



Elementary English A2.2

Reading

QUESTION 1

Read the phrases below then insert them into the conversation correctly. Write the letter of each phrase in the correct space. One phrase is not needed.

A Yes, that works for me!

B Yes, it's Brown

C Hello, I'd like to arrange an appointment, please

D Could you confirm your address?

E I can't do 4pm, do you have anything slightly later?

Customer: _____

Receptionist: Of course, please can you confirm your surname?

Customer: _____

Receptionist: We could do next Tuesday at 4pm?

Customer: _____

Receptionist: How's about 5pm instead?

Customer: _____

Receptionist: Great! We'll see you then!

QUESTION 2

Read the texts below. Write the means of technology that is being discussed in the correct space.

- A MP3 Player
- B Memory card
- C USB stick
- D GPS

It's so easy to travel now because of this technology. You can easily type in the postcode and you'll be shown the correct directions. It's much easier to use this than an old-fashioned paper map.

I didn't use to have one of these to listen to music because I used a CD player instead and then I moved straight to the iPod generation. They are really great, cheap and a small means of technology and you can choose the tunes and playlists that you want to upload.

This is a really reliable means of technology for storing data and documents. The only problem is that if you lose this then you lose all the data too. Nowadays, most things are on the cloud so it's a little easier to access.

When I was younger I had a digital camera to take photos of my children growing up. I used to save them on this technology and then upload them to my computer. I printed some out to put up on the walls and I also have a collage screensaver.

QUESTION 3

Read this paragraph. Choose option A, B or C to fill each gap.

Five new sports have been added to the list for the Tokyo Olympic (1)_____ of 2021. These are surfing, sport climbing, skateboarding, baseball and karate. The (2)_____ country, Japan, had to postpone the games due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This has caused lots of issues for the (3)_____ because they've had so much inconsistency in their training. They've had to stay socially-distanced from their (4)_____ and they are not mentally prepared, given the chopping and changing dates of the (5)_____. The 2021 Olympic Games will finally get underway but without an (6)_____. This is the safest way for the Games to continue.

1

a) Game

b) Games

c) competition

2

a) host

b) torch

c) kit

3

a) winners

b) athletics

c) athletes

4

a) flags

b) coaches

c) kits

5

a) event

b) host city

c) boycott

6

b) event

b) audience

c) athlete

QUESTION 4

Read the schedules of Sam, Irene and Paul below then decide which sentence belongs to each person. Write the name in the space provided.

Sam

I'm an engineer and I work at *Lexicom*, an MNC. I only just started working here but I absolutely love it. I work at our headquarters, which are based in London and the top floor of the building has an incredible view of London's skyline. It's a British company but it's very international and you can hear many different languages being heard on a daily basis. As a construction engineer, I'm responsible for designing bridges and other suspension structures. I must calculate the right weight, angles and then discuss the materials and building with the architects.

Irene

I have been self-employed for a while now and work as a language teacher in my own company but I only teach French, German, English and Spanish so I'm surrounded by these languages every day! My customers are international and want to learn how to communicate effectively in these languages. I plan the lessons, create the course content, design the materials and then teach my classes. I also need to review my students' levels to ensure they are progressing.

Paul

I'm a production manager in a start-up so I haven't been working here for too long, just a few months. We do business in the beverages industry, we resell alcoholic and soft beverages to pubs, restaurants and other public service places. As a production manager I need to communicate effectively with our sellers and buyers to ensure we have enough materials and I have to report a lot of data on a daily basis in order to schedule deliveries and distribute the beverages correctly. I mostly work in English but we do have a few French suppliers so I get to practise some of my French too.

- a) Who is a business owner? _____
- b) Who works in a multinational company? _____
- c) Who has international clients? _____
- d) Who speaks different languages daily? _____
- e) Who uses maths in their job? _____
- f) Who works with builders and architects? _____
- g) Who works with data? _____
- h) Who works in the HQ? _____
- i) Who has “reviewing” as part of their job? _____
- j) Who isn't new at their company? _____

QUESTION 5

Read the following article then answer the multiple choice questions.

According to a study carried out by Deezer in May 2018, the most popular genre among Americans was rock music, with 56.8 percent of respondents stating that they were currently listening to music within this genre as of the date of survey. Pop and country music were the second and third most popular genres respectively, and 20.2 percent of respondents said they preferred jazz.

The broad appeal of rock and pop music can in part be attributed to how both genres often blend seamlessly into one another and influence other music styles. Heavy rock bands like Led Zeppelin and AC/DC are often more divisive than melodic rock groups like Bon Jovi or Genesis, just like pop music which strays into R&B territory or is better associated with hip hop or EDM. Each have their appeal to fans with different tastes, and the versatility of rock and pop (and music which combines the two) allows such music to reach adults of all ages and backgrounds.

Rock albums also account for the majority of vinyl album sales in the United States, with pop albums ranking second. However, although the resurgence of vinyl has to a certain extent been reliant on the rock genre, this is not the case when it comes to digital music consumption. Rap and hip hop accounted for 22.8 percent of music video streams in the U.S. in 2018, whereas for rock music videos the share was just 7.1 percent. Rock fared similarly when it came to audio streams, once again losing out to rap and hip hop. Taking such data into consideration, it would seem that rock music fans are generally more drawn to traditional formats and are less inclined to enjoy their music via streaming platforms.

Resource: <https://www.statista.com/statistics/442354/music-genres-preferred-consumers-usa/>

- 1) Which style of music was the most popular according to this survey?
 - a) Rock music
 - b) Pop music
 - c) Country music

- 2) Which style of music was most popular for around one fifth of the respondents in this survey?
 - a) Pop music
 - b) Country music
 - c) Jazz music

- 3) Which of the following is not an example of heavy metal music?
 - a) Led Zeppelin
 - b) AC/DC
 - c) Genesis

- 4) Which style of music involves hiphop and R&B?
 - a) Rock music
 - b) Pop music
 - c) Country music

- 5) Which means of listening is most popular for rock music?
 - a) Vinyl
 - b) Digital video streams
 - c) Audio streams