

## BÀI KIỂM TRA TIẾNG ANH LỚP 8

### TRANSCRIPT



#### Topic 1

**Listening to the conversation and tick True or False for each of the questions below**

Jane: Hey Mike! How's it going?

Mike: Hey Jane! I'm good, thanks. Just enjoying some spare time during the weekend.

Jane: That's great! What do you usually do during your free time?

Mike: I love playing basketball and going hiking. It's a great way to relax and stay active.

Jane: That sounds great! I love arts and crafts. I love painting and drawing in my free time.

Mike: That's really cool! Do you do anything else in your free time?

Jane: Yeah, I also enjoy reading books and listening to music.

Mike: Nice! I also like listening to music, especially when I'm working out or just staying in my room.

Jane: Definitely! It's great to know we share similar interests in our free time activities.

Mike: Sure! It's important to spend time for ourselves and do joyful things.

Jane: I agree! Let's catch up again soon and share more about our free time activities.

Mike: Sounds like a plan! Take care, Jane!

Jane: You too, Mike! Bye for now!

#### Topic 2

**Listen to Lan talking about her trip to the countryside and fill in each blank with NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS.**

I went on a trip to the countryside, and it was amazing! The countryside is a place with lots of open fields, trees, and animals. I saw many animals in nature, such as cows, sheep, and birds. The air was so fresh, and the sky was so blue. I went for a walk along the paddy fields, breathing in the clean air and enjoying the peacefulness. There were beautiful flowers blooming in the fields and I even saw a rainbow after a rain shower. I also visited a farm and learned about how farmers grow crops and take care of animals. The farmers enjoyed chatting to each other. I had a picnic with my friends by a lake and sang some folk songs. It was a wonderful trip, and I really loved the beauty of nature in the countryside. Life in the countryside was so peaceful.

### Topic 3

**Listen to the conversation between Quang and Trung and circle the correct answer for each question.**

Trung: Hey Quang, have you thought about organising a team-building trip for our classmates?

Quang: Yeah, I think it's a great idea. Our class could have some enjoyable time outside of school.

Trung: I was thinking of a picnic at the nearby park. We can have games, sports, and even a barbecue.

Quang: That sounds great! We can also do some team-building games.

Trung: Of course! It will be a great opportunity for everyone to get to know each other better and build stronger relationships.

Quang: We can also divide everyone into teams and have a friendly competition to make it more exciting.

Trung: Yeah, that would be fun! We can also plan some light activities at first so that everyone can feel more comfortable.

Quang: Perfect! Let's create a list of what we need and start getting things organised. I'm sure everyone will be excited about this team-building trip.

Trung: I agree! Let's make it a memorable event for our classmates and strengthen our class's team spirits.

### Topic 4

**Listen to the talk about helping children from ethnic minority groups and tick True or False.**

Helping children from ethnic minority groups have a better life is important. Many developed countries have given a lot of support for these children. They want to make sure that they get the same chances as other kids. Moreover, we should provide these children with good education, healthcare, and opportunities to play and learn. People should be nice to these children and respect them as much as possible. When we give help to these children, we make our communities stronger and better. We can do this by being friendly with them and accepting them. This makes them feel more welcomed. We can also support organisations that work to help these children. It is important to learn about different cultures, too. So, we can understand them better and accept the differences. All in all, we can create a world where all children can develop and have a better future.

### Topic 5

**Listen and fill in each blank with ONE word/ number.**

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We will be staying in a cozy cabin near a lake, where we can swim and go fishing. We will also explore the nearby forests and go hiking to see the beautiful scenery. At night, we will have bonfires and roast marshmallows under the stars.

I am sure it will be a memorable trip, and I would love for you to be a part of it. We can catch up on old times, share stories and have a great time together.

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To protect our water resources, we need to take action at individual and community levels. Firstly, we can reduce our use of plastic products and dispose of them properly. We should also avoid using chemicals and pesticides that can harm aquatic life and contaminate water sources. Properly disposing of household waste, recycling, and composting can also help reduce the amount of pollution that ends up in our water bodies.

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## Topic 9

**Listen to the passage and choose the best answers to the questions.**

Australia has a long history of deadly bushfires. Among the worst of these were the Victorian bushfires of January 1939.

Years of drought in Victoria were followed by a particularly hot, dry summer. On 13<sup>th</sup> January, another high-temperature day, a strong northerly wind blew up. It fanned many smaller fires burning across the state. The result was a major disaster - Black Friday.

Seventy-one people lost their lives, and hundreds of homes were destroyed. Sawmills were burnt to the ground. Sheep, cattle and horses were killed in their thousands. Countless bush animals died, and their “homes” were destroyed. Embers from the fires were carried for kilometers ahead of the main fire front, starting new fires. Reports of falling ash came from as far away as New Zealand.

An area of almost two million hectares was burned; five townships were completely destroyed and others badly damaged. There was a widespread damage to soil and water catchment areas. Recovery took decades.

It was decided a royal commission was needed to investigate the causes of the fires to find ways to improve forest and fire management, and to understand how best to protect life and property in the future.

(Adapted from English for year 5 – by Donna Gibbs)

## Topic 10

**Listen to five teenagers talking about the problems number. The statements (A – E) in the order you hear them.**

**Speaker 1:** I came at the bottom of the class in my maths exam. My teacher was so disappointed in me. She asked me if I had studied for the exam and I couldn't lie to her. I had to tell her that I had played computer games instead of revising. I felt really ashamed of myself. **(boy)**

I spend my time doing something I shouldn't

**Speaker 2:** I am not very confident. When a teacher asks me to give a talk in front of the class or asks me a question in class, I get really uncomfortable and embarrassed. My face goes red and I can't speak. I wish I wasn't so shy. **(girl)**

**Speaker 3:** My friend didn't hold his tongue. I told him a secret that I didn't want anyone else to know and he didn't keep it. What's worse, he told the biggest gossip in class! I still like my friend but I will never confide in him about anything I want to keep secret again! He is too unreliable. **(boy)**

**Speaker 4:** My dad got a new job so we had to move to London. I'm really happy to be here but I'm finding it hard to make friends at my new school. Everyone in my class is so



modern and cool. I just don't feel I fit in. Usually, I'm a really confident person who has no problem making friends ... but my new classmates make me really nervous. **(girl)**

**Speaker 5:** I think communicating with my mother is almost impossible! We fight every single day. She always wants to do things her own way. **(girl)**

(Adapted from Spotlight 8-PROSVESHCHENIYE PUBLISHERS)

### Topic 11

**Listen to the passage and decide whether the statements are TRUE or FALSE.**

Most families are now using household appliances which allowed their household chores to be done in a faster and easier manner.

One of the very best examples of such an appliance is the rice cooker. One just has to add the right amount of water to the rice. It can be left alone for the rest of the day without having to worry about burnt food.

Most housewives would appreciate the presence of vacuum cleaners in their homes.

These days, vacuum cleaners come with different functions. The common ones can suck up dirt which is then pushed into the vacuum bags. The bags can be then disposed of when they are full. Vacuum cleaner can also suck the surface of objects that are dry and also wet. Some vacuum cleaners can even remove dust mites from mattresses which have been proven to cause asthmatic attacks. Vacuum cleaners can leave your house sparkling clean.

Another useful invention of the 20th century is the microwave oven. Children who are alone at home are able to warm up the food without having to go near the stove.

(Adapted from English 4-in-1-Educational Publishing House Pte Ltd)

### Topic 12

**Listen to the passage and fill in each of the blanks with ONE or TWO words.**

#### **The Darkest Dark**

I've just read The Darkest Dark by Chris Hadfield and I've wanted to be an astronaut even more. The Darkest Dark is a picture book about a young boy named Chris who likes to pretend he's an astronaut. His only problem is that when night comes and he has to go to bed, he imagines the dark is frightening and full of aliens.

One night his father tells him they all need their sleep. Unless Chris gets a proper sleep in his own bed, he won't be allowed to stay up the next night for the special event for which they have all been waiting. Chris makes himself go to sleep immediately!

The next evening, on 20th July 1969, the small community of Stag Island in Canada gathers together before a neighbor's television. They are going to watch man land on the moon for the very first time! Chris watches the astronauts arriving in their spaceship, and then sees them bouncing on the moon, celebrating their wondrous achievement.

As he watches, he realizes the darkness of space is beautiful and magical, a place where your dreams can come true.

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## MIDTERM TEST 2

### Part 1. Listen to Robert and Marie talking about shopping and give a short answer to each of the questions.

Robert: Hi Marie. Sorry I'm late. I've been all over the town looking for a present for my mum as it's Mother's Day tomorrow ...

Marie: Yeah, I know. I got mine this morning. What did you get her?

Robert: I got her a recipe book. She loves cooking so I think she'll like it. Anyway, the bookshop is right next to her work so she can exchange it if she likes. What about you?

Marie: I got her a lovely blouse from Lucy's Boutique. It is that small clothes shop on Marshall street and my brother Andy got her a pair of sandals for the beach. They're really nice.

Robert: Sandals? That's a good idea. I hadn't thought of that and I passed the shoe shop three times!

Marie: Don't worry. I'm sure she'll like the recipe book. What did Natalie get your mum?

Robert: She got her a bracelet.

Marie: That must have been expensive.

Robert: I don't think so. She got it from the jeweller's on our street. He makes everything himself so he is cheaper.

Marie: And your stepsister?

Robert: Sara got her her favourite movie from the video shop. I think mine is the worst ...

Marie: Oh stop worrying. It's a lovely present. Plus, it's the thought that counts!

(Adapted from Spotlight Workbook 7 by Prosveshcheniye Publishers)

**Part 2: Listen to Dave and Tim talking about Eco-helpers club. And complete the sentences with NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS.**

Dave: Hi Tim, what's up?

Tim: Oh, hi Dave! What are you doing here?

Dave: Oh, I've joined the Eco-helpers club.

Tim: Oh yeah, I have heard about that. Sally collects rubbish for recycling in the park every Saturday morning, doesn't she?

Dave: That's right. She's been doing that for a month. I have been building nesting boxes.

Tim: Nesting boxes?

Dave: Well, there aren't many trees left in the city for birds to build nests. If we don't help them, they will have to leave the city.

Tim: That's interesting. What else have you been doing?

Dave: We've been planting trees and cleaning out ponds for a week now that the weather's good.

Tim: Your club sounds wonderful. I could join as well, couldn't I?

Dave: Of course, you could. We really need volunteers, but you have to see Miss Jackson first. She will tell you what to do.

Tim: Sounds great. I will join first thing next Monday morning.

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## TERM TEST 2

**Part 1. Listen to the passage WHAT IS SCIENCE and CIRCLE the best answers.**

Science is a way of thinking. Science is a form of organized curiosity. Scientists are curious people, always wanting to know about the things around them. Scientific method is the plan that scientists use to find the answers to questions. It is not easy to find a good question though,

and weak questions can lead you in the wrong direction. The rules are flexible and the plan changes with hunches and mistakes along the way. Scientists are all imaginative so that sometimes they can find very clever solutions to good questions.

What is a good question?

- It needs to be able to be solved by an investigation.
- The question must be worth solving.
- There must be enough equipment, and knowledge to actually do the experiment.
- The question must indicate what you will do, e.g. “What will happen if ....?”, “What effect will....?”

(Adapted from Science Revision Workbook by Pascal Press)

**Part 2. Listen to the advertisement and complete the missing information.**

You will never be alone with the new VIVO 500 MP3 player. It is V-I-V-O 500. This is the MP3 player you’ve been waiting for. The new VIVO 500 with its splash-proof player and headphones means you can take it to the beach or the swimming pool this summer and not worry about water. Its built-in speaker means you can share your music with your friends and not just a few songs. No, this player can store up to two thousand songs. And all for one hundred and ninety-nine pounds. It’s the best in MP3 technology: small, light and easy to carry. Get your own VIVO 500 now. For information call 0800 755 844.

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