

## KJE Language Examination Centre



## B2 WRITTEN TEST

### Monolingual Exam

### ENGLISH

| Exam papers    | Maximum score    | Required minimum | Time allowed       | Dictionary  |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Use of English | 12 points        | none             | 65 minutes         | NOT allowed |
| Reading 1      | 16 points        | 12 points        |                    |             |
| Reading 2      | 12 points        |                  |                    |             |
| Writing 1      | 20 points        | 16 points        | 100 minutes        | allowed     |
| Writing 2      | 20 points        |                  |                    |             |
| <b>Total:</b>  | <b>80 points</b> | --               | <b>165 minutes</b> | --          |

**1. Use of English**

Read the text below. Some words are missing from the text. Choose the correct answer from the options (A, B, C or D) for each gap (1-15) in the text. Mark your answers with an X in the table on Answer Sheet 1. An example (0) has been given for you.

**Make Your Own Luck!**

Mary Wildbank, a yoga teacher, (0)   B   her husband Charles, a painter, had been searching for a new home on Long Island for more than a year, but every place they'd seen was either (1)        or unaffordable. After one long Sunday of unsuccessful house-hunting with their estate agent, the couple was anxious to get back home, but they (2)        at a traffic light right next to an old barn that was (3)        renovation. A construction worker working on the barn looked over at them and said, "Are you looking for a house?"

Though the barn didn't look like a house - it didn't (4)        have any visible windows, Mary and her husband got out of their car to take a look at the building. And they have never (5)        doing so. Inside the building there were beautiful historical details. "A normal family probably wouldn't have wanted it," says Mary. "But it (6)        have been better for us as we needed large spaces for my yoga classes and for Charles's studio." Mary and Charles agreed to buy the place from the construction worker, who (7)        the barn's owner. They will have lived there happily for two years next month. "If we (8)        to see the barn that afternoon, now we wouldn't have this wonderful home", Mary says smiling.

Mary and Charles could be considered fortunate. After all, (9)        are the chances that the owner stops you when you are in need of a home? Mary and Charles were (10)        who got lucky because they didn't miss the chance that life offered to them and went to see the barn.

People like Mary and Charles who spot and grab the opportunities are different from people who don't. They see possibilities that others don't. And if things don't (11)        the way they'd hoped, they forget disappointment and get on with their lives. (12)        they're happier and more likely to achieve their goals.

It is hard to study luck, yet recently scientists (13)        the surprisingly large role that luck plays in love and work. Richard Wiseman, a psychologist from the University of Hertfordshire, spent a decade (14)        luck. He found that luck was a significant factor that shaped the careers of people he studied. People who take advantage of luck are competent, self-confident, and they are not afraid to (15)        risks.

Richard Wiseman also found that those who call themselves lucky are more outgoing, so they are more likely to get lucky because they meet quite a few new people and keep in touch with a large group of friends and acquaintances. Consequently, they are more likely to get better jobs and find the perfect partner in love.

([www.psychologytoday.com](http://www.psychologytoday.com))

|     |                    |                         |                          |                     |
|-----|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| 0.  | A. moreover        | B. and                  | C. plus                  | D. besides          |
| 1.  | A. unsuitable      | B. unfit                | C. incapable             | D. incompetent      |
| 2.  | A. held up         | B. got stuck            | C. were keeping          | D. had kept         |
| 3.  | A. through         | B. on                   | C. under                 | D. in               |
| 4.  | A. occur           | B. seem                 | C. even                  | D. appear           |
| 5.  | A. regretted       | B. admitted             | C. missed                | D. felt sorry       |
| 6.  | A. might           | B. must                 | C. couldn't              | D. shouldn't        |
| 7.  | A. was the only    | B. ended up             | C. was found             | D. turned out to be |
| 8.  | A. couldn't stop   | B. hadn't stopped       | C. wouldn't have stopped | D. didn't stop      |
| 9.  | A. what            | B. how                  | C. which                 | D. they             |
| 10. | A. the lucky       | B. couple               | C. only people           | D. the ones         |
| 11. | A. get up          | B. turn down            | C. break out             | D. work out         |
| 12. | A. The reason why  | B. As a result,         | C. At last               | D. Unexpectedly     |
| 13. | A. are discovering | B. have been discovered | C. have discovered       | D. discover         |
| 14. | A. creating        | B. researching          | C. inventing             | D. designing        |
| 15. | A. get             | B. undertake            | C. make                  | D. take             |

## 2. Reading 1

Read the text below and then read the gapped summary that follows. Your task is to fill the gaps (1-8) according to what the text says with one word per line. Short forms like "isn't" or "don't" count as two words. Write your answers on the lines on **Answer Sheet 1**.

### Full text:

#### You'll Never Get Lost Again

Mobile phone maps have guided people through streets and alleys around the globe. But when those people step into a sprawling building, they can get lost.

Inside, people have to ask strangers for directions or search for a wall map. A number of recently appeared companies specialized in mapping are charting the interiors of shopping centres, sport centres and airports. Their maps keep mobile phone users from getting lost as they walk from the food court to the toilet in a huge shopping centre, for example. Some of their maps might even be able to locate cans of sardines in a sprawling grocery store.

FastMall, one of the indoor mapping companies, has a search engine to help users find stores on its maps. Enter “Banana Republic” (an American clothing store) and the service places a pin on the map to show the store’s location. Press the “take me there” button and the service offers a route to the destination. To find the nearest toilet, all that users have to do is shake their phone.

“It was my wife’s idea — she was six months pregnant and she couldn’t find a toilet,” said Ankit Agarwal, chief executive of FastMall. “It’s the same thing for people in wheelchairs or with strollers who need an elevator.”

In some cases these maps show details beyond the basic four walls. A map of the Ikea store shows an aisle winding through the store and the locations of departments like “children’s” and “wardrobe systems.” Indoor mapmakers are hoping to take the detail even further by allowing users to find individual products inside stores. Shoppers in a grocery store can search for “grapes,” for instance, and then get a map to the appropriate aisle. Retailers lose a large number of customers because shoppers cannot find what they want.

Because mobile Internet connections are sometimes difficult to make indoors, some of the services download their maps onto users’ phones when they first check in on the service. If the connection later fails, the user still has access to the map.

FastMall has created a library of nearly 2,000 maps, most of them of American shopping centres. Ankit Agarwal said his team could recreate a shopping centre floor plan in a couple of hours, based on originals that they find on the websites of the shopping centres. “We never have to visit the place,” Mr. Agarwal said.

For now, indoor mapmakers are giving most of their attention to shopping centres, although many of them hope to add casinos, stadiums, universities and hospitals - anything big enough to get lost in and that draws big crowds. They are also interested in outdoor destinations like theme parks, zoos and urban shopping districts.

The business of indoor mapping is still in its early stages, but with a very keen group of developers it will soon have a great deal of supporters. Mr. Agarwal said he was excited by the prospect of creating indoor maps of all the buildings that haven’t been mapped so far. Speaking about his service last month at a mobile phone conference at the University of California, he looked out of the window and declared, “I want to map every building on this campus.”

(www.nytimes.com)

**Gapped summary:**

The article introduces a new service that **(1)**\_\_\_\_\_ companies offer to mobile phone users, with which customers can find their **(2)**\_\_\_\_\_ in sprawling buildings. FastMall, for example, gives users a(n) **(3)**\_\_\_\_\_ to the store they want to visit.

The idea of this service (4) \_\_\_\_\_ a woman who was expecting a baby and who tried to find a toilet in a shopping centre. This woman's husband was the person who founded the company called FastMall.

FastMall also provides users with indoor maps that might be so (5) \_\_\_\_\_ that users can locate different departments in stores, or even the (6) \_\_\_\_\_ which they are looking for.

This company and others have been mostly involved in mapping huge buildings that (7) \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of people inside, where they might get lost, but they have also become interested in making maps for (8) \_\_\_\_\_ facilities.

### 3. Reading 2

*Read the text below. After the text you will find six questions or unfinished statements about the text, each with three suggested answers or ways of finishing. You must choose the one which you think fits best according to the text. Mark your answers with an X in the table on **Answer Sheet 1**.*

#### Travelling on Two Wheels in Cuba

My wife and me were covered with sweat, diesel exhaust and sunscreen when we coasted up to a man wearing just-shined shoes and drinking rum from a plastic cup. He looked at our crinkled map, nodded, told us we probably wanted to go south to the beach at San Luis and then walked off as we tried to explain that we were headed north.

Next we tried an older woman, who put on her huge reading glasses to examine the map. She held it upside down and agreed that San Luis was probably where we were headed.

It was Day 3 of our biking tour of Cuba, where I navigated the route myself. Although we were not fully aware where we were, fortunately, everyone - including a baseball team playing by the side of the road - was trying to help.

We had arrived in Cuba on a late-night flight from San Jose, Costa Rica, staying that first night in the home of a friendly, fast-talking couple who rented us a small room in their bright blue Havana apartment and kindly stored our bicycle boxes until our return seven days later. Pedalling west out of the city, along its seaside roads, we had passed apartment buildings hung with laundry, grand hotels and nationalist slogans carved in pieces of wood and nailed to telephone poles.

Now we were somewhere in Pinar del Rio province, the country's tobacco capital. We'd taken a wrong turn and were trying to find a shortcut back to our route, where our guidebook said we'd find a small guesthouse to eat something quickly.

We didn't have reservations or a phone number, but we crossed our fingers, turning down a dirt road that didn't appear on the map. We hunched our shoulders, pedalled faster and laughed.

Soaked and shivering late that rainy afternoon, we finally rolled up to a horse ranch that resembled an eco-hotel. A young woman who seemed to do all the business tasks of the hotel by

herself offered us a luckily vacant room in the high-ceilinged farmhouse, where a flier beside the bed boasted such attractions as horseback riding, cockfighting and crocodile-breeding.

We opted instead for hot showers and cold mojitos. However exhausted we were, we did not have a restful sleep because of the occasional cry of a peacock outside our window.

The next morning our lonely-seeming hotelier served us a large plate of locally-grown mango and pineapple for breakfast and said that we did not have to bother with the chunks of dried mud our bikes had left in her lobby.

Our took-a-wrong-turn route meant that we had covered a mere 12 miles the day before. That left us with nearly 100 miles to our next destination, Maria la Gorda, a white-sand beach at the island's western tip.

In a tiny, cramped store selling an assortment of imported goods, we waited to buy bottled water in a slow-moving line that snaked toward a counter where a sole cashier was working. The line was full of women who seemed at first not to notice the sweaty foreigners who were unable to tolerate delay. But then an older woman with kind eyes turned toward us.

"It's boring for us, too," she said. A younger woman near the front of the line took pity on us and pushed us up to the counter ahead of her, where we scored our cold water.

([www.washingtonpost.com](http://www.washingtonpost.com))

1. *Which is TRUE according to the article?*
  - a) The man drinking rum was just polishing his footwear when the couple arrived.
  - b) The older woman kept the map in the right position to help the couple.
  - c) The man and the older woman had the same opinion about the couple's destination.
  
2. *The couple ...*
  - a) did not take their bike boxes with them on the bike tour.
  - b) could see political sentences painted on the walls of hotels.
  - c) spent their first night at some luxurious accommodation in Cuba.
  
3. *According to the article, the couple ...*
  - a) had booked a room in advance in a small guesthouse in Pinar del Rio province.
  - b) hoped for the best when they chose an unknown road.
  - c) Neither a) nor b) is true.
  
4. *What do we learn about the horse ranch?*
  - a) It was probably operated by several owners.
  - b) It offered some entertainment facilities.
  - c) The owner of it served the guests some tropical fruit bought in the local supermarket.
  
5. *Which is TRUE according to the article?*
  - a) The hotelier was angry with the couple because of the dirt falling from their bicycles.

- b) Although there were some noisy domestic animals at the farmhouse, the couple was able to sleep well.
- c) The couple had to pedal more than it had been planned to reach the beach.

6. *In the store ...*

- a) the couple waited calmly in the queue.
- b) there was only one person at the cash-desk.
- c) the younger woman did not help the couple get back on the road quickly.

#### 4. Writing 1 – Letter to the Editor

You have read the following in a magazine:

“75% of British college students who were asked about their attitude to the internet said that they would rather have internet access than a car. One third of them now consider the internet to be as important as air, water, food and housing.”

*The Daily Telegraph*

Write a **formal letter** to the editor of the magazine in which you have to include all the content points that are given below. Write 2 or 3 ideas to support each content point. Write 140-160 words. You may use a dictionary.

**Please DO NOT write more than 160 words.**

Write about

- what young Hungarians use the internet for
- the advantages of using the internet for young people
- the dangers of using the internet for young people

#### 5. Writing 1 – Informal E-mail

Write an **informal e-mail** to your English friend. You have to include all the content points that are given below. Support each content point with 2-3 ideas. Write 120-140 words. You may use a dictionary.

**Please DO NOT write more than 140 words.**

You have reserved a wellness weekend in a Hungarian town and you would like your English friend to go with you.

Write about

- why you have decided to spend a weekend in a wellness hotel
- which town you have chosen and why
- the facilities of the wellness hotel you have chosen to stay at



**ANSWER SHEET 1**

**1. Use of English (Make Your Own Luck!)**

|   | A | B | C | D |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0 |   | X |   |   |
| 1 |   |   |   |   |
| 2 |   |   |   |   |
| 3 |   |   |   |   |
| 4 |   |   |   |   |
| 5 |   |   |   |   |
| 6 |   |   |   |   |
| 7 |   |   |   |   |

|    | A | B | C | D |
|----|---|---|---|---|
| 8  |   |   |   |   |
| 9  |   |   |   |   |
| 10 |   |   |   |   |
| 11 |   |   |   |   |
| 12 |   |   |   |   |
| 13 |   |   |   |   |
| 14 |   |   |   |   |
| 15 |   |   |   |   |

**2. Reading 1 (You'll Never Get Lost Again)**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Reading 2 (Travelling on Two Wheels in Cuba)**

|   | A | B | C |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 |   |   |   |
| 2 |   |   |   |
| 3 |   |   |   |
| 4 |   |   |   |
| 5 |   |   |   |
| 6 |   |   |   |

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|---|-----------------|--|-------|--|--------------------------------|
| 1. Use of English:<br>Maximum score: 15 – 3 = 12 points | Achieved score: |  | - 3 = |  | Required minimum:<br>none      |
| 2. Reading 1.:<br>Maximum score: 8 x 2 = 16 points      | Achieved score: |  | x 2   |  | Required minimum:<br>12 points |
| 3. Reading 2.:<br>Maximum score: 6 x 2 = 12 points      | Achieved score: |  | x 2   |  |                                |

Total:

**KEY:****1. Use of English (Make Your Own Luck!)**

|   | A | B | C | D |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0 |   | X |   |   |
| 1 | X |   |   |   |
| 2 |   | X |   |   |
| 3 |   |   | X |   |
| 4 |   |   | X |   |
| 5 | X |   |   |   |
| 6 |   |   | X |   |
| 7 |   |   |   | X |

|    | A | B | C | D |
|----|---|---|---|---|
| 8  |   | X |   |   |
| 9  | X |   |   |   |
| 10 |   |   |   | X |
| 11 |   |   |   | X |
| 12 |   | X |   |   |
| 13 |   |   | X |   |
| 14 |   | X |   |   |
| 15 |   |   |   | X |

**2. Reading 1 (You'll Never Get Lost Again)**

1. mapping/ map-making/ mapmaking/ charting
2. way/ position/ location/ destination(s)
3. route/ directions
4. came from/ came to/ originated from/ originates from
5. detailed/ comprehensive/ thorough/ precise
6. individual products/ different items/ nearest toilet/ goods that
7. attract/ draw
8. outdoor

**3. Reading 2 (Travelling on Two Wheels in Cuba)**

|   | A | B | C |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 |   |   | X |
| 2 | X |   |   |
| 3 |   | X |   |
| 4 |   | X |   |
| 5 |   |   | X |
| 6 |   | X |   |