you think.

Lesley Hartley, age 25

'There's a boy in my class at university who I really like. He's called Tony. I was too scared to ask him out. I told my best friend Alice this secret. She said she wouldn't tell anyone. Alice couldn't keep the secret, though, and she gossiped to her other friends. Of course, her friends told Tony! Fortunately for me, the gossip was actually a good thing. Tony waited for me after class one day. He told me that Alice's friends had gossiped about me. And then he invited me to go out to the cinema one night. We've been together since then! I think people are probably programmed to gossip. We need to gossip to build connections with other people.'

James Goodman, age 35

'Unfortunately, I think gossiping is in our genes. And I don't think it's a positive thing. People gossip to make themselves feel more important. They don't think about the effect it has on the people they gossip about. For example, one of my neighbours gossiped about me after I divorced my wife. She said that I had treated my wife badly. Another neighbour told my work colleagues that my wife was going to move to Germany with the children. These are both lies. I've found it difficult to meet someone else because people believe the gossip, not me.'

Eric French, age 28

'We shouldn't feel guilty about a bit of gossip. I believe that gossiping is good for you. We are people, and people enjoy sharing news – both good and bad – so that they can form and improve their social relationships. I'll give you an example ... I'm quite shy and I don't make friends easily. My girlfriend told me that I didn't go out enough, and that I should have a better social life. She complained about this to her best friend, Susan. Then, one night, I got a phone call from Danny, Susan's boyfriend. He asked me to go out with him to see a band. I had a brilliant night. Since then, Danny and I have seen a band every week. He's a good friend now and I feel much happier.'

1 Tick ✓ the correct answer A, B or C

- 1 Lesley started ____ Tony after Alice gossiped to her friends.
A going to the cinema with ☐ B going to class with ☐ C going out with **X**
- 2 Tony waited for Lesley ____ one day.
A after class **X** B after work ☐ C after the cinema ☐
- 3 James thinks people gossip because they want to ____.
A feel more positive ☐ B look more important ☐ C feel more important **X**
- 4 James's neighbours told ____ about him.
A funny stories ☐ B lies **X** C secrets ☐
- 5 Eric thinks that gossip improves ____ relationships.
A old ☐ B social **X** C working ☐
- 6 Eric has ____ because his girlfriend gossiped.
A made a new friend **X** B made a big mistake ☐ C met a new neighbour ☐

2 Write L for Lesley, J for James, or E for Eric.

- 1 I went to see a band. **__E__**
- 2 I think people are programmed to gossip. **__L__**
- 3 I think gossiping is a negative thing. **__J__**
- 4 I think people enjoy sharing gossip. **__E__**

¹ You should understand the meaning of the word "gossip" when you read the text.

2. Grammar - Write the missing questions to the following answers. Use a suitable question word if necessary. (5 points)

Example:

0. Where does she live _____?

She lives in Berlin.

1. Q: How much did you pay for that computer _____?

I paid £600 for that computer.

2. Q: Have you been to London before OR Have you ever been to London _____?

Yes, I have been to London twice.

3. Q: What are you doing _____?

I am trying to bake a banana bread.

4. Q: Whose handbag is this _____?

This is Tracy's handbag.

5. Q: Where will you go in your summer holidays _____?

We will go to Spain in our summer holidays.

3. Grammar – Fill the gaps using the verb in brackets in the correct tense. Choose only from the present simple, present continuous, past simple, past continuous, present perfect, past perfect, and will-future. (15 points)

1. Tom has worked (work) in our company for 5 years now. We are happy to have him in our team and hope that he will continue (continue) to work with us in the future.
2. Listen, somebody is singing (sing) in front of the school. It sounds very lovely!
3. Right now, I am not (not, be) happy in my job. Maybe I should look for something else.
4. Wow! You have just won (just, win) the race in a record time!
5. Marc will call you back in 15 minutes. He is having (have) a shower at the moment.
6. He was walking (walk) down the road when the accident happened. He saw everything.
7. A: I'm hungry! – B: Shall I get (I, get) you something to eat?
8. After Tom had heard (hear) about all the interesting movies and series, he decided to create a Netflix account.
9. I think these suitcases are too heavy for you. I will help (help) you if you want.
10. Didn't you watch (you, not, watch) the same movie last week? – No, that was part one, this is part two.
11. While I was walking (walk) home from school yesterday, I lost (lose) my homework. I'm very sorry.
12. When Steven arrived OR had arrived (arrive) in his hotel, he saw that the cleaners had not cleaned (not, clean) his room. He complained and got a free upgrade.

Write about a person who is special to you. Who is the person? Is it a family member or a friend? What makes this person special to you? Write 60 – 80 words.

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Points: ____ / 15