

ESAME DI STATO – LINGUA INGLESE  
SCUOLA SECONDARIA DI PRIMO GRADO  
**Get Ready for Exams – Keys**

## NUOVO ESAME DI STATO – PROVA SCRITTA

### READING COMPREHENSION

#### Charles Darwin

**1**

1 F: Charles Darwin was interested in science.

2 T

3 F: On the origin of species was published in 1859, 20 years later.

4 T

**2**

1 a

2 d

3 c

**3**

1 Shrewsbury is not far from Wales.

2 Darwin was a naturalist.

3 He recorded his observations in his notebooks and collected all types of organisms.

4 Darwin was afraid of publishing On the origin of species because people believed that the great variety of animals and species was created by God.

5 People were shocked.

6 Because his theory of evolution changed the way we consider life on earth for ever.

7 *Open*

8 *Open*

#### Hispanic heritage in the USA

**1**

1 F: There are 55 million Hispanics.

2 T

3 F: Many Hispanic people are bilingual/speak English.

4 F: The Hispanic-Mexican style is simple.

5 F: It is celebrated in Los Angeles.

6 T

**2**

1 b

2 d

3 b

4 d

**3**

- 1 Texas, New Mexico, Nevada and California belonged to/were part of the Spanish Empire.
- 2 They became part of the USA during the 19th century.
- 3 Many buildings were constructed/built in Hispanic-Mexican style.
- 4 Latino television channels help to promote Hispanic culture.
- 5 Puerto Rican Parade takes place in June in New York.
- 6 Because street performers, traditional music, dance and food attract a lot of people.
- 7 *Open*
- 8 *Open*

### **The land down under**

**1**

- 1 T
- 2 T
- 3 T
- 4 F: Sydney is located around Sydney Harbour.
- 5 T
- 6 T

**2**

- 1 c
- 2 a
- 3 d
- 4 a

**3**

- 1 The Pacific Ocean and the Indian Ocean surround Australia.
- 2 Because the climate is temperate.
- 3 The city of Sydney was founded in 1788.
- 4 They are located in Sydney Harbour.
- 5 Sydney Harbour Bridge was completed/built in 1932.
- 6 *Open*
- 7 *Open*

### **The art of skyscrapers**

**1**

- 1 c
- 2 d
- 3 d
- 4 b

**2**

- 1 T
- 2 T
- 3 T
- 4 F: The Freedom Tower is the highest building in the western hemisphere.
- 5 F: They help insulate buildings, reduce the heat, they contribute to sustainable development.
- 6 F: You can also grow vegetables on roofs.

**3**

- 1 The first skyscraper was built there in 1885.
- 2 The use of steel and the invention of the elevator contributed to the development of skyscrapers.
- 3 Art Deco characterizes the Chrysler Building.
- 4 The Empire State Building has 102 floors.
- 5 Green technology is now adopted in the construction of buildings to consume less energy.
- 6 Some of the first green roofs were planted in New York and Chicago.
- 7 *Open*
- 8 *Open*

### **The Christmas Truce**

**1**

- 1 b
- 2 b
- 3 d
- 4 d

**2**

- 1 F: The soldiers did not go into no man's land. They crossed it during the truce.
- 2 F: German and British soldiers were enemies.
- 3 F: German soldiers started the truce.
- 4 F: The Christmas truce lasted for a few days.
- 5 T

**3**

- 1 Because there were a lot of trenches on the western front.
- 2 Life in the trenches was terrible (the trenches were full of mud, rats, fleas and dead bodies).
- 3 The Germans sang Silent Night.
- 4 Soldiers gave chocolates, cakes, jam, whisky and cigarettes to each other.
- 5 People at home read about the truce in the newspapers.
- 6 Suggested answer: It represents an example of friendship between enemies.
- 7 *Open*
- 8 *Open*

### **Human computers**

**1**

- 1 b
- 2 d
- 3 b
- 4 b

**2**

- 1 F: The story of human computers became popular after the film Hidden Figures.
- 2 T

3 T

4 F: She attended night classes.

5 F: She couldn't be present because she was a woman.

6 F: Katherine got the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

3

1 They had a special talent for calculations. / They were very good at mathematics.

2 Because they had to work a lot and had to face prejudice and injustice.

3 African Americans were paid less, they did not get promotion, there were segregated libraries, dining rooms, toilets and coffee machines.

4 No, because nobody trusted a female computer programmer.

5 Mary obtained permission to attend night classes.

6 Katherine got the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2015, when she was 97.

7 *Open*

8 *Open*

## COMPLETING A TEXT AND RE-ORDERING A TEXT

1

1 a

2 c

3 a

4 b

5 a

6 c

7 a

8 c

2

1 from

2 crossed

3 other

4 didn't

5 in

6 about

7 toys

8 by

Extra words: with, at

3

3, 4, 1, 5, 2

## RE-WRITING A TEXT

4 *Suggested answer:*

Elizabeth Brown was born on 20th May 1998 in Manchester. She lives at 82, Lyme Drive, Bristol, in the UK. Her email address is elibrown98@youmail.com. She is a university student at Leeds University. She is a student of Business Administration. She can speak

and write Spanish well and she can speak French fluently. She worked as a shop assistant at New Boutique in Leeds. She is a friendly girl and she likes working with people. She does karate and she likes classical music and travelling. She has been to the USA and Canada.

**5 Suggested answer:**

Yesterday was Jane's birthday. She was 18 yesterday. She was very lucky. The weather was sunny and it was not raining. She celebrated that special day with a big party. The party started at 4pm. All her friends came to the party and they talked, danced and sang. Jane didn't want to wear jeans and trainers because her friends were wearing elegant clothes. The house was clean and tidy. There were a lot of snacks, sandwiches and drinks on the table. Her mum made her favourite chocolate cake and her dad put up paper lamps in the garden. They wanted to eat the cake outdoors. She organized a treasure hunt. She was quite excited. She was curious because she knew her friends had a special surprise for her, but she didn't know what it was.

## WRITING A GUIDED DIALOGUE

*Open*

## EMAILS AND LETTERS

*Open*

## NUOVO ESAME DI STATO – PROVA ORALE

*Open*

## INVALSI

## READING COMPREHENSION

### Prova 2

#### **Task A**

- 1 B
- 2 C
- 3 A

#### **Task B**

- 1 B
- 2 C
- 3 D
- 4 A
- 5 D

#### **Task C**

- 1 F
- 2 T
- 3 T

- 4 T
- 5 NG
- 6 F
- 7 F
- 8 NG

**Task D**

- 1 C
- 2 A
- 3 B
- 4 C

**Prova 3**

**Task A**

- 1 Lake eco-adventure camp
- 2 142, Oak
- 3 11
- 4 August
- 5 145
- 6 week
- 7 [www.great-lake.com](http://www.great-lake.com)
- 8 [jasmpalr@great-lake.com](mailto:jasmpalr@great-lake.com)

**Task B**

- 1 F
- 2 T
- 3 NG
- 4 NG
- 5 F
- 6 F
- 7 T
- 8 F

**Task C**

- 1 A
- 2 B
- 3 A
- 4 C

**LISTENING COMPREHENSION**

**Prova 1**

- 1 D
- 2 C
- 3 I
- 4 A
- 5 J
- 6 H

- 7 E
- 8 G
- 9 F
- 10 B

### **Prova 2**

- 1 Three
- 2 Four months
- 3 England
- 4 Italy
- 5 Fourteen
- 6 September 12th
- 7 French, Italian
- 8 Reading, Swimming
- 9 Swimming instructor
- 10 25 King Street

### **Prova 3**

- 1 D
- 2 A
- 3 B
- 4 D
- 5 B
- 6 C
- 7 C
- 8 B
- 9 C
- 10 D

### **Prova 4**

- 1 1564
- 2 Stratford-upon-Avon
- 3 52
- 4 French, Latin
- 5 English
- 6 He left school
- 7 Less than 500
- 8 over 3000
- 9 plays, poems
- 10 all over the world

## **LANGUAGE IN USE**

### **Prova 1**

#### **Task A**

- 1 B
- 2 D

- 3 A
- 4 D
- 5 C

**Task B**

- 1 am
- 2 have lived
- 3 stayed
- 4 was watching;
- 5 saw
- 6 decided
- 7 am going to visit
- 8 pass
- 9 will stay
- 10 will be

**Task C**

- 1 Can you look after my sister for a few minutes, please?
- 2 You mustn't be late.
- 3 You shouldn't go out with this cold.
- 4 I would like a hamburger, please.
- 5 Can I borrow your bike?

**Prova 2**

**Task A**

- 1 C
- 2 B
- 3 C
- 4 B
- 5 D

**Task B**

- 1 Horrible!
- 2 Lovely!
- 3 Hi, I'm ...
- 4 I don't agree
- 5 Good morning!

**Task C**

- 1 or
- 2 but
- 3 and
- 4 but
- 5 or

**Task D**

- 1 D
- 2 E
- 3 C
- 4 A
- 5 B