

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE CONTEST

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## International English FOX competition



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Secondary school, grades 9 & 10. The duration of the competition is 75 minutes.  
The answers must reflect the competitors own work and during the competition, no help is allowed.

*Good Luck!*

**3 point questions**

- This shop stays open ..... nine.  
A) since                      B) till                      C) to                      D) from
  - "Mm, I love the smell of freshly ..... coffee."  
A) done                      B) cooked                      C) made                      D) boiled
  - The best set of adjectives to describe this man is:  
A) skinny, obese, scruffy  
B) scruffy, untidy-looking, shabby  
C) hooded, untidy-looking, loose  
D) lumpy, careless, shabby
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- You can't **TELL**:  
A) a story                      B) an excuse                      C) a joke                      D) the truth
  - "I'd like to ..... these US dollars for euros, please."  
A) convert                      B) change                      C) turn                      D) buy
  - "There's someone at the door."  
A) "OK. I'm going to answer it."  
B) " Shall I answer it?"                      C) "I'm answering."  
D) "OK. I answer."
  - The only woman prime minister in Great Britain has been so far:  
A) Elizabeth II                      C) Sarah Fergusson  
B) Cheryl Blair                      D) Margaret Thatcher
  - The passage is about:  
*I lost a stone and a half. So I decided to try and keep the weight off. I put some back on when I got to work and started going out with Simon. Then I lost it again when he gave me up.*  
A) dating Simon                      C) weight lifting  
B) starting a new job                      D) losing weight

9. In *The African Queen*, in the red boxes aboard the African Queen there was/were:

- A) water
- B) torpedoes
- C) bullets
- D) blasting gelatine

10. In *The African Queen*, Rose Sayer's plan was to:

- A) become an African Queen
- B) capture the German commander
- C) reach the lake, find the Queen Louisa and torpedo it
- D) help the American defeat the Germans

**4 point questions**

11. "Aren't these beautiful flowers?"

- A) "Yes, are they?"
- B) "No, aren't they?"
- C) "Yes, aren't they?"
- D) "No, they are!"

12. The correct order of the words in the question is:

1 WHO	2 THAT	3 I	4 WAS
5 YOU	6 EARLIER	7 WITH	8 SAW

- A) 3, 4, 1, 5, 8, 7, 2, 6
- B) 1, 3, 4, 2, 8, 5, 6, 7
- C) 1, 4, 2, 3, 8, 5, 7, 6
- D) 1, 4, 3, 2, 5, 8, 7, 6

13. The letter 'w' is pronounced in ..... different ways.

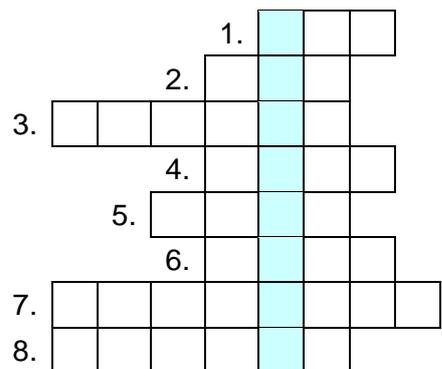
**crowd, saw, white, when, cow, why, wonder, draw**

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

14. The word down is:

- A) a subject at school.
- B) software stopping hackers getting to the Network
- C) a kind of computer game.
- D) an electronic gadget popular among teenagers.

1. There are only a .... sandwiches left.
2. .... down on that chair.
3. My new .... takes great pictures.
4. Turn on the TV. I want to watch the ...
5. Turn ... the music! I'm trying to read!
6. If you're hot, why don't you ... off your sweatshirt?
7. .... is to copy a file from a server to a client computer in a network.
8. I need to ring home. Can I borrow your .....



15. "When you ordered the taxi, did you allow for Christmas traffic?" means:
- A) "When you ordered the taxi, was Christmas traffic allowed?"  
 B) "When you ordered the taxi, were you allowed to take it?"  
 C) "When you ordered the taxi, did you take it?"  
 D) "When you ordered the taxi, did you take into consideration Christmas traffic?"
16. "Can we come to you on holiday?"
- A) "It's a date!"  
 B) "Holiday's out."  
 C) "Now and again."  
 D) "What a holiday!"
17. The Secretary of State in the USA deals with:
- A) finance  
 B) commerce  
 C) home affairs  
 D) foreign affairs
18. The practice of leaving a book in a public place to be picked up and read by others, who then do likewise, is called:
- A) bookcrossing  
 B) bookmarking  
 C) booklanding  
 D) bookchanging
19. According to *The African Queen*, match the two halves of the following sentences:
- |                                   |                                    |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Allnutt used a piece of iron   | a. the African Queen in some reeds |
| 2. Rose carefully took a splinter | b. to get them to fall off Allnutt |
| 3. Rose and Allnutt hid           | c. to make a second boat hook      |
| 4. Rose put salt on the leeches   | d. a lot when they were together   |
| 5. Rose and Allnutt laughed       | e. out of Allnutt's foot           |
- A) 1c, 2e, 3a, 4d, 5b  
 B) 1c, 2e, 3a, 4b, 5d  
 C) 1d, 2c, 3a, 4b, 5e  
 D) 1e, 2c, 3b, 4a, 5d
20. In *The African Queen*, the first time Rose prayed since leaving the mission was:
- A) when she got all the leeches off Allnutt.  
 B) when she and Allnutt were taken aboard the Queen Luisa.  
 C) when the African Queen reached the lake.  
 D) when the African Queen reached Bora Delta.

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**5 point questions**

21. **Every so often** she rang one of the salesmen and checked the price.
- A) very often      B) sometimes      C) every day      D) seldom
22. There are ..... correct pairs of corresponding words:
- |                                  |                            |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>employer – employee</b>       | <b>address – addressee</b> |
| <b>divorce – divorcee</b>        | <b>cook – cookee</b>       |
| <b>pay – payee</b>               | <b>trainer – trainee</b>   |
| <b>interviewer – interviewee</b> |                            |
- A) 3      B) 4      C) 5      D) 6

23. These are:

**Salami shaving**  
**Piggybacking**  
**Spoofing**

**Hijacking**  
**Trojan Horse**  
**Jail bombing**

**Defacing**  
**Trapdoors**

- A) types of cuisine  
B) types of computer crimes  
C) flying disasters  
D) types of diseases

24. The missing preposition is .....

..... earnest, ..... the main, all ..... all, hand ..... hand, ..... disguise

- A) for  
B) of  
C) with  
D) in

25. "Donna, did you hit it off with James?"

"Yes,....."

- A) we fought like mad  
B) it was a hit all right  
C) he is definitely my type  
D) I bumped into him the other day

26. "A rough week?"

- A) "No offence meant!"  
B) "The pits!"  
C) "Let's call it a day!"  
D) "Wow!"

27. The colony of Patagonia in Argentina was founded by .... Emigrants:

- A) Welsh  
B) Scottish  
C) English  
D) Irish

28. The political system in the UK is:

- A) Monarchy  
B) Constitutional monarchy  
C) Parliamentary monarchy  
D) Republic

29. Put the events in the order as they appear in **The African Queen**:

1. *Charlie Allnutt took Rose down the river and onto the African Queen.*
2. *The Reverend Samuel Sayer died.*
3. *Blood-sucking leeches attacked Allnutt.*
4. *The German commandant ordered soldiers to open fire on the African Queen.*
5. *Allnutt examined the propeller and realized that half of the blade had broken off.*

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

30. Match the quotations with the characters of **The African Queen**:

1. "I have my prayer book, I'll read the service"
  2. "And what were you doing on that island?"
  3. "You don't have to put yourself in any further danger"
  4. "I doubt they plan to surrender."
- a. the German Captain  
b. Rose Sayer  
c. the British lieutenant  
d. Charlie Allnutt

- A) 1b, 2a, 3c, 4d  
B) 1d, 2c, 3b, 4a  
C) 1d, 2c, 3b, 4a  
D) 1b, 2a, 3d, 4c