



Onderwijs en  
Ontwikkeling

# Toelatingsexamens en Ondersteunend Onderwijs

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## PRACTICE EXAM

**Code:** ENG

**Subject:** English reading practice exam

**Available time:** 120 minutes (2 hours)

**Candidates are allowed to use the following aids/materials:** dictionary

**Number of questions:** 18

**Pages:** 4

**Attachement:** Textbook English reading practice exam

### Instructions

**Fill out your name on the multiple choice answer form.**

**Mark one answer per question only.**

**Good luck with your exam.**

### Text 1: Kilt

1. What does “that” in the first line refer to? It refers to...
  - a. a teenager who was cross-dressing in school.
  - b. a teenager who was wearing a kilt to school.
  - c. Connery who should discipline the boy for cross-dressing.
  - d. the fact that someone thought wearing a kilt was cross-dressing.
  
2. What’s the tone in line 3 (...the name might, rightly, suggest some Scottish ancestry...)?
  - a. Annoyed.
  - b. Ironic.
  - c. Offended.
  - d. Surprised.
  
3. Why did Gavin wear a kilt to school?
  - a. He needed it for a class project.
  - b. He wanted to be cool.
  - c. He wanted to promote the McFarland clan.
  - d. He wanted to start a debate.
  
4. Last sentence: “Young Gavin has certainly helped raise the profile”. What is meant by this?
  - a. The incident has given prominent attention to the MacFarlane Clan.
  - b. The incident has led to media attention for traditional Scottish kilts.
  - c. The incident has raised a lot of money for the Clan MacFarlane Heritage Center.
  - d. The incident has started a debate on cross-dressing at school.
  
5. What’s the main aim of the article? The main aim of the article is to ...
  - a. inform and amuse the reader of the article.
  - b. inform Sean Connery about the incident.
  - c. introduce the reader to the MacFarlane Clan.
  - d. raise money for the MacFarlane Clan.

### Text 2: Spring Martini

6. “Two tips...” What’s the tone of these tips? The author tries to...
  - a. advise.
  - b. amuse.
  - c. criticize.
  - d. warn.

7. What should you do if you'd like to enter the competition with a recipe of your own? You should...
- a. click it.
  - b. e-mail it.
  - c. send it by post.
  - d. share it.

**Text 3: Made for each other**

8. The first paragraph of this text introduces...
- a. a survey about the importance of pets.
  - b. a theory about the importance of pets.
  - c. Friedmann as a health scientist.
  - d. the subject of pets.
9. What's the link between paragraph 2 and 3?
- a. Cause and effect.
  - b. Chronological.
  - c. Contradictory.
  - d. Illustrative.
10. Why does the first line of paragraph 3 say "the theory goes"? Because...
- a. it is a matter of speech.
  - b. scientists are not sure.
  - c. the author is referring to the survey.
  - d. the author likes to appear scientific.
11. What's the link between paragraph 3 and 4?
- a. Chronological.
  - b. Conditional.
  - c. Contradictory.
  - d. Illustrative.
12. What kind of article is this text? This is...
- a. a book review.
  - b. an article for pet lovers.
  - c. a scientific review.
  - d. a scientific survey.

13. What's the best summary for this article's conclusion? People...

- a. don't get enough oxytocin.
- b. have bad memories.
- c. love pets.
- d. need pets.

**Text 4: Games of Chance**

14. What's the link between paragraph 2 and 3?

- a. Concluding.
- b. Contradictory.
- c. Illustrative.
- d. Sequential.

15. What's the main aim of this article?

- a. Ban all kinds of boxing.
- b. Promote innovative programs and Philips.
- c. Provide key facts about sports.
- d. Warn people not to play sports.

16. Which paragraph is the most positive about sports?

- a. None.
- b. The first.
- c. The last.

17. Which is *not* one of the possible downsides of playing sports?

- a. Brain damage.
- b. Cardiac arrest.
- c. Depression.
- d. Knee ligament injuries.

18. What is the *overall* tone of the article?

- a. Accusative.
- b. Neutral.
- c. Warning.
- d. Worried.