Examen VMBO-GL en TL

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dinsdag 19 mei
13.30 - 15.30 uur

Engels CSE GL en TL

Bij dit examen horen een bijlage en een uitwerkbijlage.

Beantwoord alle vragen in de uitwerkbijlage.

Dit examen bestaat uit 41 vragen.
Voor dit examen zijn maximaal 45 punten te behalen.
Voor elk vraagnummer staat hoeveel punten met een goed antwoord behaald kunnen worden.

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Let op: beantwoord een open vraag altijd in het Nederlands, behalve als het anders is aangegeven. Als je in het Engels antwoordt, levert dat 0 punten op.

Tekst 1 Tube buskers wanted to audition for new pitches

1p **1** What becomes clear about busking spots in stations from the text?

A They are exclusively reserved for professionally trained performers.
B They are in locations where lots of people will see and hear the performers.
C They are perfectly suited for performing and improving new material.
D They are quite expensive because performers need to purchase a permit.

1p **2** 'auditions to perform at official busking spots' (eerste zin)

→ In welke zin wordt meer informatie gegeven over de locatie van de audities?

Citeer (= schrijf over uit de tekst) de eerste twee woorden van deze zin.

Tekst 2 Snail-inspired superglue

1p **3** 'Snail-inspired superglue' (title)

Why did the scientists study snails to make this glue?

A Snails are experts at surviving in moist and sticky surroundings.
B Snails have the ability to stick and then detach themselves again.
C Snails release a slime that joins materials in damp circumstances.
D Snails' organic structure is a mix of spongy and hard components.

1p **4** What disadvantage does the snail-inspired glue still have, according to paragraph 3?

A It can hold weight for just a limited period of time.
B It contains ingredients that are harmful to nature.
C It must be produced in a specialised laboratory.
D It only works if it is kept away from liquids.

1p **5** How can paragraph 4 be characterised best?

A It examines the long-term effectiveness of the glue.
B It explains the main reason for fabricating the glue.
C It lists the major health benefits of the glue.
D It mentions practical advantages of the glue.

Tekst 3 Fish and Chips

1p **6** 'Fish and Chips' (title)
How does the writer introduce the topic in paragraph 1?
A by describing a gross habit
B by giving a graphic description
C by making an absurd claim
D by sharing an exclusive experience

1p **7** 'There is no dish more popular in our country than fish and chips.' (alinea 1)
→ In welke **andere** alinea wordt deze opmerking bevestigd?
Noteer het nummer van deze alinea in de uitwerkbijlage.

1p **8** Which of the following fits the gap in paragraph 3?
A Besides
B For example
C In addition
D In fact
E Nevertheless

1p **9** Which of the following aspects of the dish is **not discussed** in this article?
A its commercial success
B its historic origins
C its international appeal
D its nutritional value

Tekst 4 Turning the Page

1p **10** What is the reason that teenagers do not read that often, according to paragraph 2?
A They are used to entertainment that is easy and quick.
B They feel that reading is regarded as unpopular.
C They find it hard nowadays to find books that they like.

1p **11** Which method that can help motivate teenagers to read is **not used** by Holly Godfree, judging from paragraph 3?
A promote books based on personal experience
B recommend books with passion and commitment
C suggest specific books for each individual
D try to find and read new books all the time

1p **12** Wanneer stoppen ouders met voorlezen, volgens alinea 4?
Geef antwoord in het Nederlands.

1p **13** What is the **main point** made in paragraph 5?

A Children do not consider reading a fun activity because of school.
B Research shows that children's level of reading has dropped.
C Schools should stop assessing children because it is stressful.
D The internet has always been more appealing to children.

1p **14** What advice does Dr Merga give to parents, according to paragraph 6?

A Balance screen time.
B Encourage curiosity.
C Promote different books.
D Set a good example.

1p **15** What is the **main purpose** of the text?

A to convince society of the need for teenagers to read regularly
B to criticise parents and schools for demotivating teenagers to read
C to inform people about ways to promote reading to teenagers
D to provide scientific evidence to explain why teenagers read less

Tekst 5 The refugee who turned game designer

1p **16** What is the **main function** of paragraphs 1-2?

A to clarify why Lual was so keen on getting rich
B to demonstrate that Lual hated being the object of pity
C to explain why others had faith in Lual's ambitions
D to show the circumstances Lual grew up in

1p **17** Which of the following is **not true** about the game 'Salaam', according to paragraph 3?

A It was a hit on social media from the start.
B It was bought by game designers abroad.
C It was made to be played on cell phones.
D Its goal was to entertain displaced kids.

1p **18** Which of the following fits the gap in paragraph 4?

A internet is available to everyone
B violent games aren't so popular
C we don't have to teach empathy
D you can choose your own path

1p **19** What becomes clear about the new version of Salaam from paragraph 4?

A It aims to transform a traumatic experience into an adventure.
B It gives players opportunities to improve real-life circumstances.
C It has a more sophisticated look and feel than its prototype.
D It wants to inform people about the causes of mass emigration.

1p **20** What can be concluded about Lual from paragraphs 5-6?

A He invests his money in projects that are bound to be profitable.
B He prefers designing new games over doing charitable work.
C He tries to interest tech-companies in purchasing his products.
D He wants to give others chances to get further in life.

1p **21** '"I wouldn't be where I am today if my mother had not given me something that actually changed my life"' (alinea 6)

→ In welke zin zegt Lual **voor het eerst** dat hij zo ver is gekomen dankzij zijn moeder?

Citeer (= schrijf over uit de tekst) de eerste twee woorden van deze zin in de uitwerkbijlage.

Tekst 6 Your Cat Hears You

1p **22** Which of the following fits the gap in paragraph 1?

A have developed their own language
B need to know their owners love them
C pretend to ignore their caregivers
D react to who is doing the talking
E understand we like their nature

1p **23** De volgende stukjes tekst passen in de lege plek in alinea 2 (zie **[…23…]**), maar ze staan niet in de juiste volgorde.

→ Schrijf de letters van deze stukjes tekst in de juiste volgorde op in de uitwerkbijlage.

[a] At first, Dr. de Mouzon and her team were worried that the cats weren't reacting at all. But then they studied film recordings of the encounters.

[b] Cats are often so stressed by being in a lab that meaningful behavioral observations become impossible. And forget about trying to get a cat to sit still for an M.R.I. scan to study its brain function.

[c] So the researchers for the latest study went to the cats' homes and played recordings of different types of speech and different speakers.

1p **24** What is the point made about cats in paragraph 3?

A They are less self-sufficient than previously acknowledged.
B They form a strong attachment to people who regularly play with them.
C They require specific physical, mental and social attention.
D They respond to their owners in the same way they would to a parent.

1p **25** What does Dr. Sarah Jeannin say about dog owners in paragraph 4?

A They appreciate the submissive nature of dogs.
B They choose dogs that look similar to themselves.
C They greatly underestimate their dogs' intelligence.
D They interpret dog behaviour in a way that suits them.

1p **26** Which of the following fits the gap in paragraph 5?

A arrogance
B gentleness
C innocence
D uselessness

1p **27** '"would you go?"' (final sentence)
What does this question make clear?

A that cats and dogs deserve to be treated with respect
B that cats and humans need more sleep than dogs
C that cats and humans sometimes behave quite similarly

Tekst 7

3p **28** Geef aan of de volgende beweringen overeenkomen met het fragment uit *Front Lines*.
Omcirkel 'wel' of 'niet' achter elk nummer in de uitwerkbijlage.

1 Rainy weet dat ze op veel onderdelen van de opleiding goed scoort.
2 Rainy moet aan andere eisen voldoen dan haar mannelijke collega's.
3 Rainy is aangenomen op de vervolgopleiding omdat het leger te weinig soldaten heeft.
4 Rainy en Sergeant Andy Sprinter zijn ongeveer even goed.
5 Rainy is kritisch over de kwaliteit van de opleiding.

1p **29** 'On the downside – or what Colonel Derry will no doubt see as the upside' (begin derde alinea)

→ Wat is de reden dat Colonel Derry de slechte schietvaardigheden van Rainy als een voordeel ziet?

Geef antwoord in het Nederlands.

1p **30** Which of the following fits the gap in the text?

A approves of
B has ignored
C has predicted
D wonders about

Tekst 8 How to spot if someone lies?

1p **31** How does the writer introduce the topic of the article in paragraph 1?

A by listing some research facts about it
B by questioning the readers' concerns about it
C by sparking the readers' curiosity about it
D by stressing some shocking facts about it

1p **32** Waaraan merk je **het beste** dat iemand liegt, volgens alinea 2?
Geef antwoord in het Nederlands.

1p **33** Which of the following fits the gap in paragraph 3?

A are in control
B can look disrespectful
C must be arrogant
D will be anxious

1p **34** What do lie tellers and truth tellers have in common, according to paragraph 3?

A They are sure that their account of events will convince interviewers.
B They want more time to prepare themselves for an interrogation.
C They will try to hide indicators that show they feel uncomfortable.

1p **35** 'They typically do not provide all the information they know at first' (alinea 4)

→ Hoeveel **verschillende** redenen waarom 'truth tellers' niet meteen alles vertellen wat ze weten, worden er in alinea 4 genoemd?
Noteer het aantal.

1p **36** Which of the following fits the gap in paragraph 5?

A flatter their interrogators
B keep their stories simple
C practice their answers first
D stress their innocence

1p **37** Which of the following fits the gap in paragraph 6?

A However
B Likewise
C Moreover
D Therefore

Tekst 9 What was the dust bowl?

1p **38** 'severe dust storms' (alinea 1)

→ In welke zin verderop in de tekst worden **voor het eerst** oorzaken van deze stormen genoemd?

Citeer (= schrijf over uit de tekst) de eerste twee woorden van deze zin in de uitwerkbijlage.

1p **39** Which of the following becomes clear from this text?

A Extreme weather conditions can occur anywhere.
B Large-scale farming projects can have a positive effect on rural areas.
C People still suffer from mistakes made in the past.
D Removing local vegetation can have environmental consequences.

Tekst 10 Mistakes that all novice karters make

2p **40** 'Mistakes that all novice karters make' (titel)

→ Welk kopje hoort bij welke alinea?

Noteer de letter van het kopje achter elk nummer in de uitwerkbijlage.
Let op: er blijven vier kopjes over.

Kies uit*:*

a Accelerating too aggressively
b Changing course in unexpected ways
c Failing to spot what lies ahead
d Moving your hands on the wheel
e Not using the entire track
f Overtaking in corners
g Reducing speed insufficiently
h Turning in too early

Tekst 11 Jet suit ‘could save lives’

2p **41** Geef aan of de volgende beweringen over ‘jet suits’ overeenkomen met de inhoud van de tekst.
Omcirkel ‘wel’ of ‘niet’ achter elk nummer in de uitwerkbijlage.

1 Ze kunnen gebruikt worden om bij hooggelegen plekken te komen.
2 Ze zijn op maat gemaakt voor het medisch personeel ter plekke.
3 Ze verbruiken verrassend weinig brandstof tijdens een vlucht.
4 Ze gaan uitgerust worden met een aantal essentiële medische hulpmiddelen.

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