## An Integrated Approach to Language Learning Means Learning for Life




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## 01

## How to develop receptive skills Fundamental methodology and terms

## Receptive Skills (PTE General) <br> What is the difference between Skills and Strategies?

## Sub-skills

- Listening/Reading for gist
- Listening/Reading for specific information
- Listening/Reading for inference


## Strategies

- Thinking about the topic using background knowledge
- Identifying typical issues associated with the topic
- Predicting vocabulary
- Taking notes
- Identifying key words
- Identifying topic sentence


## Receptive Skills <br> Extensive vs Intensive listening/reading

## Extensive

Takes place when students are on their own, often for pleasure in a leisure way

- More engaging
- Develops fluency
- Develops word-recognition
- The more students practice the better they get at the skill Pearson
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## Intensive

More concentrated, less relaxed, dedicated to the achievement of a study goal

- Helps to understand the task in order to meet task requirements
- Helps to work out reading/ listening strategies for the particular task
- Familiarizes with different subskills and approaches


## Receptive Skills Listening Top-down vs Bottom-up approaches

## Top-down

Understanding the overall general meaning first

- Prediction and pre-teaching vocabulary
- Getting the general idea
- Maintaining attention
- Multiple listening
- Collaborative listening


## Bottom-up

Understanding individual words and phrases in the connected speech

- Dictation
- Micro-listening
- Listening drill
- Narrow listening
- Using transcripts

Top-down processing at lower levels and with YL is hindered by bottom-up problems as they fail to understand individual words

## Receptive Skills Reading Top-down vs Bottom-up approaches

## Top-down

Understanding the overall general meaning first

- Dealing with unknown words
- Skimming and scanning
- Looking for keywords
- Identifying topic sentence
- Collaborative reading (jigsaw)


## Bottom-up

Understanding individual words and phrases and cohesion

- Cohesion and coherence (filling in the missing linkers, structuring the text, putting sentences/paragraphs in the correct order)
- Micro-reading
- Narrow reading

Bottom-up processing in reading does not exist without top-down, because understanding individual words and cohesion helps to guess or predict the general idea of the text

## Receptive Skills <br> Top-down vs Bottom-up approaches

Top-down
General view of the passage, getting the general picture

- In other words - looking at the "forest"


Bottom-up
Understanding individual words and phrases in the connected speech, cohesive devices

- In other words - looking at the individual "trees"


It is most useful to see the acts of reading and listening as interaction between top-down and bottom-up processing

## A general procedure for teaching receptive skills

1. Lead-in

Setting the context, predicting/pre-teaching vocabulary etc
2. Comprehension/response task

Listening/reading for gist
3. Reading/Listening

Listening/reading for specific information /for details/ inference* 4. Text-related task

Follow-up activity e.g. more detailed response to the text or a focus on aspects of language

## Types of tasks to develop Receptive Skills

Lead-in: predicting, reading/listening for gist, skimming

- Interrogating the text (What do you want to know about the topic )-
- Picture-story (ordering events, predicting using the pictures)
- Word-cloud story

Text cohesion, Reading/Listening for specific information, scanning/reading for details

- Jumbled story (Ordering the text/sentences)
- Transferring information (filling in tables/graphs/flow-charts)
- Jig-saw reading

Follow-up activities

- Encouraging students' response to the text (agree/disagree, surprising/ shocking etc)


## 02 <br> PTE General <br> Written Part

Task Types





## Types of Listening Tasks

| Section | Task | Skill tested |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | Multiple choice <br> (3 options) | Listening for gist |
| 2 | Dictation | Listening for details, note- <br> taking |
| 3 | Gap - filling/ <br> note <br> completion | Listening for specific <br> information |

## Task types: multiple choice, note completion, dictation


SECTION 2 SECTION 3

## Task types：multiple choice，multiple matching，short answers

Hello kids，hello boys and girk．Today＇s test is Breakthrough．Tasks One and Two are listening Good luck and have fun！！

Task One：My Hobby＇s Horse Riding（16 marks）
Amra talks to her friend Sandy about her hobby．Listen to their corversation and put a cross（ $\triangle$ ） in the box under each correct answer．The first one is an example．
You will hear the conversation twice．Listen carefully！
Example：What is Anna doing on Saturchy？


Who is Sandy going harse riding with？


Which horse is Bes？


B $\square$
C口

5．Task Five：Things in the Brown Family＇s House（ 16 marks）
Chantal sees many things in the Brown family＇s house．Draw a line from the pictures of the things to the words．The first one is an example．
Be careful．There are two extra words．


2．Task Two：Talking to Mr Dale（ 16 marks）
Mr Dale is the music teacher at Anna＇s school．Mrs Brown is talking to him．Listen to their conversation．After each part of the conversation，write a short answer to the question．
You will hear the conversation twice．First，listen to the example
Example：How does Anna feel about singing in the competition？ Nervous

1．When did Mrs Rose start the competition？

2．How many children were in the first competition？

3．Who is choosing the winner this year

4．Which song did the winner sing last year？

5．Where is the competition going to be this year？

6．How much are the most expensive tickets？

7．Why do some of the children cry in the competition？

8．When is the special competition？

Reading Task Types

| Section | Task | Skill tested |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 4 | Gap fill (multiple- <br> choice 3 options) | Reading for gist, <br> skimming, scanning |
| 5 | Multiple-choice (3 <br> options) | Reading for specific <br> information |
| 6 | Answering <br> questions | Reading for details |
| 7 | Gap fill (Table, <br> summary) | Scanning, reading for <br> specific information |

## Task types: multiple choice, notes completion, answering questions



Task types: multiple matching, asking questions

4. Task Four: At the Animal Park (10 marks)
Look at the pictures of Chantal and Sophie's visit to the animal park and draw a line from
the pictures to the correct sentences. The first one is an example.
Be careful. There is one extra sentence.
Can you take a photo
of me please?
you and two pounds
for a child.
There are lots of
people here. Let's
come back later.
Have some cake. I've
got lots.
This is a photo of a
snake.
Look. We can sit
there.
They are here, next to
the tigers.

## Types of writing tasks

| Section | Task Type | Skill Tested |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 8 | Letter | Ability to write formal and informal <br> letter |
| 9 | Story | Ability to write a story based on <br> pictures, personal experience and <br> imagination |
| 9 | Essay | Ability to write an argumentative <br> essay on a given issue |

## Task types: story based on picture, essay, personal letter

| SECTION 8 |
| :--- |
| 47. Imagine you are now in Niederau for a winter holiday. Write a postcard to a friend. |
| Write 30-50 words and include the following information: |
| Use the information in Section 7 to help you write |
| your answer. |
| who you are are with |
| what you are doing |
| Write your answer here. Do not write outside the box. |



48. A) Write an essay in response to the following question:

What are the advantages and disadvantages of living in a multi-cultural society?"

Or
48. B) Write contribution to a website blog about language learning, describing your own experience of learning foreign languages and making recommendations about the best methods.

## 03

## PTE General

Listening: Strategy and Preparation Tips

## Written Part: Receptive Skills



## General Tips for all parts of the Exam

1. Learn test strategies:
teach your students: the format and test-taking strategies

- To identify and underline keywords and predict the topic and vocabulary of the recording.
- To recognize distractors.
- To highlight key words from the question and scan the text for these keywords.
- To be aware that the answer may be paraphrased or a synonym.


2. Build strong Grammar and Lexical Base

- Use the resources section of the website to check which language is needed for each level.
- Introduce students to a wide range of themes on social and current issues, as well personal and familiar topics.
- Encourage them to keep a note of useful vocabulary and phrases and test themselves on these regularly,
- In gapfill style tasks by reading around the gap, students predict the missing word
- Train your students to identify the part of speech , multi-part verbs, prepositional phrases, collocations and idioms
- Give them plenty of practice with word formation


## Section 1 Listening 3 option multiple choice

What is tested:
Ability to understand the main idea of a short spoken text
What do you have to do:
Listen to 10 short recordings with 1 or 2 speakers and answer a multiple choice question containing 3 options for each recording. The recording is played only once

## Strategy

- Read the question and the 3 options and highlight the key words
- Think what is different
- Make your choice
- If you are not sure about the answer, choose what is most likely
- You have 10 seconds to read and to answer

How to prepare

- Get used to hearing a range of voices and accents
- Practise listening and reading at the same time
- Practise underlining the keywords in the task and predicting the topic


## Section 1 Listening 3 option multiple choice


to answer

## What are the benefits of using authentic listening material?

- accent and language used in EFL coursebook listening materials don't prepare students for real-world communication
- Authentic materials are more challenging but engaging
- Ability to understand speakers in real situations boosts student's confidence
- Authentic materials provide meaningful up-to-date context for communication and introduce your students to a number of different genres, topics and cultures

- Inspire them to take greater ownership of their learning
- Tests are based on authentic materials from different


## Where can teachers find authentic listening material?

- News websites BBC, CNN, and ABC
- YouTube
- Ted Talks and Vox Pops,
- podcasts
- radio programs from the BBC and NPR
- BBC World Service and Voice of America (VOA) ( material for non-native English
 speakers)


## How can they be tied to each part of the PTE General listening paper?

- Identify parts of the audio that you feel will be most difficult for your learners to understand.
- Provide your students with context,
- Provide learners with a transcript alongside the audio.
- Create activities that will prepare your
 students for each section of the PTE General listening exam


## 5 Best YouTube Channels to Prepare Students For the Real World

BBC Learning English - News Review

- Migrationology - Mark Wiens
- Met Office - Weather
- Middle Ground - Jubilee
- Learn English with TV Series

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## Section 1 Multiple choice

- Create your own multiple choice quizzes using online learning platforms such as Kahoot! and Edpuzzle.
- encourage your students to create their own multiple-choice quizzes for their classmates to use, based on authentic listening material that they have discovered themselves.
- https://edpuzzle.com/
- https://create.kahoot.it/



## Section 2 Listening+Writing Dictation

## What is tested:

Ability to understand an extended spoken text by transcribing it
What do you have to do:
Listen to one person speaking and write exactly what you hear with correct spelling. You will
hear the text twice - normal speed and with pauses

## Strategy

- Pay attention to the topic
- Try to understand the overall recording and pick some keywords during the first listening
- Try to put everything down during the second listening
- If you miss something leave a space and keep writing
- Use your knowledge of grammar and vocabulary to guess the missing words
- Check spelling


## How to prepare

- Improve your general listening skills
- Practise listening and taking notes at the same time
- Practise picking out the keywords (they are usually stressed
- Learn homophones
- Practise proofreading using your knowledge of grammar and spellingg rules


## Section 2 Listening+Writing Dictation



## Section 2 Dictation

- Have your learners use the first play of the audio to adjust to the speakers' voices, without the need to focus on transcription.
- Have them transcribe short sections of the audio during the second play.
- Begin by having them transcribe short audio clips
- Slowly build it up so that they are able to
 transcribe longer clips more difficult to comprehend.


## Section 3 Listening + Writing Text note completion

## What is tested:

Ability to extract specific information from an extended spoken text
What do you have to do:
Listen to 2 recordings -monologues or dialogues and complete 10 gaps in the notes using information you have heard. Each recording is played twice

## Strategy

- You have 30 seconds to read the notes
- Read the notes and use key words to see what kind of information is missing
- Keep track of the questions
- Try to take notes while listening
- Complete the notes and check if they make sense and are grammatically correct


## How to prepare

- Improve your general listening skills
- Practise listening and taking notes at the same time
- Learn how to predict the missing information using words before and after the gap, content words.
- Learn how to identify the part of speech of a missing word
- Turn statements into questions ${ }^{\text {º }}$


## Section 3 Listening + Writing Text note completion



Example: Unfortunately, many people only like animals that have visual appeal.

Underline the key words.

## Section 3 Note completion

- Use the audio's transcript to create simple gap-fill activities for your learners, with the gaps focusing on more difficult elements of the audio.
- For lower levels, you can begin by first encouraging them to read-whilstlistening, before removing single words or simple phrases to listen for from sections of the audio that are easier for
 your students to understand.


## 04

## PTE General

Written Part: Receptive Skills

Reading: Strategy and Preparation Tips


## Six reading strategies for PTE General

## Strategy \#1: Highlight key words in the questions

- Key words include question words, nouns and verbs
- use them to find the sections in the text with the correct answers.
- can be applied to the open-ended and the multiple-choice questions in the Reading Paper.

Strategy \#2: Paraphrase ideas in the text

- at higher levels, answers are likely to be paraphrased versions of the question.
- train your students to be able to understand the
 ideas
(- Have your students create summaries of reading texts, or by designing gap-fill activities


## Six reading strategies for PTE General

Strategy \#3: Analyze the text for implied meaning \& purpose

- To identify explicit information and to look for implied ideas
- To identify the type of text explain its purpose
- to identify key details in the text, and discuss what these details all have in common.
- to find and underline evidence in the text that supports these ideas.

Strategy \#4: Predict answers based on previous knowledge

- to predict answers to questions in the exam.

- to use their own vocabulary and grammar knowledge to review the options.
- to predict what type of word is missing before looking at the options.


## Six reading strategies for PTE General

## Strategy \#5: Ensure answers are concise

- to save time in the Reading Paper by writing concise answers to the open-ended questions.
- have them change note prompts into questions, and use these questions to better understand the information they need to identify in the text.

Strategy \#6: Double-check answers make sense

- To check the answers make sense, both in terms of meaning and grammar.

- To recognize grammatical patterns, use online platforms such as Kahoot! to create multiple-choice quizzes in which students have to look for the grammatically correct option.


## Section 4 Gap-fill 3 option multiple choice

## What is tested:

Ability to understand the purpose, structure and main idea of short written text What do you have to do:
Read 5 short texts each containing a gap and choose the missing word out of 3 options

## Strategy

- Read the question and the 3 options and highlight the key words
- Think what is different
- Make your choice
- Check other options
- Re-read to make sure that the text makes sense
- If not, review the options

How to prepare

- Learn how to analyze the text
- Practise highlighting key words
- Keep vocabulary notes
- Learn words in chunks


## Section 4 Gap-fill 3 option multiple choice



## Example:

UNFORTUNATELY, animal charities are reporting that they are having to take in more and more animals that have been bought as pets from unregulated sources. Many are from hot countries and are not $\qquad$ our cooler climate.

A $x$ suited to
Bborn in
C
happy with

Section 5 Gap-fill 3 option multiple choice

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What is tested:
Ability to understand the main idea in an extended written text
What do you have to do:
Read a text answer 5 questions each containing 3 options

## Strategy

- Read the question and highlight the key words
- Find the relevant part of the text for each question using key words
- Sometimes key words might be paraphrased
- Try to answer the question before reading the options it may help you to be more confident about your choice
- Don't panic if you don't understand a particular part of the text - try to get the main idea first

How to prepare

- Read extensively
- Learn to guess the meaning of unknown words from the context
- Learn synonyms and antonyms and how to paraphrase
- Learn to scan


## Section 5 Gap-fill 3 option multiple choice

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What you need to
do after reading
the questions.
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| What you need to <br> do after reading <br> the passage. |
| :--- |

Read the passage and complete the sentences below. For each question, put a cross $(\boldsymbol{X})$ in the box next to the correct answer, as in the example.

> The text opens with the words "Tigers: they're big, brave and scary, right?", so B is the correct answer.

## Section 6 Open-ended Questions

What is tested:
Ability to understand the main points of short written texts
What do you have to do:
Read 2 short texts and answer 8 questions using single words or short answer

## Strategy

- Read the question and focus on the key words (Question words, nouns, verbs)
- Highlight the words in the text which you think answer the question
- Answer your question briefly using words from the text where possible
- Avoid writing long answers with unnecessary words

How to prepare

- Read extensively
- Practise skimming
- Learn to give short clear answers


## Section 6 Open-ended Questions



## Section 7 Text Note Completion

## What is tested:

Ability to extract specific information from an extended written text
What do you have to do:
Read a text and complete 7 incomplete sentences or notes using information from it. You must use no more than 3 words from the text

## Strategy

- Read the question and highlight the key words
- Scan the text to find the missing information or detail
- Look for the key words or their synonyms in the text
- Use grammatical clues to decide what words are needed
- Re-read your answers to make sure that the completed sentences make sense

How to prepare

- Read extensively
- Learn to use the key words and their synonyms to find specific information
- Learn to scan for specific information or detail


## Section 7 Text Note Completion



## 05 <br> PTE General <br> Written Part: Productive Skills

Writing: Strategy and Tips


## General Tips for Exam Success

## 1. Learn test strategies

- The format and test-taking strategies
- Assessment criteria for productive skills
- Planning is crucial for Writing
- Read the task to identify the type of writing and the audience
- Think about the style and register.

2. Build strong Grammar and Lexical Base


- Use the resources section of the website to check which language is needed for each level.
- Introduce students to a wide range of themes on social and current issues, as well personal and familiar topics.
- Encourage them to keep a note of useful vocabulary and phrases and test themselves on these regularly,
- Give them plenty of practice with word formation and spelling
- Provide learners with discourse markers and linkers, so they can connect and extend their ideas.
- Teach the language to exnress their oninions offer suggestions and to give reasons.


## PTE General Writing Section 8

## What is assessed?

- vocabulary on a range of topics
- accuracy
- coherence and cohesion
- spelling
- punctuation
- easy-to-follow layout


Student success in section 8 of the exam depends on their comprehension of the task in section 7 and their abilities to express themselves clearly. Use graded level appropriate authentic materials to achieve this

## Types of writing texts

- A factual piece: a blog entry, article, or instructions
- A critical piece: review, report, or essay
- An analytical text: essay, analysis of issue or argument


Students write a short text from their own experiences, knowledge or imagination. Word length will vary according to level A choice of two topics is given

## Section 8 Write correspondence

What is tested:
Ability to write a piece of correspondence
What do you have to do:
Write an email or a formal or informal letter 90-120 words for level 3 (+/-10\%)

## Strategy

- Read the task and focus on task requirements, the reader and the purpose of your correspondence
- Cover all the bullet points in your writing equally
- Highlight the information in Section 7 which you need to refer to in your writing by summarizing or commenting on it
- Use your own words wherever possible
- Check your writing for word number and accuracy

How to prepare

- Improve your vocabulary
- Learn how to plan your writing
- Practise using markers and linkers
- Practise checking your writing for grammar, spelling and punctuation mistakes


## Section 8 Write correspondence


accuracy

## Writing correspondence Blog entry

## Model answer

You have read an article about your town. Now write a blog entry about your town. Write 50-70 words and include the following information:

- what your favourite place is in your town
- say what you can do there
- say what you like about it


## Writing correspondence Blog entry

The first sentence should get straight to the point as you have a limit on the number of words you can write.

This and the following sentences list what you can do there in different ways: You can ..., A lot of people ..., On Sundays ...

The final sentence explains why you like it.

- My favourite place in my town is the park near my flat. It is called

This sentence gives some more information on what your favourite place in your town is.

The word total of 70 words is the maximum number that the instructions ask you to write. If your answer is a few words longer or shorter, there won't be a penalty. Check the Exam Guide section of the book for more information on the "tolerated" word count.

## Writing correspondence Postcard

## Model answer

You are on a class trip to London. Now write a postcard to your friend. Write 50-70 words and include the following information:

- describe the city
- name one place you visited
- explain why you liked it


## Writing correspondence Postcard



# Writing correspondence Email 

## Model answer

You have read an email from your friend who is coming to stay with you for a holiday. Unfortunately, you cannot pick him/her up from the airport. Now write an email to your friend. Write 50-70 words and include the following information:

- explain why you can't pick him/her up
- describe the person who will pick him/her up
- tell him/her where the person will be waiting


## Section 9 Write Text

What is tested:
Ability to write a short text from your own experience, knowledge or imagination What do you have to do:
Write a factual (blog entry, article), critical (report, review) or analytical (essay) piece of writing on 1 of 2 given topics Word-limit - 150-200 words for level 3

## Strategy

- Choose 1 topic and use the prompts to decide what type of text you need to write, its format and style
- Highlight the words in the prompts what you need to cover and use them to organize your answer
- Rewrite the prompts as questions
- Use a wide range of vocabulary, linkers and grammar structures
- Leave a few minutes for proofreading

How to prepare

- Study the samples and models of different types of writing and see how they are organized
- Practise developing your argument, giving examples, expressing opinion and backing it up with reasons
- Practise writing to a required word limit


## Section 9 Write Text



## Writing Text Short Story

## Model answer

Last weekend you stayed with your Uncle Tom's family. Look at the pictures and write a description of what happened for your diary.

Write your answer in 80-100 words.


## Writing Text Short Story

| The first sentence <br> gives background <br> information and <br> introduces your story. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Use linking words, <br> such as and or <br> but, to connect <br> your sentences. <br> Josh and I helped him to wash his car. It was fun. In the <br> afternoon, we all went to a park near their house. We took <br> their dog Digger with us, too. The weather was very nice <br> and we played football. I really enjoyed it. |
| Describe the events <br> in a logical order. |

## Writing Text Essay

## Model answer

Write an essay in answer to the following question.

What are the advantages and disadvantages of learning English in your own country?

## Write 150-200 words.

Don't waste words by repeating the question. Give your main point first.

This phrase introduces the contrast with the first paragraph. It is especially useful when discussing advantages and disadvantages and it is not necessary to have used On the one hand for the previous point.

The main advantage is that it is cheap to do because you can live at home and continue to study at school or go to work. Another point in favour is that you won't miss your family or friends. Also, you will be able to eat the food you like and feel comfortable in your normal surroundings.

Back up your idea with an additional point (or two). using simple linking words or phrases rather than more formal ones like Moreover.

On the other hand, if you go to America or Britain to study English, it can be very expensive, depending on how far you must travel and how long you stay. However, in addition to the language, you will also learn about the culture and have to use English in everyday situations. You will have daily contacts with native speakers who may have strong accents, whereas at home you might not have many chances to practise your English outside the classroom.

Nowadays with the Internet, you can communicate in English easily from your own country. In my opinion, however, if you want first-hand experience of using English naturally, it is better to study English in an English-speaking country.

Write a concluding paragraph that answers the question and gives your own opinion.

This shows you are changing from a negative point back to a positive one.

## This word is useful for

 contrasting two statements in the same sentence.
## Writing Text Article

## Model answer

You see this advertisement in an English language magazine and decide to write an article to enter the competition.

## Summer Competition

Write an article about healthy eating. We'll publish the best 5 .

## Great Prizes!!!!!

Write 150-200 words.

The first sentence is important as you have to attract the reader's attention. You can do this in different ways, such as asking the reader a direct question or giving an interesting quotation.

The style of writing here is quite informal or even quite conversational. This is common in articles, which often address the reader personally, but it depends on the subject and where the article will be printed.

Unlike other pieces of writing, articles often contain headings, sub-headings, lists or bullet points.
or bullet points.

## Don't forget your fruit and veg!

- Someone once said, "You are what you eat." I think this is true to some extent. Unfortunately, nowadays, many young people eat food which is not good for them, even though the taste may be delicious. We all love burgers and fries but, like most things, if we eat too much, it's not good for our health. The key is balance. According to experts, we should eat at least five portions of fruit and vegetables a day to help us stay healthy. They contain lots of minerals and vitamins and can help us lower the risk of getting some types of diseases and other health problems. They're also quite low in calories and there is so much variety to choose from, You might not like apples, so have a banana instead! Simple! You can still enjoy your burger, but maybe once a week rather than every day.


## My top tips:

- Remember the five-a-day rule.
- Try to cut down on unhealthy foods.
- Have three good meals a day.
- You can snack, but snack on fruit rather than on chocolate.
- Do more exercise to burn off calories.
- Enjoy your food!
[194 words]

Articles usually have a title or a heading to grab the reader's attention. Including one will make your article look more realistic.

We can see clearly who the article is for. The writer is putting himself or herself in the same position as the readers.

## 06 <br> PTE General <br> Integrated approach

How to integrate the four skills


## Integrated approach to language learning

## What does INTEGRATED APPROACH mean?

- to use a combination (or all four) of these skills within a single activity (or series of activities) to create a situation which is much more similar to one they might come across in the real world.

What are the benefits of integrated approach for students and teachers?

- It allows students to transfer skills
- It helps teachers vary activities in class



## How to Integrate the four skills?

1. Combine the receptive and productive skills across the same medium

- Oral medium - Listening and Speaking ( e.g. Telephone)
- Written medium - Reading and Writing (e.g. Group story writing, My last holiday

2. Combine all four skills within one task (e.g. All about me)
3. Cross-media combination

- Reading and Speaking
(e. g. Reading club debate)
- Listening and Writing
- (e.g. Taking notes, minutes keeping, dictation)

listening

reading



## speaking


writing

## Telephone

1. Put students into groups and tell them to sit in a circle.
2. Nominate a student to think of a sentence
3. Have them whisper their sentence to the next person in the circle,
4. They must listen and repeat what they heard to the person next to them.
5. This continues until they reach the final person in the group.
6. The last person has to say out loud what they thought they heard. Finally ask the first person what their original sentence was
7. Write both on the board and compare them.


## Group story writing

Level: Any Grammar: Any Vocabulary: Any Skills: Reading and Writing

1. Put students into groups and hand out a piece of paper to each student.
2. Read a cue to the students and have them write a sentence at the top of the paper.
3. Have them fold the paper and pass the paper to the person on their right.
4. Continue until you've read all the cues.
5. At the end of the game each student reads (or retells) their story to the class.
6. Discuss the stories and choose the best.

Level and Target Language depend on the cues you give


## My last holiday (Variation of Group story writing)

Level: 1 (CEFRA2) Grammar: Past Simple Vocabulary: Holidays Skills: Writing and Reading

## Example cues:

Where did you go? The more creative the better. (E.g. I went to the moon).
Who did you go with? (E.g. I went with the Queen of England).
How did you get there? (E.g. We travelled by hot air balloon).
How long did it take? (E.g. It took 5 hours).
Where did you stay? (E.g. We stayed in a tent).
What did you do during the day? (E.g. During the day we played volleyball).
What did you do at night? (E.g. At night we went dancing).
How was your trip? (E.g. We had a great time).

1. Students think of 1 UNIQUE thing about themselves
2. They write it down on a piece paper - but don't identify themselves
3. Teacher collects the papers and distributes at random
4. Students prepare a brief personal intro: 2-3 personal bits of informaton IMe!
5. They include the information about some other student they got from the teacher
6. Students listen to everyone make their introductions.
7. If someone hears the information that they think is false about the speaker but true about them - this person calls out in the end of the presentation "That"s not $\qquad$ that's me!"
8. BUT THEY DON'T say which part is about THEM.
9. The rest of the class tries to guess which bit of information is the "false" information.

## All about me (Variation)

Level: A1+ Grammar: Present Simple Vocabulary: Likes and Dislikes

Skills: Writing, reading, listening, speaking

1. Students write a short introduction (50-70 words) about their likes and dislikes
2. Students don't include their names
3. Teacher collects the papers and distribute at random.
4. Students read out the information while the others listen.
5. The students should guess who they think it is about.

6. Once they've determined who it is, students mingle and ask further questions other based on what they, heard.

Developing all four exam skills

1. Choose two short texts similar to Section 7 interesting for your students
2. Split students into pairs (A B) Give one text to person A and the other to person B.
3. Have student A read the text to their partner who has to transcribe it.
4. Swap so that B reads their text to A who now has to write down what they hear.
5. Get students to check accuracy by comparing their transcriptions with the original texts.
6. Have them briefly discuss each text with their partner, giving their opinion on the content.
7. Finally, they write a correspondence like in Section 8 (an email to a friend or a letter of complaint to a hotel manager)

## Classroom activity 2 - language maze writing

## Procedure

1. choose a level appropriate article
2. print enough copies so there's one per student plus an extra one for each group.
3. cut extra articles into 5 or 6 sections
4. split your students into groups;
5. distribute one cut up article per group, each student receives one section of the article.
6. students read their section and paraphrase it in their own words.
7. students work together to assemble the paraphrased article in the right order.
8. redistribute the original article, so students have one copy each
9. students check the paraphrased article against the original text and correct the order if necessary.
10.read the article together in class and ask some basic comprehension questions.
11.have students write a piece of correspondence relating to the article

## Procedure

1. Distribute a square white sticker (or post-it note) to each student and have them write a topic that they are interested in on it. (etc.)
2. Mind map ideas for questions about their topics. Come up with 5-10 questions and leave them on the board.
3. Have the students put on their stickers, mingle and ask the questions
4. When students have spoken to most people in class tell them to form a pair with someone they thought had an interesting topic.
5. The students work together to plan a blog entry based on their partner's topics
6. let students research their topics online
7. Students write about their partner's topic

## Examples of topics

Travel
Environment
Politics
Sports
Photography
Films
Examples of questions

- What is your topic about?
- How long have you been interested in this?
- What should other people know about it?
- Name something surprising about your topic.
- How can I get involved in this?


## Dictogloss What is it?

- a dictation activity where learners are required to reconstruct a short text by listening and noting down key words, used as a base for reconstruction.
- a multiple skills and systems activity
- a fun, collaborative and mingling activity
- develops learners' autonomy and is suitable for mixed ability classes
- the reconstruction of the text can be both written and oral


## Dictogloss Procedure A

- Students discuss a topic
- Listen to a piece of text on the same topic for the first time without taking notes
- Put down the information they remember
- Listen again and take notes.
- Get in groups/pairs and try to reconstruct the text in their own words.
- Mingle, change groups and compare their
 versions
- Compare their versions to the original


## Dictogloss Procedure B (for mixed ability and smaller groups)

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- The teacher reads a short text on a familiar topic at normal speed.
- The learners listen and take notes.
- The teacher repeats the reading, after writing new subject vocabulary on the board to help weaker learners.
- The learners form pairs and share their notes.
- The teacher reads the text a final time at normal speed.
- The learner pairs form fours to produce a final written version of the text. The aim is to get as close to the original as possible.


## How to use Podcasts for Dictogloss activities

1. Introduce the topic of the podcast
2. Place your students in small groups (3-4 students)
3. Tell your students to put everything away. Play the audio once.
4. Invite your students to listen again and take notes.
5. Tell your students to jot down key words and chunks rather than full sentences.
6. Explain the reconstruction task to your students and organize them in groups and let them decide on their roles
7. Students work together to reconstruct the text.
8. Have your students compare their version to the original.
9. (Optional: Have students record their own version of the text and create their own podcast.)

- http://blog.esllibrary.com/2014/09/03/esl-library-dictogloss/


## Dictogloss Tips for Students

- Write down key words as you listen.
- Listen for chunks of language. Try to use these chunks to reconstruct the text
- Assign roles to each group member.
- Take notes, but do not attempt to write out full sentences.
- Choose someone who has tidy handwriting or quick typing skills to finalize the group work.

- Pick someone with a good eye to proofread the final copy.


## Dictogloss Tips for Teachers

- The text should not be more than a paragraph at first but the language should be more advanced than the students' current level
- Encourage learners to use new vocabulary and sentence structures
- Support the activity with key visuals, pictures, graphs when appropriate
- This is a group activity, not a dictation exercise. Beginners can be paired with more fluent peers
- Highlight the importance of paraphrasing.
- Monitor to make sure that students are taking point form notes.
- Remind students that the point is not to reconstruct the text perfectly.
- Give your students the opportunity to listen to the podcast on their own via mobile devices.
- Experiment by doing this activity a few different ways assigning different roles to your students


## Dictogloss Speaking Activity Procedure

1. Prepare a short story which you'll read to your students.
2. Put students in groups of two or three and read the story to them.
3. Students try to remember the details of the story and compare with their group. Students don't take notes.
4. Read the story again and have students attempt to recreate the story more closely, again by speaking in a different group or with a different partner
5. If you find it appropriate, depending on the level of the group and story, read the story again and the students again attempt to recreate it, even more closely.
6. Elicit a couple of teams to tell their story to the class (in a small class). Or, put two teams together and they can tell their stories to each other (in a larger class).
7. Read the story one final time for students to compare with their own.

## 07 <br> PTE General <br> Written Part

Sample tasks from Pearson Course books


## Sample Exam Format Tasks: Focus 3, Wider World 2 <br> $\Rightarrow$ Language <br> PROSVESHCHENIYE

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Complete the sentences with the Past Perfect
    Simple or Continuous form of the verbs in
1The roads were wet this morning. It had been
    raining (rain) all night.
    2 Yesterday I was tired. I
    well the night before.
I I went to the doctor last week because
    I_____(not feel) well.
4 ____(have) the same phone for ages,
    sol got a new one last month.
S I didn't understand yesterday's homework
    becausel______(not listen) to the teacher
    in class.
6 By the timel arrived, the lesson_____
    (already/start).
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## PRONUNCIATION FOCUS

8 COo. 31 MP3-31 Listen and repeat the words in the box
Tars pars with the same consonant sound.
church confusion courage feature
Japan measure official pressure
church - feature
9 (C.01.32 MP3-32 Add the words from Exercise 8 to the table. Then listen, check and repeat

Sound Typical spelling Example

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## EXAM FOCUS Multiple choice

Read text A again. For questions 1-5, choose the correct answer, A, B, C or D.
1 When Mr Trentlake disappeared,
A Sam wasn't paying attention to the lesson.
B Quinn was daydreaming about the beach.
C Mary was sure she saw him leaving the room.
D he was writing on the blackboard.
2 In line 16 the concept refers to
A the fact that Edilio disagrees with Mary
B the way the teacher has disappeared
B the way the teacher has disappeared.
C the humour in the situation.
D the students' lack of understanding
3 How does Sam feel about Astrid?
A He envies her.
B He is embarrassed by he
C He admires her.
D He thinks she's bossy
4 So far, the following people have disappeared: A two teachers and a student
B two teachers and three students
C one teacher and one student
D two teacher
5 In lines 37-43, the author implies that
A Astrid knows why people are disappearing
B Sam is scared by the situation.
C the situation has become really serious
D somebody played a joke. 41481 na


A Write your email in 140-190 words. Follow these tens

7 Read texts A and B again. Are the statements true (T) or false (F)?
Text A
1 Sam was on the beach, shouting and getting ready to dive into the sea.
2 Mary was looking very intently at the spot where Mr Trentlake had been standing.

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and laughing nervously. what had happened
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4 The gesture of raising their shoulders showed that
the class knew where Mr Trentlake was.
5 On this occasion, Astrid's fixed look showed that
she was afraid.
Text B
6 Only small beats such as yachts disappear in the Bermuda Triangle.
7 No remains of USS Cyclops were ever found and
there was no sign of what had happened.
8 Nobody believes that people are kidnapped by
aliens in the Bermuda Triangle.

3 Find words
Find words
meanings t
SPEAKING FOCUS
1 shouting
In pairs, dis
in texts $A$ a
students in
WORD ST
Introducing the anecdote
(Right, so) I'm going to tell you about (a great day out). (OK, so) this is a story about (a day 'Ill never forget.) This took '___ about (a month ago). Sequencing events in the anecdote When/Just after (we got there, the sun came out). /To begin with, (we were the only people there). As/While (we were sitting there).
Suddenly /4__ of a sudden, (the weather changed). Describing events vividly
Predictably $/$ ___ expected, (other people soon started)... Unexpectedly/Out of the ${ }^{6}$ __, , (it started pouring with rain). Luckily/Fortunately, (after it stopped raining, the sun came out again). Finishing th $\qquad$ dote
Without a' $\qquad$ it was (one of the best days I've had in ages), When I look back (on that day) now, I feel
It turned out to be (an unforgettable day out).
Strangely/
don't really plan). don't really plan).

EXAM FOCUS Sentence completion
3 COP1.30 [m p3.30 Listen again and complete the
sentences with a word or short phrase.
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1 Ruby Niverton first wanted to be a 2 She refers to some new research that has been carried She refers to some
out in
3 Ruby compares the
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4 According to Ruby, the need for us to love someone becomes an
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When they put people in
got interesting results.
Tot interesting results. developed about $\qquad$ years ago.
an example of something
else that produces similar brain activity.
8 There's a possibility that people could take a
to recover from a failed love affair.
something

3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in capitals. Could any of the sentences describe people you know? 1 Donna is shy in social situations. It's embarrassing for her PAIN $\qquad$and a great sense of humour
2 Bill has an outgoing41481 Anna Old
PERSON
3 Jane would never swallow her wrong. PROUD
4 Tom is a
friend. He's always there for me. FAITH
4 Choose the correct answer, A, B, C or D. Then tick the sentences that are true for you.
1 Dad says it's important to ___ high standards for yourself. A aim B put C set D fix
2 My sister has a ___ imagination and draws incredible pictures.
A vivid
B detailed C sharp D strong
3 The last film I saw was rubbish. I was disappointed
A totally B absolutely C bitterly D completely
4 Most of my Facebook friends are best described as acquaintances.
A occasional B casual C nearby D relaxed


4 CD-2.22 MP3-65 Listen to four people talking about their diets. Choose from the list (A-G) what each speaker says about their diet. Use the letters only once. There are three extra letters.

Speaker 1:
Speaker 2:
Speaker 3:
Speaker 4:


The speaker's diet:
A is based on fresh local produce.
B changed when he/she was thirteen.
C doesn't include any desserts.
D doesn't involve any cooking
E used to include a lot of sweet things.
$F$ is based on Mediterranean produce.
G has never changed.

5 CD-2.22 MP3-65 Match the speakers (1-4) with the questions. Then listen again and check.
a Who couldn't become a vegetarian?
b Who has a lot of energy?
c Who supports animal rights?
d Who rarely eats with his/her family?
e Who doesn't use animal products?

## Listening Section 1 Task Types: <br> Multiple choice and Multiple Matching

## EXAM FOCUS Multiple matching

3 CD-3.24 MP3•113 Listen to four people talking about online videos. Choose from the list (A-G) what is true about each speaker. Use the letters only once. There are three extra letters.

Speaker 1: Speaker 2: $\square$

Speaker 3:
Speaker 4: $\square$

The speaker:
A talks about a video he/she would like to make.
B describes how an online video can help your career.
C talks about his/her own experience of producing a viral video.
D has become famous because of a video.
E suggests a few reasons why some videos go viral.
F has to watch online videos as part of his/her job.
G enjoys watching videos of people doing silly things.

## 3 Listening comprehension

Listen to six speakers talking about different events and experiences and choose the correct answer

## Example:

1 Speaker 1 is talking about a

- reception
wedding
funeral

2 Speaker 2 is talking about a promotion victory parade protest

3 Speaker 3 is talking about a miracle publicity stunt practical joke

4 Speaker 4 is talking about a talent show soap opera reality TV show

5 Speaker 5 is talking about (a) mass media

- broadsheet tabloid

6 Speaker 6 is talking about a/an nuclear bomb earthquake
volcanic eruption

## Listening Section 1

Task Types:
Multiple choice and Multiple Matching

## 3 Listening comprehension

Listen to six speakers talking about relationships. Match the speakers with what they say.


## Listening Section 1 <br> Task Types: <br> Multiple choice and Multiple Matching

5 (40) 1.53 Listen to five dialogues. Choose the correct answers.
1 How much is the blue skirt?
a £15
(b) $£ 20$
c £25

2 The speakers are in a
a park. b shopping centre.
c restaurant.
3 What time does the concert start?
a 6.45
b 7.15
c 7.45

4 What's the weather like?
a It's sunny. b It's raining. c It's cold.
5 What are the speakers doing?
a eating lunch
b studying
c playing a game

7 (40) 2.50 Listen again and match statements a-e with speakers 1-4. There is one extra statement.
$1 \square$ Declan $2 \square$ Louise $3 \square$ Annie $4 \square$ Brett
a doesn't ride a bike in town any more.
b enjoys riding a bike.
c lived in another town when he/she was younger.
d is planning to live in a different place.
e lives outside the town.

## Listening Section 2

Task Type:
Dictation

## DICTATION

8 (41) 2.37 Listen, then listen again and write down what you hear.

# Any reading text or listening script or a part of them from the course books can be used for dictogloss activity 

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6 CD-1.34 the sel 1 Jacki inter 2 Whe part
3 Jacki abou
4 Altho alwas
5 Jacki of a
6 Jacki took
7 In Ja fnish
8 Jacki her

## EXAM FOCUS Sentence completion

## Listening Section 3 Task Type: <br> Sentence/Note Completion

6 CD-3.10 MP3-99 Listen to someone t complete the sentences with a wort

1 The speaker mentions an illness wh from in $\qquad$ .
2 Unfortunately, we don't have the r illness yet.
3 This illness isn't passed to other pe 4 The school previously organised a children's $\qquad$ .
5 The school hopes to get at least 6 The event involves a very long _7 The event should be fi nished by

EXAM FOCUS Sentence completion
3 CD-1.30 MP3.30 Listen again and complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.
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2 She refers to some new research that has been carried out in $\qquad$ _.
3 Ruby compares the reasons we want love to the reasons we want a $\qquad$ _.
4 According to Ruby, the need for us to love someone becomes an $\qquad$ _.
5 When they put people in $\qquad$ Chinese scientists got interesting results.
6 The area of the brain responsible for this function first a developed about $\qquad$ years ago.
7 Ruby mentions $\qquad$ as an example of something else that produces similar brain activity.
8 There's a possibility that people could take a $\qquad$ to recover from a failed love affair.

4 (40) 2.49 Listen to the telephone information line. Complete the gaps with a word or phrase.

## Listening Section 3 Task Type: <br> Sentence/Note Completion

Trip to Kes

- For maps, open every
- Top attracpencil mak
- Small 4 5 $\qquad$

Pearson

8 (4) 1.42 Listen to six people talking about what they wear.
Complete what they s
1 When I go to bed, I
2 When I go to a wed
3 When I play my fave I wear ...
4 When I'm at home,
5 When I go out with wear ...
6 When I go to a part wear ...

## Arts centre courses

- Salsa class - Monday evenings at ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$
- Fashion course on ${ }^{2}$
- Theatre group - call Kevin on ${ }^{3}$
- Computer programming starts on ${ }^{4}$ $\operatorname{costs}^{5} \mathrm{E}$ a month.


## Reading Section 4 Task Type:



## EXAM FOCUS Multiple choice

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## Text B

6 Only small boats such as yachts disappear in the Bermuda Triangle.
7 No remains of USS Cyclops were ever found and there was no sign of what had happened.
8 Nobody believes that people are kidnapped by aliens in the Bermuda Triangle.

## Reading Section 5 Task Type: ultiple Choice, Task Type: Multiple Choice, True/False

8 Find words in blue in the texts that have similar meanings to the underlined words in Exercise 7.
1 shouting $=$ yelling, dive $=$ plunge
9 In pairs, discuss possible explanations for the mysteries in texts A and B. Compare your ideas with other students in the class.
WORD STORE 2F


## John Hendricks and the Discovery Channel

After a successful career in university education, John S. Hendricks entered the TV business and launched the Discovery Channel - ${ }^{3}$ __ - in June 1985. Today, the company's programmes reach over $15^{n}$ in more than a hundred countries. In a competition for TV audiences has neve Discovery Channel's high-quality, educ continues to defy those who believe th about mindless entertainment. The BB Walking with Dinosaurs became the $m$ documentary in TV history when it wa Discovery Channel in 2000.

## Reading Section 6 Task Type: Answering Questions

2 who took the idea of correspondence courses to the United States?

## Benn Pitman

3 what three methods were originally used for coursework by the Open University?
mail, TV and radio programmes

4 what entry qualifications are required to do a course at the Open University? none

TV AND FILM STARS
RISKS: Acting is not dangerous like football (except when the actor insists on doing their own stunts). But for some film and television roles, the star's looks are important.


Who? Daniel Craig, actor
What is insured? ${ }^{3}$ idea The mirrors are How much? $\$ 9.5$ million

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\text { Reading Section } 7 \\
\text { Task Type: } \\
\text { Gap-fill (Table/Summary) }
\end{gathered}
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## TV AND FILM STARS

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## A) Under a canoe

I was in the Lake District with my family for our summer holiday. There were four of us: Dad, Mum, my grumpy twelve-year-old sister and me. On the first day it was raining, but we decided to hire some s canoes.


## -4.

Mum and I set off in our canoe while Dad had to share with my sister and put up with her bad mood. The lake was calm. It stopped raining and I felt the warmth of the sun on my shoulders. All around us were dense forest 10 and steep hills. On the other side, a waterfall cascaded down the hillside into the lake. 'This is all right,' I thought.
Seconds later, I was less happy. While he was admiring the view, Dad crashed into our canoe and knocked us into the water. It was cold - extremely cold. And wet.
sortunately, we survived (the cold and the embarrassment).

## Complex tasks/ '"Text mining" Gapped sentences, answering questions, vocabulary work

5 Complete the sentences with words from the stories that have a similar meaning to the words in brackets.

## Story A

1 Does the writer suggest that her sister is usually grumpy? (bad-tempered)
2 Does the father have to $\qquad$ his daughter's bad mood? (tolerate)
3 What happened as the father was $\qquad$ ? (enjoying the scenery)
Story B
4 What did the writer $\qquad$ to get ideas for things to do? (read quickly)
5 Did they fi nd a place to $\qquad$ at the stunning vie(vsik for a long time)
6 Did they sit on a bench $\qquad$ Tibidabo? (with a view over)

## Writing correspondence Notes

The information you want the other person to know
I'm having a party.
1
I'm going into town.
Help! I don't understand my homework.
I'm really ill - I can't come.
The bus is really late $\Theta$

- A request, offer or invitation (optional)

Would you like to come?
2 Can you help?
Perhaps we could meet tomorrow?
Please wait for me.

## Arrangements

I should be outside the shop at 2.30 .


Let's meet in front of the cinema at 8.00.
The party's starting at 10.00 .
I'm planning to be online at 9.00.

- Ending

4
See you there! /See you soon!
Let me know!
I hope you can come/help.

## Writing Time

## 5 Write a note to a friend:

(1) 2) say you want to see a film at the cinema this weekend and ask your friend if he/she would like to come
(3) suggest a time/place to meet
(4) close your message

We often use imperatives (e.g. Don't call at .../Please come/wait ...) in notes.

## Personal informal letter or email

## Focus 3 Wider World 2

3 Underline the phrases which are in the email.

Writing
A personal email describing a place

## (1) <br> Greeting

,

## - Ask for/Give news

How are you?/How are things?
2 I hope you're well.
Everything's fine here./We're all well.
L Guess what!/Big news!

## - Describe the place

The town is called ..
It's in the south of England/near .../not far
from ...
It's very big/quite small.
3 It seems nice/isn't very interesting.
There's a great park./There are some cool shops.
The flat/house isn't very big/modern. It's on the seventh floor.
It's in a quiet street.

## Close your email

(4) It's time to finish.

L I have to go now because ...

## - Closing phrase

(5) See you!/Cheers!/Best wishes,/Love,/ All the best,/Take care! PROSVESHCHENIYE


Writing Time
5 Imagine you moved to your home town last week. Write an email to tell your friend about the town:
(1) 2 greet your friend, ask for and give news
(3) describe the place
(4) 5 close the email

Use Billy's email and the Writing box to help you.

Connect your ideas with linking
Watch words (and, but, because, so).

## Writing factual text Blog entry

## Lee Marshall <br> Harlow Mill, near London, England alternative/lo-fi

## About me

-My name is Lee Marshall and I'm fifteen. I'm English. I live with my parents and my sister, Ruby, in Harlow Mill, nea at Harlow Mill High School. My Music, Art and English.
 I like books and movies but my bis favourite band is Arcade Fire - the they're awesome. In my free time, I make music on my laptop ever write songs. Click on the media and tell me what you think!

A personal introduc

## Personal details

My name is ...
I'm ... years old.
I come from ... [place]/ I'm ... [
I live with my family in/My home
I'm in Year ... at ... School.

## Interests/Hobbies

I like/I'm into/l'm mad about
I'm interested in/My big passior My favourite ... is ...
In my free time,/Outside school I often ...

## Routines

3 I often/sometimes/usually ...
I ... once a week/every day.

3 In pairs, read Lee's introduct the things he writes about.

5 Look at the Writing box. Complete the sentences to make them true for you. Look at Lee's text to help you.

## Writing Time

6 Write a personal introduction for a webpage. Use the Writing box and Lee's text to help you.

## Write about:

(1) personal details
(2) interests and hobbies
(3) routines
Steve Irwin was a famous TV pI
He was born in Australia in 15
a small zoo. Steve started wohe was nine years old. He did continued working at the zoo

- In 1992 Steve married his girl honeymoon Steve and his new for their zoo. They recorded tl
The Crocodile Hunter. The shc people in 120 countries watc

Steve died in September 200 attack by a stingray*. The nev fans across the world.

## Writing Time

6 Write a short biography (70-100 words) of Bear Grylls. Use the fact box, the biography of Steve Irwin and the Writing box to help you.

Write about:
(1) why he is famous
(2) 3 his childhood and early career
(4) his later life

## Writing factual text Article

## An article

I can write an article about a past event.

## Snowboarding for the first time!

Last month my friend and I went to Austria and tried snowboarding. We'd both skied before, but snowboarding was a completely new sport for us.
We'd booked some lessons before we arrived and on the first morning we hired our helmets, boots and boards. We were both feeling quite nervous, but very excited as we took the lift up the mountain. The first lesson was really challenging and we fell over A LOT! By the end of the first day, we were exhausted.

The following morning, our legs were aching and tired, but we didn't give up. After three days of lessons, we felt more confident and we were really starting to enjoy ourselves. On the fourth day, we tried a more difficult slope and I'm proud to say I got all the way to the bottom without falling over.

5 Read the WRITING FOCUS. Then comple words and phrases in pink in the article.

## WRITING FOCUS

An article about a past event

## Opening

- In the first paragraph, say where and when took olace and who was involved.
7 Choose the correct opt Last weekend, ${ }^{1}$ after / th my friends and I comple race. ${ }^{2}$ Finally / On the fir met at the start and at 8 hours / At first, our grous 4Finally / By the end of t three kilometres. ${ }^{\text {T The }}$ fo we started walking agair we reached the finish aft were extremely tired, bu


## Writing task

You have seen this announcement on an international students' website.

Have you had a new experience or tried a new activity for the first time?
Write an article about it for our website and other people can read about it.

A Write your article in 100-120 words. Follow these steps.

- Say when and where the experience took place and who was involved.
- Describe what happened in terms of hours or days.
- Say how you and/or the other people involved felt.
- Say what happened in the end.
- Say how you and/or the other people felt at the end.
- Conclude with a general point and a personal recommendation.


## Useful language

- Last summer I went
- It was a completely new experience for me.
- The first day was
- I was feeling really ...
- By the end of the day we were/had ...
- I would definitely recommend it.

B Use the ideas in the WRITING FOCUS and the model to help you.

## Writing narrative text Story

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A story
I can write a story.
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## What a nightmare!

We were completely unprepared for the journey! A family holiday for Christmas in Sweden, in a cabin in the middle of a forest. Sounds amazing, doesn't it? The problem was, Mum and Dad hadn't really thought about it.
'Snow tyres?' said my dad when someone on the ferry asked him 'I didn't know we needed them!' Oh yes, we did! It was the middle of the night and there was a snowstorm when we started driving from the port to the cabin. It was a nightmare! It was easily the scariest journey I've ever been on.
On the long road to the forest it was completely dark, apart fil lights, hardly any other cars and the snow made it nearly imp addition to this, the car kept sliding from one side of the road
My little brother, Mike, thought it was great fun and a BIG adv finally reached the cabin, we all got out of the car. Dad's face brilliant holiday, but dad bought some snow tyres for the retu

## 3 Read the WRITING FOCUS. Then complete it with

 examples from the story.
## WRITING FOCUS

## A story

Introduction

- Use an opening sentence that makes the reader want to read on.
- Set the scene for the story so the reader can imagine what might happen next.
- Finish with a problem or at a point which is exciting or interesting.
Main paragraphs
- Use a range of different narrative tenses to tell the story.
- Use strong adjectives to make the story exciting.
- Use sequencers so the reader can follow the story.
- Use short sentences for dramatic effect.

Use some direct speech to make the story come alive.

- Use adverbs to make adjectives stronger
- Use a comparative structure to emphasise a point.


## Concluding paragraph

- Think of an exciting, interesting or fun ending to the story to make the reader remember it.

You have seen this announcement in an internationa magazine for schools, asking for contributions of stories about journeys for a future issue.

## Stories about journeys

We are looking for stories about journeys for our
magazine. Write a story that begins with this sentence: It had come at last - the morning I had waited for, for so long.
Your story must include:

- a train
- a passenger.

A Write your story in 140-190 words. Follow these steps.

- Start with the sentence given.
- Explain why you had waited for so long.
- Say what happened next.
- Include the two items given in the story.
- Give your story an interesting ending.


## Useful language

- It was Sunday morning/my birthday/the first day of my holidays.
- I was sitting/lying/talking/waiting .
- Suddenly/At first/After that/When/Finally/At last
- It was horrible/wonderful/amazing/a nightmare!
- She said, '...'
- It was so exciting.// was so excited.
- I shall never forget/always remember ...
- It was the best/worst journey l've ever...


## Writing task

## Writing critical text Review

## 4 Read the WRITING FOCUS and check your answers to

 Exercise 3.
## WRITING FOCUS

## A review of an event

Opening

- Begin with an interesting, funny or unusual title to catch the reader's attention.
- Hold the reader's attention with an introduction which asks a question or gives interesting facts.


## Body

- Describe the event using a variety of adjectives and modifiers.
- Make your descriptions interesting by saying what you saw, heard, smelled and tasted.
- Include personal opinions and suggestions.

Closing

- Finish with a recommendation for the reader.

5 Find examples in the review of descriptions of what the writer saw, heard or smelled.

You have seen this announcement on an international students' website.

## Reviews wanted: Charity event:

Have you recently been to or helped organise a charity event? Write a review of the event for our website, explaining what happened during the day, how successful it was and what changes you would suggest for the next time this event is held.

A Write your review in 140-190 words. Follow these steps.

- Begin with something to attract the reader's attention.
- Describe and give your opinion on the various events of the day.
- Make the descriptions interesting by including things you saw, heard, tasted, etc.
- Make some suggestions for next year's event.
- Conclude with a personal recommendation.


## Useful language

- My school friends and I were able to ... in this year's..
- During the day I heard various
- The sun was shining and everybody was
- This year there were many.
- I was expecting ... , but there wasn't
- I'd suggest they change ... for next year's event.
- If you are looking for a ... , then I would definitely recommend the

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## Writing analytical text Essay For and Against

### 5.7 Writing

## A 'for and against' essay

I can present and support arguments in a 'for and against' essay.

Nowadays, many of us live in a world of high technology and instant communication. For mo people, it is hard to believe that, in places like th Amazonian rainforest, there are still tribes who never had contact with the outside world. Some people think that we should make contact with groups, but others believe they should be left al
On the one hand, there are several arguments $f$ making contact. First of all, the people in these tribes could enjoy a better standard of living. Fo example, they could get access to electricity an running water. Furthermore, the young people c tribes could go to school and benefit from a mo education. They would probably be amazed to about modern technology and life in other parts the world.

On the other hand, there are also many argume against making contact. Firstly, after contact, m tribal people suffer and die from diseases that c exist in the forests where they live. Next, histor shows that tribal people often join larger societ the lowest level. For instance, many tribal peop

3 Complete the box with the linkers in pink the essay.

## Use linkers to:

- list arguments: ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$ firstly, secondly, ${ }^{2}$ $\qquad$ , finally
- give examples: for example, ${ }^{3}$ $\qquad$
- show contrast: however, ${ }^{4}$ $\qquad$ , on the other hand
- give a personal opinion: in my opinion, 5 $\qquad$
- introduce a conclusion: in conclusion, " $\qquad$

4 Read the essay again. In which paragraph (1-4) does the writer:
a give a personal opinion?
b present arguments against the topic?
c introduce both sides of the issue?
d present arguments for the topic?
e make some general or factual comments about the topic?
f make astatement summarising the main arguments?
g support arguments with examples?

## Writing task

In your English class you have been talking about keeping animals in zoos. Now your teacher has asked you to write an essay. Write your essay using all the notes and give reasons for your point of view.

## Is it a good idea to keep animals in zoos?

## Notes

- research
- animal suffering
(your own idea)

A Write your essay in 140-190 words. Follow these steps.

- Write four clear paragraphs.
- Put the 'for' and 'against' arguments in separate paragraphs.
- Give examples using for instance or for example.
- Use ideas from Exercises 6 and 7.
- Conclude with a summarising statement and a personal opinion.


## Useful language

- Some people think that we should/shouldn't ...
- On the one hand, there are several arguments for keeping ...
- For example, we could ...
- On the other hand, there are many arguments against keeping
- To sum up, there are clearly arguments for and against...


## Writing analytical text Essay Opinion

5 Read the WRITING FOCUS and complete it with the words in the box.
$\left[\begin{array}{lcc}\text { linkers } & \text { point of view } \\ \text { summary } & \text { reader } \\ \text { support }\end{array}\right]$

## WRITING FOCUS

An opinion essay
Opening

- Introduce the topic and give a clear statement of your main ${ }^{1}$ $\qquad$


## Body

- Include two or three paragraphs with more detailed personal opinions and ${ }^{2}$ $\qquad$ these with reasons and examples.


## Closing

- Include a ${ }^{3}$ $\qquad$ of your main point of view. Use different words to the statement in the introduction.
- Include a fi nal comment which leaves the ${ }^{4}$ $\qquad$ with something to think about.
- Remember to use ${ }^{5}$ $\qquad$ to make your essay easier to follow.


## Writing task

In your English class you have been talking about politeness and manners. Now your teacher has asked you to write an essay. Write your essay using all the notes below and give reasons for your point of view.

Young people today are unfriendly and selfish because their parents and schools don't teach them manners. Do you agree?

## Notes

- only a minority
- influence of TV and films
$\cdot$ $\qquad$ (your own idea)

A Write your essay in 140-190 words. Follow these steps.

- Start by stating your opinion on the comment.
- Write about all the notes in the question.
- Support your reasons with examples.
- Use linkers to help the reader follow your essay.
- In the last paragraph, include a summary of your view with different words to your opening opinion statement.
- End with a final comment to give the reader something to consider.


## Useful language

- It is not unusual for young people to
- To begin with, l'd like to point out .
- Next, as far as I am concerned, most
- For example, many of my friends like to


## Activity 12a

Read the essay below and match the purposes in the checklist with each paragraph.
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## TOO YOUNG TO CHANGE?

A In today's society, image is more important than ever before. With a growing online presence for most young people comes the importance of 'looking good', and as a consequence of this, many young people turn to cosmetic surgery in order to maintain the 'perfect' image. This essay will explore the arguments for and against the statement: People should be allowed to have cosmetic surgery before the age of eighteen.

B There are several arguments in favour of the statement. ${ }^{1}$ First of all, if a child was disfigured in some way, and was being bullied at school, then cosmetic surgery would be justified. 2 $\qquad$ , surgery may sometimes be necessary for medical reasons. ${ }^{3}$ $\qquad$ , if someone is old enough to drive or get married at sixteen, then they should be able to decide for themselves about cosmetic surgery.

C 5 $\qquad$ , it's important to ${ }^{6}$ $\qquad$ , that a decision because of peer pressure, then regret it la would not be able to cope with the risks and possibla surgery. ${ }^{8}$ $\qquad$ , society should not encourag more important than anything else.

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${ }^{9}$ , there are strong arguments on both si the arguments against cosmetic surgery under the ag those for, and so it should not be allowed.

## Essay layout Paragraphing Linking

introduction to the topic of the essay
arguments in favour of the statement
conclusion, in which the writer introduces
his/her opinion
arguments against the statement

## Activity 11a

The following text is a summary of the article, posted on a forum. Complete the summary with the phrases in the box.

## This article is about

I recently read an article on the rise of ebooks which I found really interesting. This article is about how ebooks have become very popular. According to the article ,one major online bookseller has reported that they are now selling more ebooks than traditional paperback and hardback novels.

Apparently , this has caused many people to suggest that the increase in popularity of ebooks means this might be the end of the traditional paper book. The writer disagrees with this though, and he argues that there will always be a demand for traditional books, and that people said similar things about television and radio when they appeared. In fact, I was surprised to find that although more ebooks are being sold than paperback and hardback books, sales of these are also rising.
The main point that comes out of it is that although ebooks are going to become very common in the coming years, it doesn't mean that traditional novels will disappear altogether.

What do you think? Do you like ebooks or do you still prefer the reassuring feel of a paper novel?
I'd be interested to hear what you think . $\quad$, обучаем! | language 360. ru 109

## Paraphrasing

## A STORY OF HOPE

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Hope is a sixteen-year-old girl who g recovered. Her classmate tells her st Hope was one of the best students in our been absent from school for several we worried. We decided to go to her village was wrong.

5 When we arrived, Hope's mother told sick with malaria. We were shocked - we malaria could be. We asked how it ha mother explained, 'One evening, Hope v had terrible headaches. She had no appe 10 for a few days. We thought that she had b long. My husband gave Hope some her it didn't help. Her condition began to she developed new symptoms. The fev she started vomiting. At this point, I was sur

5 but I didn't know what to do.'
Fortunately, we had learnt about malaria at told her mother that she needed medicine q

## 5 Replace get in the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in blue in the article.

1 You can't get/oatch malaria from other people.

2 You get/ $\qquad$ symptoms such as headaches, fever and vomiting.

3 If you get/___ ill with malaria, you need medicine immediately.
4 Doctors can give you an injection and get/ $\qquad$ you medicine that will cure you.
5 With the right medicine, you can get better/ $\qquad$ .

## A narrative

Write a story entitled $A$ day $I^{\prime} / l$ never forget. You can use these prompts to help you:

- Where did the experience take place and what were the circumstances?
-Who were the main people involved?
-What were the main events?
- How did you feel?
- What happened in the end?

Write 120-180 words.

## A speculative covering letter

## Writing

You are organising a concert to raise money for a local children's charity (choose name). Write an email to a local business owner (choose name of company and contact) asking him/her to pay for an advertisement in the concert programme.

Write 200-250 words.

You are looking for a job at your local newspaper. Write a speculative letter to see if they have any opportunities.

## Writing 17 An online review

Write a review of a restaurant you have recently eaten at. You should include:

## the location

the positives
the negatives
your overall opinion

## Write 200-250 words.

## Activity 17: Writing an informal email

You lost touch with one of your best friends when you moved to a new area. After finding their profile on a social networking site, you have decided to send them an email. You should include the following: introduction
questions for them
your personal update
reason for email
Write 120-150 words.


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- 3 levels- A1, A2, B1
- Can be used separately
- Exam-format tasks
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- Samples


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## Focus PTE Exam Practice Tests

- 4 levels- A2, B1, B2, C1
- Can be used separately
- Exam-format tasks
- Exam Strategy
- Preparation Tips
- Samples


## PTE Skills Boosters - practice tests



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4 levels A2-C1
5 variants of tests
Suitable for the Revision for OGE
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## Past Papers

## Resources for PTE Young Learners

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