

BMS 2 - Aufnahmeprüfung 2010

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Englisch

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Hilfsmittel Wörterbuch
Prüfungszeit 60 Minuten

Zeitempfehlungen / Punkte:

Leseverständnis (1 und 2) 20 Min./ 33 Punkte
Grammatik 10 Min./ 17 Punkte
Wortschatz 10 Min./ 20 Punkte
Textproduktion 20 Min./ 30 Punkte
Total 60 Min. / 100 Punkte

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| Punkte | 92-100 | 83-91 | 74-82 | 65-73 | 55-64 | 45-54 | 36-44 | 27-35 | 18-26 | 9-17 | 0-8 |
| Note | 6 | 5.5 | 5 | 4.5 | 4 | 3.5 | 3 | 2.5 | 2 | 1.5 | 1 |

Part One: Reading Comprehension 1:

18 points

You are going to read a newspaper article about jeans. Choose from the list (A-H) the heading which best summarises each part (1-6) of the article. There is one extra heading which you do not need to use. The first answer has been given as an example. (0)

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| A | The changes are many |
| B | Jeans make money |
| C | A film star start |
| D | A reflection of character |
| E | Teenagers love them |
| F | Three brands lead |
| G | Two things required |
| H | Styles come and go |

HOW THE WEST HAS WON

They are owned by many. – One in two men and four in 10 women under 45 buy at least one pair of jeans each year.

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That's a whole lot of denim, with Levi's flattening all in its wake with 22 per cent of the entire market, followed by Pepe and Wrangler with an annual battle for second place and the serried ranks of countless lesser-known brands bringing up the rear. We have become so used to the presence of this western uniform that we have forgotten what an amazing achievement it is for any single piece of clothing to be so popular for so many years.

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Few people know or care about the social origins of neck-ties or short skirts, but the purely functional roots of jeans as good old boy American workwear remain vital to their popularity over a century later. Ever since Brando and Dean wore jeans (Levi's and Lee) in their cinematic refusal to accept society's rules of behaviour, they have been the most popular informal dress ever.

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Designer jeans greatly increased in popularity after they were first introduced by Gloria Vanderbilt, and it has developed into an important branch of designer fashion. Paul Smith, whose own jeans check out at nearly 60 pounds, explains, 'Jeans have never really been out. They have more important periods than others but they are always around. Designers do their own because it's a good way of profiting from their brand name.' In other words, there's money in it and though it would take a colossal amount of the stuff to get rid of Levi's, the public is always ready to buy up new styles or change a particular brand's cool rating.

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So effectively do jeans satisfy those two great and differing human needs, to be like everybody else and to be different from anybody else, that they will always find a way of reinventing themselves to fit every social and economic group.

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I remember going to the first showing of black Levi's in the early eighties, before black had established itself as the colour of the '80s. They actually seemed far too strange at the time. Since then, jean styling has gone through several changes, from snow-washed through marbled, stretch, striped, torn, ankle-zipped, baggy and back to flared out at the ankle.

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As Ashley Heath, associate editor of *The Face*, says, 'If anything is going to make masses of people look really stupid, it's jeans.' He calculates that it takes two months for these different designs to go from an idea in the designer's head to the shops; then they slowly fade out of the shops.

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The single most important item of clothing to emerge in the last 50 years, the most widely-worn uniform ever to be adopted by successive generations, jeans still appear to say less about fashion than they do about you. No one wants to wear their heart on their sleeve but few people can resist wearing a little piece of their soul on their rear end.

Reading Comprehension 2:**15 points**

Read these four short extracts and answer the following questions.

| A | B | C | D |
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| <p>Lesley, 22 Apartments are really expensive here. I'm paying £90 a week, which is a lot in relation to my salary. Before this I was living more centrally and paying £100 a week, which wasn't worth it at all. The more central you live, the more you have to pay. Around here you get practically half the salary you would get in Canada, where I'm from, while still paying the same rent. It's a great city with lots of galleries and shops. But the standard of living is much higher in Canada.</p> | <p>Mary, 29 There's too much dirt on the streets. It's like the whole city needs to be cleaned from top to bottom. The city's got a lot of life, but to tell you the truth, if I never came here again it wouldn't bother me. When I was younger, I thought it was great. I went to clubs every weekend, but now I'm nearly 40, that's all over. When I come up by car for an evening out, I spend the whole time worrying about whether I've parked where it's not allowed.</p> | <p>Julie, 34 The education system is excellent. You can study anything you are interested in and there are so many facilities like clubs, museums, and exhibitions. In the city where I used to live, there was a total lack of things like that. The transport system is pretty bad, though. It means, if I go out late, I have to go somewhere where it won't be too expensive in a taxi. I think a four-day working week would do a lot to improve life in the city for everyone.</p> | <p>Natalie, 25 It's nice to be in the park in the middle of all the chaos and just spend lunchtime sitting and taking it easy. Or at an open-air swimming pool – anything to get away from the rush. At my previous job in another town, there was nowhere you could go to get away from it all. I only travel to the city for the money and my career. When I'm commuting, my brain just switches off until I get into town and into work.</p> |

7. The four extracts all

- A** explain why people have moved to this city
- B** give advice about choosing a place to live
- C** talk about what people like and dislike about their city
- D** recommend this city

8. Extract A suggests that

- A** she doesn't enjoy the city as much as she used to
- B** it's better to live near the centre
- C** it's better to live in another city
- D** she would like to move as soon as possible

9. Extract B states that

- A** the city offers more for young people
- B** people always need to worry about parking
- C** she would like to move away as soon as possible
- D** she feels old

10. Extract C recommends

- A** a change
- B** a longer working week
- C** public transportation
- D** taking a taxi

11. Extract D talks about

- A** the problems of commuting
- B** why she likes this city better than another place
- C** her present job
- D** her reasons for living in the country-side

Part Two: Grammar

17 points

Write the correct letter (a, b, c, d) in the box on the right side of each question.

Example: The weatherfine tomorrow, I think.

- a) is going b) is c) will be d) might**

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1. Pamela in the Accounts Department.

- a) to work b) working c) works d) been working**

2. 'Oh no! I forgot my keys!' – 'You're always your keys!'

- a) forget b) forgot c) forgetting d) leaving**

3. 'I my leg. Can you help me?'

- a) hurt b) 've hurt c) 'd hurt d) 'm hurting**

4. I visited Alaska and I thought it was beautiful.

- a) recently b) currently c) just d) eventually**

5. 'It's hot in here.' – '..... I open the window?'

- a) Do b) Shall c) Will d) Would**

6. The crowd are getting very excited. The race start.

- a) is due b) is to c) is just d) is about to**

7. I asked him he wanted a lift home.

- a) what b) whether c) where d) which**

8. 'Don't you like this place?' – 'I'd rather we somewhere romantic.'

- a) have gone b) will go c) had gone d) did go**

9. Somebody left a coat in the classroom. Is it?

- a) yours b) yourself c) you d) your**

10. She says she has her pocket money left.

- a) none b) none of c) not any d) few**

11. I rang the door twice. Dan wasn't at home. He left already.

- a) must have b) can't have c) needn't have d) should have**

12. Ron get into his house because he'd forgotten his keys.

- a) can't b) wouldn't c) mustn't d) couldn't**

13. Will you be home to let them in, just in case I late?
 a) was b) were c) must be d) am
14. Rita getting up early every evening. She finds it difficult.
 a) is used to b) has a habit of c) isn't used to d) is always
15. 'Where's your car?' – 'It repaired at the moment.'
 a) is being b) is to be c) has been d) was being
16. The book, I only bought last week, is falling apart already.
 a) what b) that c) who d) which
17. Since we moved house, I have to get up for school than before.
 a) early b) earliest c) earlier d) more early

Part Three: Vocabulary

20 points

1. In , life is not as exciting as films suggest.
 a) real b) realism c) reality d) realistic
2. Margaret Thatcher ist today for being the first woman prime minister of England.
 a) reminded b) remembered c) recognised d) recommended
3. Only the oldest cars are allowed to in the race.
 a) involve b) take part c) ran d) include
4. If you drive from Brighton to London, there is an official coffee shop on the
 a) way b) path c) direction d) process
5. The for winning is a gold medal.
 a) earning b) profit c) reward d) credit
6. The museum usually visitors from all over the country.
 a) engages b) attracts c) catches d) offers
7. For most participants, it's not winning but simply being there that the greatest pleasure.
 a) lets b) fetches c) results d) brings

8. Riding a bicycle in Paris can be pretty
a) risky b) riskful c) risk d) dangerously
9. They did not have many friends and never anyone into the house.
a) greeted b) offered c) invited d) requested
10. He his job and started his own business.
a) gave up b) got out c) ended with d) deserted
11. They tried to clean up their house but had a hard time things away.
a) removing b) throwing c) doing d) dismissing
12. Visitors quickly that this theatre isn't like all the others.
a) realise b) regard c) distinguish d) appreciate
13. You don't always get a second to pass a test.
a) moment b) occasion c) possibility d) chance
14. If you want to take good photographs, you sometimes need to take a very quickly.
a) image b) shot c) scene d) illustration
15. There is competition in this school to be the best student.
a) firm b) forceful c) strong d) strict
16. If you want to get ahead in your career, you need to responsibility for your actions.
a) take b) support c) perform d) fetch
17. Many children are talented but do not get the necessary support.
a) sharply b) highly c) fully d) largely
18. Make sure you get there - they won't let you in if you're late.
a) on time b) by the time c) for a time d) with time
19. By the late 1800s, the local industry had enormously.
a) developed b) created c) introduced d) installed
20. I opened the door just a little bit and tried to catch a of what was inside.
a) look b) glimpse c) glance d) notice

Part Four: Text Production

30 points

Read this advertisement placed by an international magazine.

Have fun even if you don't have much money!

Many people face the same problem - they would like to do something fun but think they lack the necessary funds. We would like to publish an article on this topic and need your ideas! How can you have fun with little money? Please write and tell us about free time activities that don't require a fortune.

You can win a weekend in London!

Write a letter to the magazine and tell them about your ideas and experience. Here are some ideas to help you:

- sports
- libraries
- friends
- ...

Write about 140 words.

Write the date and the complementary close.

Please write your text on the next page.

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| 1 C | 1 C | 1 C | Content _____ / |
| 2 B | 2 C | 2 B | 10 |
| 3 G | 3 B | 3 B | Reg/Voc _____ / |
| 4 A | 4 A | 4 A | 10 |
| 5 H | 5 B | 5 C | Accuracy _____ / |
| 6 D | 6 D | 6 B | 10 |
| | 7 B | 7 D | |
| 7 C | 8 C | 8 A | |
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