

## Egzamin pisemny - język angielski, poziom B2 ESOKJ

### ACERT

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### WYNIKI CZĘŚCI PISEMNEJ

(Wypełnia egzaminator)

Słuchanie (Listening)		Gramatyka i słownictwo (Grammar and Vocabulary)			Czytanie (Reading)		Pisanie (Writing)	RAZEM (TOTAL)	Kody
1.1 (10)	1.2 (10)	2.1 (7)	2.2 (7)	2.3 (6)	3.1 (10)	3.2 (10)	4. (20)	(80)	Lektor 1
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## 1.1 Listening

You will hear a woman, Nancy, talking about her work as a travel blogger. For questions **1-10**, complete the notes which summarise what the speaker says. You will need to write a word or two words in each gap. Write **only** the words you hear. You will hear the recording twice. **(10 marks)**

Before going to university, Nancy had a/an \_\_\_\_\_ **(1)** which allowed her to go travelling.

A problem for many aspiring travel bloggers is they don't think about who their \_\_\_\_\_ **(2)** is going to be.

Many people read travel blogs in order to forget about the \_\_\_\_\_ **(3)** in their lives.

Travel bloggers have to communicate their \_\_\_\_\_ **(4)** in a way it is easy to read.

Nancy earns a small income as a/an \_\_\_\_\_ **(5)** for other people's websites.

Nancy is provided with sponsorship in exchange for making sure that certain products are on display in her \_\_\_\_\_ **(6)** or mentioned in her blog.

One of the most difficult parts of Nancy's job is feeling \_\_\_\_\_ **(7)** when she is away from her family.

Nancy thinks it is hard to appeal to readers if you are not \_\_\_\_\_ **(8)** about travelling in your blog.

Nancy says that travel writers need to be \_\_\_\_\_ **(9)** in order to deal with the different tasks they have to do.

According to Nancy, you have to spend at least \_\_\_\_\_ **(10)** a day updating your blog.

## 1.2 Listening

You will hear five people talking about outdoor activities. For each question **11-15**, choose from the list **(A-H)** what made each speaker take up their outdoor activity. Use the letters only once. There are three extra letters which you do not need to use. You will hear the recording twice. **(10 marks)**

<b>A</b>	a desire to prove someone wrong
<b>B</b>	not having anything else to do
<b>C</b>	an offer from a family member
<b>D</b>	being persuaded by a friend
<b>E</b>	a desire to spend time alone
<b>F</b>	not wanting to tell the truth
<b>G</b>	wanting to build up strength
<b>H</b>	needing to try something out

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Speaker 3		<b>13</b>
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Speaker 4		<b>14</b>
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Speaker 5		<b>15</b>
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## 2.1 Grammar and Vocabulary

For questions **16-22**, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each space. Use only **ONE** word in each space. Write your answers in the answer boxes provided. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**.  
**(7 marks)**

### THE NEW MONTE ROSA HUT

The Monte Rosa Hut is a mountain hut, located near Zermatt on the Monte Rosa massif up to 4,634 metres, and above the Border Glacier, sitting on a glacier-free rocky part at an altitude **(0)**... 2,883 metres. A new hi-tech environmentally-friendly mountain hut was designed by architect Andrea Deplazes and opened in September 2009. The project of the Swiss Alpine Club was launched in 2003. The construction materials were transported by train to Zermatt and 3,000 helicopter trips **(16)**... needed to take 35 workers and materials up **(17)**... the glacier. The five-story polygonal building was built on stainless steel foundations with a spiral interior made **(18)**... of wood, the exterior being covered with an aluminum shell. The building is designed to obtain 90 percent of its power needs **(19)**... the sun. Excess energy was originally stored in valve-regulated lead-acid battery cells. These batteries were replaced **(20)**... lithium-phosphate batteries in 2020. Water is collected from melting glaciers and stored in **(21)**... large reservoir 40 metres above the hut. Windows allow the sun to heat air inside the spiral building. Over the next few years, the hut **(22)**... become a research station for the students from Zurich. They will use it to investigate how to use energy and resources efficiently.

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## 2.2 Grammar and Vocabulary

For questions 23-29, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space. Write your answers in the answer boxes provided. There is an example at the beginning (0). (7 marks)

### AEROBATICS

One of the most (0)... extreme sports, both for those participating and for (23)..., has to be aerobatics. This aviation sport owes much of its popularity to the Red Arrows, a team of nine highly (24)... pilots who have been putting on daring air displays since 1964.

To the amazement of the crowds below, the pilots fly in fantastically shaped formations such as the Corkscrew or the Heart, leaving a trail of brightly coloured smoke behind them.

This can be a (25)... business, especially when the pilots have to fly very close to each other. They have to stay precisely within 50 centimeters of the formation (26)..., or the lack of coordination will be (27)... to the people on the ground.

Fortunately, the Red Arrows' (28)... training and experience make the possibility of an accident unlikely.

All pilots have 1,500 hours of flying behind them, (29)... at least one flight in a commercial jet and spend six months every year training for their aerobatics shows.

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| 0  | A exciting<br>C embarrassed | B enthusiastic<br>D empowering | 0  | A |
| 23 | A onlookers<br>C sightseers | B spectators<br>D witnesses    | 23 |   |
| 24 | A skilled<br>C delighted    | B notorious<br>D contagious    | 24 |   |
| 25 | A relative<br>C revolving   | B rotating<br>D risky          | 25 |   |
| 26 | A condition<br>C pattern    | B agreement<br>D place         | 26 |   |
| 27 | A notifying<br>C numerous   | B noticeable<br>D notorious    | 27 |   |
| 28 | A ruthless<br>C random      | B restless<br>D rigorous       | 28 |   |
| 29 | A involved<br>C including   | B incorporated<br>D inserted   | 29 |   |

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### 2.3 Grammar and Vocabulary

For questions **30-35**, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence using the word given. **Do not change the word given.** You must use between **two and five words**, including the word given. Write **only** the missing words in the answer boxes provided. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**. **(6 marks)**

**0** A friendly taxi driver drove us into town.

**driven**

We ..... a friendly taxi driver.

*were driven into town by*

**30** They didn't let me go to the meeting.

**was**

I ..... go to the meeting.

**31** He said: 'I'll definitely pay for the meal'.

**insisted**

He ..... for the meal.

**32** The police are currently questioning her in relation to the incident.

**is**

She ..... the police in relation to the incident.

**33** It wasn't a good idea to ask for the extension for my work.

**should**

I ..... for the extension for my work.

**34** I learnt to ski when I was a kid.

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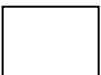
I ..... ski since I was a kid.

**35** Did you go swimming a lot when you lived at the coast?

**use**

..... swimming a lot when you lived at the coast?

Kod sprawdzającego: \_\_\_\_\_



### 3.1 Reading

You are going to read an article about a food production facility. Five sentences have been **removed** from the article. Choose from the sentences (A-F) the one which fits each gap (36-40). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use. Write your answers in the boxes provided under the text. **(10 marks)**

- A. One of the benefits of producing food in this way is that it helps in the battle against food poverty and starvation around the world.
- B. At first glance, it was very difficult to tell.
- C. This, as it turned out, had been the intention all along.
- D. Months and months of research, not to mention hard work, had all been leading up to what was about to come out of a small, needle-like component known as the 'hot end'.
- E. It was an intriguing concept and one that was clearly appealing to many consumers.
- F. In fact, it is a phenomenon that's driving one of the biggest revolutions in food production today.



## WHAT ARE YOU PRINTING FOR DINNER?

As a journalist and food critic, I was given a tour of Nutrition X, a cutting-edge food manufacturing plant, to see how advances in technology would affect food production.

Approaching the building, I'd say it wasn't exactly what I'd expected it to be. The building's facade, with its old-fashioned brickwork and endless streams of smoke pouring out of the industrial pipes was like something out of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. **(36)**\_\_\_\_\_ 'We wanted to pay tribute to the iconic manufacturing plants of the past,' explained Vanessa Stephenson, head of communications and my tour guide for the day.

Our first stop was the laboratory. Inside, a team of scientists and software developers were gathered around a device so ordinary-looking it could have been mistaken for an old television. Apparently, I had arrived at just the right time. **(37)**\_\_\_\_\_ The result would hopefully be a small cake, complete with icing and decorations. Within minutes, sounds of applause filled the room – mission accomplished, I thought. Now all that was left was to bake it.

You'd be forgiven for thinking that 3D-printed food was pure fantasy, dreamt up by science fiction writers. **(38)**\_\_\_\_\_ However, much of the technology was originally developed for space travel, helping astronauts to prepare meals quickly at the touch of a button, so it's perhaps no surprise that people have such vivid images of it.

Nowadays, private companies, like Nutrition X, are taking advantage of open-source technology and finding new ways to appeal to the mass market. 'Imagine coming home after a long day in the office,' Vanessa explained, 'and with the simple touch of a button, a gourmet meal appearing in front of your eyes'. **(39)**\_\_\_\_\_ The question that remained, however, was just how ready people were for this kind of technology. Would this outweigh the satisfaction of preparing a meal yourself, and would the food have the same taste?

To answer the latter, I was invited into what Vanessa called the sampling room to find out how 3D-printed food compared to 'normal' food. In front of me were two versions of the same dish, pumpkin gnocchi. I was asked to note down which was which. **(40)**\_\_\_\_\_ Both were very colourful and even had the same fork markings on them. I then tasted both and wrote down my answer on the card provided and handed it to Vanessa. She simply smiled and said, 'Just make sure you inform your readers that you couldn't tell the difference'.

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### 3.2 Reading

You are going to read four extracts from reports by young businesspeople. For questions 41-50, choose from the people (A-D). Each person may be chosen more than once. Write your answers in the boxes provided. There is an example at the beginning (0). **(10 marks)**

**Which person:**

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| 0  | used to work in retail?   | 0  | <input type="text" value="A"/> |
| 41 | made a decision about how to run their business while at college?   | 41 | <input type="text"/>           |
| 42 | mentions an initial difficulty with funding?                        | 42 | <input type="text"/>           |
| 43 | experienced a health benefit from setting up a business?            | 43 | <input type="text"/>           |
| 44 | was surprised at the speed of their success?                        | 44 | <input type="text"/>           |
| 45 | mentions experience with a similar business in the past?            | 45 | <input type="text"/>           |
| 46 | feels grateful for help from a family member?                       | 46 | <input type="text"/>           |
| 47 | was concerned about a loss of financial security?                   | 47 | <input type="text"/>           |
| 48 | felt angry about a rule?  | 48 | <input type="text"/>           |
| 49 | warns about the amount of work involved in starting a new business? | 49 | <input type="text"/>           |
| 50 | runs a business which helps with people's education?                | 50 | <input type="text"/>           |

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## SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

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*Are businesses just about making money? It seems not, as more and more people are choosing to set up businesses that also bring social benefits. Four young businesspeople tell us about their work.*

**A** Melissa Evans

I worked in a supermarket and I was really horrified at the amount of food that was thrown away every day - literally dumped into rubbish bins! Then, one day, a guy asked if he could have some of the food. He was obviously poor. My colleague refused, saying we weren't allowed to sell or give the food away. That really annoyed me - it was such a waste! I had some money saved up, so I set up the Social Food Store. I persuaded local supermarkets to give us food they were throwing away. This food goes into our store and then customers can come and shop for free. I couldn't believe how quickly we built up our customer numbers. People like it because it feels like a normal shop, not a charity. All the staff are volunteers, and we get funding from the local government. It's great to feel I'm actually helping people.

**B** Dan Rudolfsky

I'd always wanted to set up my own company, but when I went to business school, I was alarmed that what we learnt was all about profit. It was as if nothing else mattered. That was when I made up my mind that I would do things differently. I did some research and came up with the idea of Light Up. It's an online lighting store, selling lights and lamps. For every item we sell, we donate a solar-powered lamp to a charity, for children in developing countries with no electricity at home. Light is incredibly important because it allows kids to study and improve their lives. The business is doing well. I've worked incredibly hard, but I know it wouldn't have been possible without the support and generous start-up loan my dad gave me. Hopefully, I'll earn enough to pay him back one day!

**C** Helen Sousa

Homelessness is a huge problem in my city, and when I lost my job two years ago, I decided to do something about it. I had managed restaurants before, so I wasn't very afraid to set up the Street Cafe. We're a normal cafe during the day, and we use the profits from this to offer free meals to homeless people in the evenings. All our staff have been homeless themselves. They often have mental health problems or quite a low level of education, which make it difficult for them to find other work, but I think everyone deserves a chance. We struggled to get people to invest in the business at first, but it soon became clear that it was a sound business idea. I would encourage more people to set up companies like this, although they should be aware of the long hours they'll need to put in at first!

**D** James Walker

I definitely believe in breaking the rules and doing something different. Three years ago, I had a high-paid job in banking. But I started suffering from anxiety because of the stress, so I gave up my job and went back to college for a year. I then set up my own business, Planet Beauty, an online store selling cosmetics and beauty products. I must admit I was nervous about giving up a regular salary, especially that my experience wasn't particularly relevant to the cosmetics industry, but I was determined to make a success of it and help the planet, too. Everything we sell is plastic-free and safe for the environment, and we donate forty percent of our profits to environmental charities. I enjoy much more job satisfaction now than I ever did in my old job, and I feel much better in myself, too!

## 4 Writing

Choose **one** of the tasks and write between **150-200** words.

**(20 marks)**

1. You have received an email from an English friend James. Read this part of the email.

*I'm writing to ask you for advice. I'm having problems getting along with my roommate. I've known Tom for years and the idea of sharing a flat with him seemed to be great. But now I can't stand him. He is messy, rarely does any shopping (but uses my stuff) and often forgets about paying his share of the rent on time. You know that the flat is really close to the university and the park so I wouldn't like to move out. And Tom's actually found it. What would you do if you were me?*

*Thanks, James*

Reply to James's email. Ask two questions to clarify the situation and suggest two methods of solving the problem.

Write your **email**.

2. CCTV cameras are a common sight in town centres, on public transport and outside many businesses. They not only help identify criminals but also make inhabitants feel safer. However, some people believe that they are intrusive and deprive us of our privacy. What are, in your opinion, the positive and negative aspects of using them?

Write your **essay**.

3. *Be an Early Bird on [yachting.com](http://yachting.com) and you can get free deposit insurance for more than 10,000 sailboats and catamarans! Discover the beauty of blue sky and turquoise sea.*

You have visited a website of a yacht and motor boat rental agency in Croatia.

Write an email to the agency asking about:

- the size of the boats available
- the necessary requirements the group must meet
- the price per day
- a deposit / insurance policy

Write your **email**.



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