



MOCK EXAMINATION 2

ENGLISH

Examination Preparation

B1



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The Structure of the Examination

| | Subtest | Aim | Task Type | Time |
|---------------------|---|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Written Examination | 1 Reading Comprehension | | | 90 minutes |
| | Part 1 | Reading for gist | 5 matching items | |
| | Part 2 | Reading for detail | 5 multiple-choice items | |
| | Part 3 | Selective reading | 10 matching items | |
| | 2 Language Elements | | | |
| | Part 1 | | 10 multiple-choice items | |
| | Part 2 | | 10 matching items | |
| | 3 Listening Comprehension | | | approx. 30 minutes |
| | Part 1 | Listening for gist | 5 true/false items | |
| | Part 2 | Listening for detail | 10 true/false items | |
| Part 3 | Selective listening | 5 true/false items | | |
| 4 Writing | | | 30 minutes | |
| | Writing a personal or semi-formal letter or email | Task with four guiding points | | |

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|------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Oral Examination | Preparation Time | | | 20 minutes |
| | 5 Oral Examination | | | approx. 15 minutes |
| | Part 1 | Social contacts | Examination with two candidates, in exceptional cases with one candidate | |
| | Part 2 | Topic-based conversation | | |
| | Part 3 | Task | | |

Reading Comprehension, Part 1

Read the headlines a–j and the texts 1–5. Find the best headline for each text. You can use each headline only once.

Mark your answers for items 1–5 on the answer sheet.

a **Fire Nearly Kills Mother and Children**

b *New Prison too Close to School*

c **No Money for Teachers**

d **Old School Made into Prison**

e **Police Believe Fire Was Planned**

f **Policeman Hurt in Fire**

g *Teachers Drunk at Work*

h **Teachers' Pay Falls**

i **Teachers to Get More Money**

j **Woman Starts Fire**

Marking Criteria “Writing”

The Writing subtest is assessed according to the following three criteria:

- I Content (Guiding Points)
- II Communicative Design
- III Language

I Content (Guiding Points)

Assessment is based on the number of guiding points that have been processed.

| | | Points |
|----------|--|--------|
| A | All four guiding points have been processed in an appropriate way. | 5 |
| B | Three of the guiding points have been processed in an appropriate way. | 3 |
| C | Two of the guiding points have been processed in an appropriate way. | 1 |
| D | No more than one guiding point has been processed in an appropriate way. | 0 |

II Communicative Design

Assessment is based on

- whether the guiding points have been processed in a logical sequence;
- the links between the sentences and between the guiding points;
- whether the language used is appropriate to the type of letter and to the person the letter is being sent to;
- the formal characteristics of the letter (date, salutation, closing formula).

The communicative design of the letter is

| | | Points |
|----------|-------------------------------|--------|
| A | appropriate in all respects. | 5 |
| B | appropriate in most respects. | 3 |
| C | mostly inappropriate. | 1 |
| D | completely inappropriate. | 0 |

III Language

Assessment is based on syntax, morphology and spelling.

The letter contains

| | | Points |
|----------|--|--------|
| A | no or only occasional errors. | 5 |
| B | a number of errors without impairing the reader's understanding of the letter. | 3 |
| C | errors that considerably impair the reader's understanding of the important parts of the letter. | 1 |
| D | so many errors that the text is (almost) impossible to understand. | 0 |

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The two main features of telc examinations are test papers based on clearly formulated language tasks and standardised marking criteria applied in an objective way. The comprehensively defined test specifications and uniform marking criteria ensure that these features apply to all telc examinations.

An essential characteristic of standardised language examinations is that the participants know what is expected of them during the test.

The telc English B1 Mock Examination includes general information about the examination procedures and test format. Additionally, it can be used for practice purposes in preparation for the telc English B1 Examination.