

# ENGLISH TEST

70 minutes.

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Faculty: \_\_\_\_\_ Year of study \_\_\_\_\_ Department (Specialization): \_\_\_\_\_

A. Complete each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the sentence before it.

1. She asked me why I had arrived so late. "Why DID YOU ARRIVE SO LATE?" she asked.
2. Please don't eat inside the building. Might I ask you NOT TO EAT INSIDE THE BUILDING?
3. When does the next bus leave? Does anybody know when THE NEXT BUS LEAVES?
4. In spite of knowing nothing, he passed the exam. Although HE KNEW NOTHING, HE PASSED THE EXAM.
5. I live in a building that has five floors. I live in a FIVE-FLOOR building.
6. Couldn't you find a better restaurant than this? Is this THE BEST RESTAURANT YOU COULD FIND?
7. This room is 6 metres long and 3 metres wide.  
This room is 6 metres in LENGTH and three metres in WIDTH.
8. How long is it since we last met? When DID WE LAST MEET?
9. I regret staying up late last night. I wish I HAD NOT STAYED UP LATE LAST NIGHT.
10. Winters are not as cold as they used to be. Winters used TO BE COLDER THAN THEY ARE NOW.
11. "Why did she leave me?" I wonder why SHE LEFT ME.
12. Never forget the importance of having good friends.  
The importance OF HAVING GOOD FRIENDS SHOULD NEVER BE FORGOTTEN.
13. To make the room cooler, open the window. You can make the room cooler BY OPENING THE WINDOW.
14. We discussed for a long time before we reached an agreement.  
After a lengthy DISCUSSION WE REACHED AN AGREEMENT.
15. Laura has taught her son to cook his own meals. Laura's son HAS BEEN TAUGHT TO COOK HIS OWN MEALS.

B. Complete this text. Each point in the text represents ONE LETTER.

Police investigating a comp<sup>LA</sup> over noise at a Hollywood fancy-dress party shot and kil<sup>LE</sup> one of the gue<sup>ST</sup>s, a black actor who was dres<sup>SE</sup>d as the Devil, when he wa<sup>VE</sup>d a toy gun.

Two officers from the much-criti<sup>CIZ</sup> Los Angeles Police Department arr<sup>IV</sup>ed at the \$3.5 million house in Beverly Hills at 1am on Saturday to ask the owners to tu<sup>RN</sup> down the music. All the guests at the Halloween party were profes<sup>SIO</sup>nals from the film and music industry and co-operated fu<sup>LL</sup>y with the police.

The officers then peered thr<sup>OU</sup>gh a window and sa<sup>W</sup> a group of people dressed as ghouls and goblins. One of th<sup>EM</sup>, Anthony Dwain Lee, 39, wearing a red cape and ho<sup>RS</sup>, saw the officers and waved a replica gun. Officer Tarriel Hopper, 27, immediately opened fi<sup>RE</sup> and shot Mr Lee six times, killing him instantly.

C. Fill in the blanks, using a form of the word in brackets. You may need to write more than 1 word.

1. What is the WIDTH of that wall? (WIDE)
2. Spanish IS SPOKEN in Guatemala. (SPEAK)
3. The price REDUCTIONS in the sales were amazing. (REDUCE)
4. Noone seems to be INTERESTED my opinions. (INTEREST)
5. Our results were unsatisfactory because our MEASUREMENTS were inaccurate. (MEASURE)
6. The exam is much SHORTER than I had expected. (SHORT)
7. The results of the ANALYSIS were alarming (ANALYSE)
8. Give me a DETAILED description of what happened (DETAIL)
9. We need RELIABLE information that this! (RELY)
10. Prepare yourself ADEQUATELY, so that you can study successfully in English (ADEQUATE)



Oxford Street in London is Britain's busiest street, and it is never busier than in December, when Christmas shoppers come into contact ANY often into conflict with people WHO to get to and from work. IN order to deal with the PROBLEM a radical proposal has been PUT forward. There will be areas set aside FOR tourists and shoppers, and also special FAST lanes for pedestrians.

A campaign code-named Operation Tugboat AIMS to reduce aggressive behaviour sometimes REFERRED to as "pavement rage" on the crowded shopping street. The plans, which HAVE been submitted to Westminster City council, ARE intended to MAKE life easier for people who have to make their WAY through tourists and shoppers to GET to work.

work. Rhona Harrison, a spokesperson for Operation Tugboat, said THAT the street would be patrolled by marshals. Slow walkers WHO are caught straying into the fast lane could be FINED £10. Speed cameras might even be used.

*E. Napiš anglicky 130-200 slov, kterými vysvětlíš cizinci 1. Proč čeští studenti hledají během svých studií zaměstnání 2. Jaké druhy zaměstnání hledají 3. Zda si myslíš, že je pro studenty dobré mít zaměstnání během studií Your answer should be RELEVANT, BRIEF, WELL-ARGUED, WELL-ORGANISED and WELL-PRESENTED.*

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A. Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the sentence before it.

1. "Why did she leave me?" I wonder why SHE LEFT ME
2. "Don't ask stupid questions," she said to me. She told ME NOT TO ASK STUPID QUESTIONS
3. She asked why I wanted her to stay. "WHY DO YOU WANT TO STAY?" she asked.
4. Why didn't I speak to her more kindly? I should HAVE SPOKEN TO HER MORE KINDLY.
5. My daughter was born 6 years ago. I have a SIX-YEAR-OLD daughter.
6. Is this the only kind of beer you could find? Couldn't YOU FIND ANY OTHER KIND OF BEER.
7. Yesterday a hairdresser cut my hair. Yesterday I HAD MY HAIR CUT.
8. Don't overrate the importance of money. The importance OF MONEY SHOULD NOT BE OVERRATED.
9. They took away my driving licence to prevent me having an accident.  
They prevented me having an accident BY TAKING AWAY MY DRIVING LICENCE.
10. We negotiated for a long time before signing the deal. After lengthy NEGOTIATIONS WE SIGNED THE DEAL.

B. Complete this text. Each point in the text represents ONE LETTER.

Not everybody enjoys travelling by train in this country. Some people complain that the trains are slow and dirty, and that the compartments are often overcrowded. Because of these problems I try to avoid travelling in the peak periods. However, if you travel at the right time and to the right destination, the journey can be a real pleasure. My favourite train leaves Prague just before 9 a.m. and heads for Olomouc and Ostrava. I can do quite a lot of work as the train makes its way across east Bohemia and north Moravia, arriving in Ostrava shortly after 1 p.m. It is much more satisfactory than going to Ostrava by car.

C. Fill in the blanks, using a form of the word in brackets. You may need to write more than 1 word.

1. We must improve the ACCURACY of our measurements (ACCURATE)
2. We want you to be able to study SUCCESSFULLY in English. (SUCCESS)
3. Please make your REQUIREMENTS clear, so that we can attempt to fulfil them (REQUIRE)
4. Mathematics is MORE ABSTRACT than physics. (ABSTRACT)
5. He was not able to provide a good DESCRIPTION of the thief (DESCRIBE)
6. The parcel HAS BEEN LOST in the post. (LOSE)
7. His PRESENTATION of the results was not very clear. (PRESENT)
8. The results were presented in an INSUFFICIENTLY clear manner. (SUFFICIENT)
9. The statistician seemed to make a lot of unjustified ASSUMPTIONS. (ASSUME)
10. The risk of catastrophic accidents needs to be MINIMIZED (MINIMUM)



The twentieth century is the noisy century. Noise can harm our ears. It can AFFECT the quality of our lives and our psychological HEALTH. Many KINDS of noise are harmful, but very loud noises are the MOST dangerous. Low frequency noise and vibration also have serious long-term EFFECTS.

In the design of factory buildings, engineers must BEAR noise protection in mind. They can use barriers TO deflect sound and materials which absorb it. Sound insulation is much easier and much MORE effective if there is a distance between the worker and the SOURCE of the noise.

A correctly-located industrial area should not AFFECT people living outside the area. When they study the location of an industrial area, town PLANNERS must bear in mind industrial noise and the noise of heavy TRAFFIC going to and from the area.

Generally SPEAKING, transport noise, commercial noise (e.g. from bars and restaurants) and domestic noise CAUSE more disturbance to people than industrial noise does.

E. In 120 - 200 words, give three pieces of advice for an American student coming to study in Prague. Your answer should be BRIEF, INFORMATIVE, WELL-ORGANISED and WELL-PRESENTED.

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- Please don't smoke inside the building.  
Would you mind NOT SMOKING INSIDE THE BUILDING.
- When does the next bus leave?  
I need to know when THE NEXT BUS LEAVES.
- In spite of studying very hard she failed the exam.  
Although SHE HAD STUDIED VERY HARD, SHE FAILED THE EXAM.
- It was a mistake to tell lies to my mother.  
I should not HAVE TOLD LIES TO MY MOTHER.
- "Don't spend your money on cigarettes" she said.  
She told HIM NOT TO SPEND HIS MONEY ON CIGARETTES.
- I spoke to a man with blue eyes, aged 23.  
I spoke to a BLUE-EYED, 23-YEAR-OLD MAN man.
- Couldn't you find a better restaurant than this?  
Is this THE BEST RESTAURANT YOU COULD FIND?
- She asked me when I had broken my leg.  
"When DID YOU BREAK YOUR LEG", she asked.
- Do you know how wide and how deep the river is?  
Do you know the WIDTH AND THE DEPTH OF THE RIVER?
- The hairdresser cut her hair yesterday.  
Yesterday she HAD HER HAIR CUT.

B. Complete this text. Each point in the text represents ONE LETTER.

The first balloon was inven<sup>T</sup>ED by two French bro<sup>T</sup>HERS, Josephe Montgolfier and Jacques Montgolfier, with the he<sup>L</sup>P of their sis<sup>S</sup>TER Marianne. They not<sup>I</sup>CE<sup>D</sup> that the sm<sup>O</sup>KE from a fire ri<sup>S</sup>E into the air. One day, they fil<sup>L</sup>ED a paper bag with smoke, and fo<sup>U</sup>ND that the smoke lif<sup>T</sup>ED the bag into the air. Th<sup>E</sup>n they made a very large bag, 33 feet in diam<sup>E</sup>TER. On 4 June 1783 they filled it with smoke and wat<sup>E</sup>R. it rise into the air. It ro<sup>S</sup>E to a height of 6 000 feet. The brothers tho<sup>U</sup>GH<sup>T</sup> that they had disco<sup>V</sup>E<sup>R</sup>E<sup>D</sup> a new gas. They did n<sup>O</sup>T know that gases expand rap<sup>I</sup>D<sup>L</sup>Y when hea<sup>T</sup>ED. A cu<sup>B</sup>IC metre of hot air contains fe<sup>W</sup>ER molecules than a sim<sup>I</sup>LAR volume of cold air.

C. Fill in the blanks, using a form of the word in brackets. You may need to write more than 1 word.

- The WEIGHT of the apparatus needs to be reduced. (WEIGH)
- I have come to report the LOSS of my passport. (LOSE)
- Climate change seems to be causing CATASTROPHIC disasters. (CATASTROPHE)
- All our efforts seem to end in FAILURE. (FAIL)
- Engineers should have good ANALYTICAL thinking. (ANALYSE)
- Fill in the APPLICATION form carefully. (APPLY)
- The REJECTION of his insurance claim made him furious. (REJECT)
- We will take your evidence into CONSIDERATION. (CONSIDER)
- The change in the weather ENABLED us to harvest the apples successfully. (ABLE)
- The COMPLETION date for our project is December 31<sup>st</sup>. (COMPLETE)



D. Complete the following article, writing ONE WORD ONLY in each space.

"On a typical Monday morning in summer I GET up before 5 o'clock. Our flight TAKES off shortly after 7, and I HAVE to check in one and a HALF hours before take off. Before the DEPARTURE, I have to prepare the cabin AND toilets, and make sure that the FOOD and drinks are on board. The airline THAT I work for does not have any LONG-distance flights, just short and medium distance ones. THERE are no overnight stopovers, except WHEN weather conditions prevent take off or LANDING, or when the plane develops technical PROBLEMS. When the passengers come on board, we welcome THEM and show them to their seats. THEN we read the safety instructions. Food and drinks HAVE to be served, and then we SELL duty-free whisky and cigarettes. We have to DEAL with any problems that arise. Generally SPEAKING, though, the passengers are no problem. When the AIRCRAFT arrives at its destination there is only a 45- MINUTE interval for turning round, during WHICH time we have to prepare the plane FOR the return flight."

E. In 120 – 200 words, explain to a foreign student the three biggest problems that Czech students have nowadays. Your answer should be **RELEVANT**, **BRIEF**, **WELL-ARGUED**, **WELL-ORGANISED** and **WELL-PRESENTED**.

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- "Don't ask stupid questions, Fred," she said. She told FRED NOT TO ASK STUPID QUESTIONS.
- I regret that I did not help my parents. I should HAVE HELPED MY PARENTS.
- Is this the only kind of bread you could find? Couldn't YOU FIND ANY OTHER KIND OF BREAD?
- How long is it since we last met? When DID WE LAST MEET?
- I've never seen a more beautiful city than Prague. Prague is THE MOST BEAUTIFUL CITY I HAVE EVER SEEN.
- You should not forget the importance of having powerful friends.  
 The importance OF HAVING POWERFUL FRIENDS SHOULD NOT BE FORGOTTEN.
- Winters used to be colder than they are nowadays. Winters are not AS COLD AS THEY USED TO BE.
- Don't let me forget to buy some flowers. Could you REMEMBER ME TO BUY SOME FLOWERS?
- A bank manager will only lend you money if he thinks you can repay it.  
 A bank manager will not LEND YOU MONEY UNLESS HE THINKS YOU CAN REPAY IT.
- Find out why she arrived so late. "Why DID SHE ARRIVE SO LATE?"

B. Complete this text. Each point in the text represents ONE LETTER.

Let me tell you the sto<sup>ry</sup> of my li<sup>fe</sup>. I used to be an ar<sup>my</sup> officer, but I had a terrible problem a co<sup>uple</sup> of years a<sup>go</sup>. I was sent to pr<sup>ison</sup> for a crime that I did not com<sup>mit</sup>. I know that all pri<sup>soners</sup> say that! I worked in army inte<sup>lligence</sup> and some hig<sup>hly</sup> confidential papers disappeared from my office. The police fo<sup>und</sup> them in my car, but I swear that I had not p<sup>ut</sup> them there my<sup>self</sup>. Someone el<sup>se</sup> must ha<sup>ve</sup> done it, so that everyone w<sup>ould</sup> think that I had sto<sup>len</sup> them. But who would want to frame me? I did not have an en<sup>emy</sup> in the wo<sup>rl</sup>d! My life is now ru<sup>ined</sup>! Ever<sup>ybody</sup> thinks I am a criminal!

C. Fill in the blanks, using a form of the word in brackets. You may need to write more than 1 word.

- The water is 4 metres in DEPTH. (DEEP)
- Your books should not BE LEFT there. (LEAVE)
- The DISAPPEARANCE of his key caused him a lot of trouble. (DISAPPEAR)
- Fuel CONSUMPTION needs to be reduced. (CONSUME)
- There has been a REDUCTION in the numbers of applicants. (REDUCE)
- There has been a SIGNIFICANT decrease in the numbers of strong applicants. (SIGNIFY)
- More power needs to BE PRODUCED. (PRODUCE)
- The INVENTION of the wheel changed the history of the world. (DISCOVER) (INVENT)
- The response to our article was FAVORABLE. (FAVOUR)
- The INFORMATION that I received was unreliable. (INFORM)

C. Fill in the blanks, using a form of the word in brackets. You may need to write more than 1 word.



Eating carrots may be as addictive as cigarette smoking, and just as difficult to give up, ACCORDING to recent research. Although it has been known SINCE the early 1900s that excessive carrot intake can TURN the skin orange, the psychological EFFECTS of such behaviour are only now coming to LIGHT. One woman patient who was eating a kilogram of carrots a day had to BE treated in a psychiatric clinic. THIS woman started consuming huge NUMBERS of carrots while pregnant, but MANAGED to stop for 15 years after her BABY was born. The habit RETURNED after an illness, when she resorted to buying AND eating carrots secretly. Switching TO another vegetable helped her to overcome her dependency. She now survives happily on a carrot-free DIET. Another case INVOLVES a man who NEEDED help to give up cigarettes. His wife advised him to replace smoking BY eating vegetables. He soon BEGAN eating up to five bunches of carrots A day. The man LATER abandoned his carrot habit. Unfortunately, however, he very soon STARTED smoking again.

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