

# Essential English Language Skills Practice

16 Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking units based on the public exam scope and the latest papers

## Listening

### Part 1A

Joseph is talking to the school social worker. Listen to the conversation. Choose the best answer by blackening the circle.



Audio recordings for all listening practices

## Reading



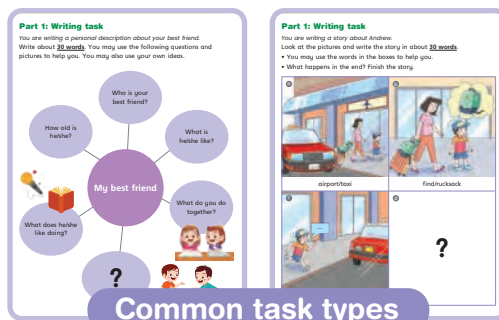
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School magazine article

A wide variety of text types

## Writing



Common task types



Vocabulary items for more writing ideas

### Text grammar for Writing

We write a description to give information about a topic. When we talk about a book, we may use **adjectives** to describe it, e.g. 'exciting'.

Videos explaining proper grammar usage for the target text types

## Speaking

Listen to the questions and answer them. You may use your answers above to help you. Then listen to the demonstration.



Useful words and phrases enriching students' language use

Practices and demonstrations provided via QR codes facilitating self-learning



Useful words and phrases

a cartoon a cookery show a documentary  
I enjoyed it/didn't enjoy it because ...

More details



Sharpen the essential skills

The practice goals in all units targeting important English exam aspects

## Reading 3

### Practice goal

I can understand subject pronouns.

Jay is reading a fairy tale. Read the fairy tale.

### A gift from the Tooth Fairy

Anna cries in front of the mirror because her tooth is falling out. 'Don't worry, Anna! You can get a gift from the Tooth Fairy soon,' says Mum. Anna puts her tooth in a round box. She puts the box near her doll Bobo.

At night, the Tooth Fairy visits Anna. She says, 'I have a gift for you. Look!' Anna is surprised. 'A carrot?' asks Anna.

'It's good for your teeth. It helps you see at night too,' says the Tooth Fairy. 'Really? Thank you!' says Anna.

The Tooth Fairy leaves. Anna holds up the carrot because her room is dark. 'It isn't shining. It can't help me see at night. Why?' asks Anna.



### Practice goal

I can understand subject pronouns.



2 Read line 6. The word 'She' refers to \_\_\_\_.

- ☐ A Anna
- ☐ B Bobo
- ☐ C Mum
- ☐ D the Tooth Fairy

Stay focused!  
Who says 'I have a gift for you'?



helping students achieve specific practice goals

A full set of mock paper for exam preparation

## Listening

### Part 2

Ann is talking to her friend Matt about a party. Listen to the conversation. Choose the best answer by blackening the circle. The conversation will be played two times. (1 mark each)

- 1 Ann usually has dinner with her \_\_\_\_ on Christmas Day.
  - ☐ A cousins
  - ☐ C grandparents
  - ☐ B friends
  - ☐ D parents

## Reading

### Part 3

Ann is reading a story. Read the story.

- [1] There were two twin boys in Cheery Town. They were John and Luke. They studied and played together. They shared their food and things. They did not quarrel.
- [2] It was a school holiday. John said, 'Mum and Dad are busy. Let's help with the housework!' John swept the floor and washed the clothes, but Luke just slept the whole day.
- [3] In the end, Luke did not do any housework. John was angry. 'You're lazy and selfish!' he shouted and walked away.
- [4] At night, John did not say a word. Luke was afraid because John did not speak to him. He said, 'I'm sorry, John. I must help with the housework next time. Please forgive me.'
- [5] John put his arm around Luke. 'OK,' he replied. The two boys smiled.

## Writing

You are Ivan. You are writing a story about Joe and his sister May. Look at the pictures and write the story in about 30 words.

- You may use the words in the boxes to help you.
- What happens in the end? Finish the story.



## Speaking

### Part 1: Reading aloud

Read the following text aloud.

Four seasons  
There are four seasons in a year. Children have fun in all seasons. Ivan likes summer. He wears his shorts. Kelly likes winter. She likes hotpot.

- ★ 16 units covering Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking
- ★ Practices with specific practice goals based on the latest public exam papers
- ★ Audio recordings for Speaking practices as demonstrations
- ★ 'Text grammar for Writing' videos for additional Writing support
- ★ Additional Mock paper for exam preparation

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