



PAU mock exam 1

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- 1 True. 'can make us feel uncomfortable and alone.'
- 2 True. 'This is because it is collective, ... in unison.'
- 3 True. 'it helps people to feel safe as they express their extreme emotions.'

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- 1 Aspects of everyday life that add to noise pollution are traffic, mobile phones, talking and the noise in our own heads.
- 2 Silence was first used as a sign of respect in 1910 after the death of King Edward VII.

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- 1 She asked if I could imagine a world without sound.
- 2 Silence is disliked by many people.
- 3 Possible answer: If tragedy strikes, silence is used as a sign of respect.
- 4 Some cities today, which have a lot of traffic, are very noisy.

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- 1 needless 2 well-being 3 mourning
- 4 in unison

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Students' own answers.

PAU mock exam 2

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- 1 False. 'They want to redistribute the holidays 'more evenly across the school year.'
- 2 False. 'pupils struggle to concentrate after six weeks off.'
- 3 True. 'there would still be the same number of teaching days.'

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- 1 Critics say that the present system is old-fashioned as it was necessary in the past in rural areas when children helped in the fields.
- 2 The important message for parents is that there would be the same number of teaching days after the changes.

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- 1 He said (that) they would be open to a reduction in the next / following summer holiday.
- 2 Professionals and parents will decide (on) the distribution of hours and holidays.
- 3 Parents, whose children form part of the educational system, should be informed of any changes.
- 4 Possible answer: If summer holidays were cut, there would still be the same number of teaching days.

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- 1 spread out 2 argue that 3 support
- 4 throughout

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Students' own answers.

PAU mock exam 3

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- 1 True. 'their ability to pay attention, problem solve and control their behaviour'.
- 2 True. 'There was little difference (with) the group that watched *Caillou*, but (they were) negatively affected by *SpongeBob*'.
- 3 False. 'The findings have been defended by The American Academy of Pediatrics'.

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- 1 *SpongeBob* has been criticised because it might damage children's ability to pay attention, problem/solve and control their behaviour.
- 2 The main difference between *SpongeBob* and *Caillou* is that *Caillou* is a slower-paced educational cartoon.
- 3 The American Academy of Pediatrics is asking parents to restrict the amount of television their children watch.

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- 1 Lillard said that it was possible that the fast pacing may disrupt the child's ability to concentrate immediately afterward.
- 2 The American Academy of Pediatrics has defended the findings.
- 3 Children who watch more than four hours of television a day show behavioural alterations.

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- 1 c 2 a 3 e 4 b 5 d

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Students' own answers.

PAU mock exam 4

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- 1 True. 'It's going to take until 2109 for there to be parity between men and women'.
- 2 False. 'we will use clean nuclear fusion to meet all our energy needs'.
- 3 True. 'how crowded our planet will become. We could see sea levels rising ... which would create even less space'.

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- 1 Space tourism will be old news because it will have been around for a long time and be commonplace.
- 2 Women can look forward to equal pay and longer life expectancy.

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- 1 In 2100 the temperature will be four degrees higher.
- 2 The changes in the world will be so important that we won't speak about anything else.

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- 1 c 2 a 3 d 4 e 5 b

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Students' own answers.

PAU mock exam 5

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- 1 True. 'In fact, many of us would be lost without it.'
- 2 True. 'we expose ... phone provider to other companies.'
- 3 True. 'Most people think the police should be allowed to use this data.'

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- 1 The advantages of having a smartphone are that we can get maps, up-to-date news and information and can carry out many different administrative tasks on these devices.
- 2 Privacy is changing with smartphones because different companies are able to access our private information without us being aware of it.

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- 1 Social networks, whose role is to share personal information and experiences, can threaten individual privacy.

1 have been

2 seems

3 would suffer

4 were able to

5 would / will be capable of



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- 1 countless 2 track 3 survey
4 debating

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Students' own answers.

PAU mock exam 6

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- 1 False. 'The UK and other European countries recently celebrated ...'
2 True. 'Friday 8th May – 70 years previously.'
3 False. 'A group of aircraft from the RAF...'

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- 1 Soldiers who fought in World War Two managed to secure peace and liberty for future generations.
2 There was a concert where music from the 1940s could be heard.

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- 1 If millions of young men hadn't given their lives, peace wouldn't have been ensured for future generations.
2 The people observed a two-minute silence at 3pm.
3 Although many of the soldiers who fought in the war had already died, their families went to the remembrance service.

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- 1 d 2 b 3 e 4 c 5 a

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Students' own answers.

PAU mock exam 7

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- 1 False. 'from a packet ... from a jar'.
2 False. 'the average British mother cooks almost identically to the way her own mother did'.
3 True. 'Genuine advances have taken place in British eating ... restaurants are braver'.

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- 1 The author thinks that limiting the survey just to British mums is somewhat sexist.
2 In the last 30 years restaurants are braver, consumers care more about animal welfare on farms, and there are more aspirational cooking TV programmes.
3 New dishes are criticised for probably being from packets or jars.

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Possible answers:

- 1 You should cook using natural ingredients.
2 I'd be extremely healthy if I did sport every day and ate good, fresh food.
3 I feel tired because I haven't eaten anything all morning.

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- 1 survey 2 results 3 merely
4 genuine

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Students' own answers.

PAU mock exam 8

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- 1 True. 'The removal of protests that did not have the blessing of authorities'.
2 True. 'The coalition appears to be abandoning any attempt to behave like a democratic government'.
3 False. 'Measures are in line with pre-Olympic preparations seen elsewhere'.

2

- 1 Ministers planned legal action in order to restrict public protests and disruption during the Olympics.
2 The St Paul's Cathedral protest changed the security preparations for the Olympics because a similar protest could be a threat to the security of the games.

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Possible answers:

- 1 Legal action was planned to restrict public protests during the Olympics by ministers.
2 Vivienne Westwood said you had to have perspective to have an opinion.
3 Students' own answers

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- 1 restrict 2 key 3 threats
4 controversial

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Students' own answers.

PAU mock exam 9

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- 1 False. 'I think true stories are more effective in inspiring people and motivating them to do better'.
2 False. 'He would probably have become a medallist at the 1940 Olympics if the war hadn't intervened'.
3 True. 'Eventually, he had a revelation and found God, which led him to forgive his tormentors and move on with his life'.

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- 1 His brother helped him become a runner and a successful athlete.
2 It makes the reader realise that mundane problems like chores are just simple problems and that anyone can do something more with their lives if they want to.

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Possible answers:

- 1 Louis Zamperini's life is the subject of the book.
2 The story is incredible too / as well.
3 If his brother hadn't channelled Louis' energies into running, he would have continued to be in trouble with the authorities.

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- 1 feat 2 channelled 3 swapped
4 revelation 5 mundane

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Students' own answers.