

Final mark:

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## English final test

### Semester 2

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#### READING

#### OBESITY

Being obese and being overweight are not exactly the same thing. An obese person has a large amount of extra body fat, not just a few extra pounds. People who are obese are very overweight and at risk for serious health problems. To determine if someone is obese, doctors and other health care professionals often use a measurement called body mass index (BMI). First, a doctor measures a person's height and weight. Then the doctor uses these numbers to calculate another number, the BMI. Once the doctor has calculated a child's or teen's BMI, he or she will plot this number on a specific chart to see how it compares to other people of the same age and gender.

A person with a BMI above the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile (meaning the BMI is greater than that of 95° of people of the same age and gender) is generally considered overweight. A person with a BMI between the 85<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentiles typically is considered at risk for overweight. Obesity is the term used for extreme overweight. There are some exceptions to this formula, though. For instance, someone who is very muscular (like a bodybuilder) may have a high BMI without being obese because the excess weight is from extra muscle, not fat.

People gain weight when the body takes in more calories than it burns off. Those extra calories are stored as fat. The amount of weight gain that leads to obesity doesn't happen in a few weeks or months. Because being obese is more than just being a few pounds overweight, people who are obese have usually been getting more calories than they need for years.

Genes – small parts of the DNA that people inherit from their parents and that determine traits like hair or eye color- can play an important role in this weight gain. Some of your genes tell your body how to metabolize food and how to use extra calories or store fat. Some people burn calories faster or slower than others do because of their genes.

Before you start trying to lose weight, talk to a doctor, a parent, or a registered dietitian. With their help, you can come up with a safe plan, based on eating well and exercising. Remember that teenagers need to keep eating regularly. Don't starve yourself because you won't get the nutrients you need to grow and develop normally.

#### COMPREHENSION: (14 POINTS)

##### **A. Are these statements true or false? Justify (4 POINTS)**

1. Obesity is another term for overweight.  
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2. Sportive people with high BMI are considered obese.  
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3. A person may get obese in a very short time.  
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4. To prevent obesity, one has to follow a good diet and practise sport.  
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**B. Match the following ideas with the corresponding paragraphs: (4points)**

1. Causes of obesity: paragraph.....
2. Definition of obesity: .....
3. How to prevent obesity: .....
4. The time lag of obesity: .....

**C. Find words or expressions meaning the same as: (4points)**

1. sex (paragraph1): .....
2. accumulated (paragraph3): .....
3. genetic parts (paragraph4): .....
4. secure (paragraph 5): .....

**D. What do the underlined words in the text refer to? (2points)**

1. he (parag 1): .....
2. it (parag 3): .....
3. their (parag 4): .....
4. their (parag 5): .....

**LANGUAGE: (16 POINTS)**

**A. Put the verbs between brackets in the correct form: (4points)**

While I (*talk*).....to my friends at the club entrance last Saturday, a teenager I (*play*).....with when we were kids (*come*).....up to me and asked me to go with him for a walk. While we (*walk*)....., he told me: "We (*not/see*).....each other for many years." "What (*you/do*).....now" He asked. "I (*be*).....in my first year in high school". I replied. He continued to remind me of the games and sports events we (*enjoy*).....when we were neighbours. We spent a nice day together and we decided to meet again.

**B. Rewrite the following sentences as suggested using too or enough: (1points)**

1. It's very difficult to master English pronunciation in a short time.  
English pronunciation is.....
2. I can't drive a car because I am very young.  
I am.....

**C. Use the words in capitals at the end of each sentence to make words which fit in the spaces: ( 2,5points)**

1. This restaurant charges very.....prices. ( REASON)
2. We could catch a bus or,.....we could take a train. (ALTERNATIVE)
3. How much money did they.....to the new Children's Centre?  
(DONATION)
4. You usually need to read the.....of a film very quickly. (TITLE)
5. If you are a teacher of young children, it's useful to have a lot of .....  
(IMAGINE)

**D. Complete the sentences with these phrasal verbs: ( 2,5points)**

Calm down- get away- make for- pick up- run out- set off- take off- try out

1. Is Mum going to ..... the children from school?
2. Would you like to ..... my new motor bike?
3. For the next part of our trip we're going to ..... Los Angeles.
4. Sometimes I just want to ..... from the city and move to the country.
5. You don't want to ..... of money when you are in a foreign country.

**E. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets:**  
**(2 points)**

1. I didn't use to ..... (like) travelling by air, but now I do.
2. Peter apologized to his teacher for..... (be) late.
3. Because I live in the centre of the town, I have got used to..... (not use) my car.
4. We are used to..... (travel) long distances.

**F. Rewrite these sentences as suggested: (4points)**

1. They hold the prizegiving in the hall every year.  
The prizegiving.....
2. They were milking the cows when I arrived at the farm.  
The cows.....
3. "No, I didn't take your iPod".  
My brother denied.....
4. "Please, please, teacher don't let me out".  
The student begged.....

# **WRITING: (10 POINTS)**

**Write a reply to the following email that you've received from your English friend.**

*Dear friend,  
How are you doing? I hope you are fine. I just want to tell you that I'm having some problems with my parents; they don't let me go out at night, or invite my friends. They're always complaining about my hairstyle, the way I dress or the kind of music I listen to. They're making my life terrible! What about you? Do you have any problems with your parents? How do they treat you? Tell me about your relationship with them.*

