



**International GCSE in
English Language
[2031]**

Listening

EXAM PAPER – 02

DURATION:

LISTENING

50 Minutes

CANDIDATE'S INFORMATION

FULL NAME:

CANDIDATE NUMBER:

CENTRE NUMBER:

DATE:

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Do not open this paper until you are told to do so.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- You must ask any questions now as you cannot speak during the Test.
- Answer **ALL** questions.
- The total mark for this paper is **40**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets
- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

Exercise 1

You are going to listen to four short recordings. Answer each question on the line provided. Write no more than **three words and/or a number** for each answer.

Each recording will be played twice.

1. From where at Kings Cross do trains for Newcastle leave?
.....[1]
2. When will passengers be able to get something hot to eat?
.....[1]
3. What must you do to use your phone again after the warning?
.....[1]
4. What other countries are said to use the system?
.....[1]
5. How many tickets is Andy going to get after the conversation?
.....[1]
6. How far is Ashburys from the football ground?
.....[1]
7. The boy wants to make bracelets from what materials?
.....[1]
8. How much does the boy pay for the kit?
.....[1]

[Total: 8 Marks]

Exercise two

Questions 9-16

Listen to a short lecture by a teacher about a famous British poet.

Choose the correct answer, **A**, **B** or **C**. Write **A**, **B** or **C** in the space provided.

9. The poet is Benjamin
A. Zebheniyer.
B. Zephaniah.
C. Zefenaier.
.....[1]

10. The “Jamaican capital of Europe” is in

- A. Lincolnshire.
- B. Birmingham.
- C. London.

.....[1]

11. His first published book was called

- A. *Pen Rhythm*.
- B. *Page One*.
- C. *Community Roots*.

.....[1]

12. Other publishers were especially interested by

- A. work he had sent them a year earlier.
- B. the good sales of his first book.
- C. the popularity of his live readings.

.....[1]

13. The poet

- A. read his poetry inside police stations.
- B. does not make television appearances.
- C. is said to be easily recognised.

.....[1]

14. The book *Talking Turkeys*

- A. was the poet’s first children’s book.
- B. was written in just six weeks.
- C. contains poems for children and adults.

.....[1]

15. The 1999 work *Face*

- A. is a collection of poetry about teenage life.
- B. was followed by three more novels.
- C. is a collection of songs.

.....[1]

16. Which of the following statements about the poet is **TRUE**?

- A. He has a medal for services to the British Empire.
- B. He has been a vegan since he was 11 years old.
- C. He is a senior member of a vegan organisation.

.....[1]

[Total: 8 Marks]

Exercise 3

Questions 17 to 22

You will hear six people, **Speakers 1 - 6**, talking about **streaming movies and TV shows**. For each of Speakers, 1- 6, choose from the list, **A to G**, which opinion each speaker expresses. Write the letter in the space. Use each letter **only once**. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

A	It is nice to be able to watch entertainment from other countries.
B	Some streaming services stop you from watching all the episodes of a show that you like.
C	I worry about the expense of streaming services.
D	Streaming is preventing regular networks from supporting high quality programmes.
E	I enjoy the wide range of documentaries on streaming services.
F	There are shows that would not have been shown or lasted as long without streaming.
G	I've been able to get rid of things that I don't need because of streaming.

17. Speaker 1 [1]

18. Speaker 2 [1]

19. Speaker 3 [1]

20. Speaker 4 [1]

21. Speaker 5 [1]

22. Speaker 6 [1]

[6 marks]

Exercise 4

Questions 23 to 27

You will hear a podcast presenter talking to **Brie Albert, a TV presenter**. Listen to their conversation and answer the questions **23 to 27**.

For each question choose the correct answer, **A, B** or **C**. Write the letter, **A, B** or **C** in the space in your answer sheet.

23. Brie announced her new job

- A. by sending her co-host a cake.
- B. with a video on social media.
- C. on this radio programme.

.....[1]

24. What is true about the model that has been made of her?

- A. It can be eaten.
- B. Brie made it herself.
- C. It is made of resin.

.....[1]

25. Who will be hosting the show with Brie?

- A. Matt Phillips
- B. Paul Pinewood
- C. Howard Fields

.....[1]

26. What did one judge say about Brie's cake?

- A. The decoration was childish.
- B. It tasted of cornflakes.
- C. It was burnt.

.....[1]

27. Brie tells us ...

- A. she started out as a roving reporter.
- B. she enjoyed working with Tom Hibbard.
- C. she will not do any more acting.

.....[1]

[5 marks]

Exercise 5 (Part A)

Questions 28-35

You will hear someone giving a talk about the Youth Olympic Games. Listen to the talk and complete the notes using **words or phrases that you hear**. Write **one or two words and/or a number** only in each gap. **Spelling and grammar matter!** You will hear the talk twice.

The Youth Olympic Games

The Youth Olympic Games is an international multi-sport event for athletes between 15 and 18 years old. The games are planned with the Winter rather than Summer Games held in **(28)**_____.

In the regular Summer Olympics, the minimum age depends on the sport and can be as young as 14. However, the average age of an Olympic athlete is around **(29)**_____.

The idea of the YOG came from **(30)**_____ industrialist Johann Rosenzopf in response to growing worldwide concerns about **(31)**_____ and the falling participation in youth sport, especially in **(32)**_____. The first summer YOG was held in Singapore in August 2010.

Host cities are required to keep all events within the same city. No new sports venues should be constructed except for amphitheatre facilities, and a sports village for coaches and a **(33)**_____. Buses will convey all athletes and coaches. The stadium for the opening and closing ceremonies must seat **(34)**_____ spectators.

In 2026, the YOG will take place in Dakar, Senegal, the first country on the **(35)**_____ to host an Olympic sports event and illustrating the wish to take the Games to all parts of the globe.

[8 marks]

Each correct answer gets 1 mark

Exercise 5 (Part B)

Questions 36 to 40

You will hear a conversation between students Mariama, and her friend, Pamela, about the Youth Olympics. Listen, and complete the gaps **36 to 40** in Pamela's diary with **words or phrases that you hear**. You must write **no more than two words and/or a number**. You will hear the conversation twice. Each correct answer gets 1 mark

Pamela's Diary

Monday

I learned some new stuff about my friend Mariama today. We were in the sports hall doing some (36)_____, and I asked her if she wanted to be chosen for the County Team in that sport. She told me that she wants to go to Dakar and win a gold medal for her work on the (37)_____, just like one of her heroes.

Apparently, it is particularly important for Mariama, because some of her family, especially her (38)_____ come from Senegal (where Dakar is), and she thinks of herself as Senegalese. I didn't know that, although I've found out since that Mariama is a traditional Senegalese name. Mind you, she did say that she wants to be a part of the (39)_____.

I asked her who she supports when our countries play each other at football. Apparently, she has something in each hand, an (40) _____ in her left. I wonder if that is significant?

[5 marks]