



Linguapeace Diagnostic Test in English

Question Paper

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Introduction

The Linguapeace diagnostic test is a part of the English language training materials designed for military and police personnel involved in peacekeeping operations worldwide. The aim of these training materials is to provide peacekeepers with effective training tools to improve their English language skills. All Linguapeace training materials were developed under the Leonardo da Vinci programme and financed by the European Commission.

The diagnostic test helps to assess the level of English language skills. This test is designed for the military and police personnel who reached lower intermediate level of communicative competence in reading, listening, speaking and writing skills. It is based on comprehensive needs analysis, and developed in accordance with the NATO STANAG language levels.

The test consists of 4 papers: reading, listening, speaking and writing. The reading paper takes 20 minutes, the listening paper 25 minutes, the speaking paper takes approximately 15 minutes and the writing paper takes 15 minutes.



Paper 1 Reading

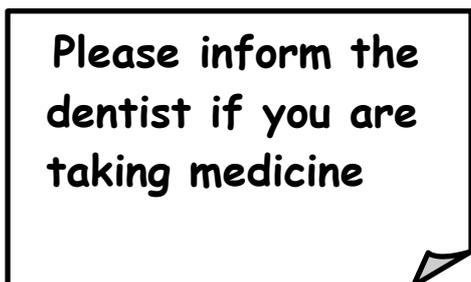
You have 20 minutes to complete this paper. Work through the paper quickly but carefully. Read the text, an example (if it is included) and then look through each question. Try to answer every part of the question and do not leave any blanks. If you cannot give an answer, think carefully about the question and then make a careful guess.

Reading paper consists of 4 parts.

Part 1

Look at the following pictures of signs. For each sign circle the correct statement/description A or B or C or D on the answer paper.

Example:



- A* Your dentist may give you medicine.
- B* You have to bring medicine with you.
- C* Ask your dentist if you need some medicine.
- D* Your dentist needs to know about your medicine.



Question 1

- A Accident patients are not admitted here.
- B The emergency department is closed.
- C This hospital only accepts accident patients.
- D Contact this hospital in an emergency.



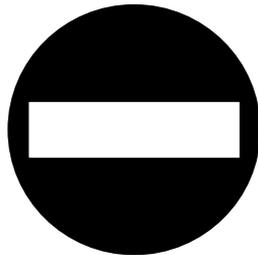
Question 2

- A You can leave your car here.
- B You can't post large things here.
- C We are always open.
- D You must not go in.



Question 3

- A Take six tablets a day.
- B Take two tablets a day.
- C Take three tablets a day.
- D Take five tablets a day.



Question 4

- A No overtaking
- B Crossroads
- C No entry
- D Main road



Question 5

- A No motor vehicles
- B No stopping
- C Parking area
- D No through road

**Part 2**

Read the following text. **Answer each question using full sentence on the answer sheet.**

Dorset is a country in central southern England. The chief industries are agriculture, tourism, fishing and commerce. More than half the population of 609 000 lives in the eastern part of the country around Bournemouth. (Bournemouth – 145 000, Poole – 125 000, Christchurch – 38 000). The next largest centre of population is in the area around Weymouth. (Weymouth – 45 000, Dorchester – 14 000, Portland – 13 000).

There are ferries from the ports of Weymouth and Poole and an airport at Bournemouth. The railway line from London goes through Bournemouth, Poole and Dorchester and finishes at Weymouth. For tourist information, contact the Tourist information Bureaux in Bournemouth, Poole or Weymouth.

Example: *Which town has a population of 14 000?*
 Dorchester has a population of 14 000.

1. To which town can you travel by aeroplane?
2. To which town can you travel by boat?
3. Where is Dorset?
4. 38 000 people live in one of the towns. Which one?
5. If you travel from London by train, in which of the towns do you arrive first?

Part 3

Read the following report about the world's weather on 21st August. **Then complete the table which was in another newspaper on the following day on the answer paper.**

The city with the highest temperature yesterday was Singapore. At noon the temperature there was 33 °C and at midnight it was 25 °C. The temperature in Rome at noon was 30 °C, the same as in New York. However, New York's temperature at midnight was 24 °C. The noon temperature in Cairo was 29 °C, one degree higher than that in Athens and Hong Kong. The temperature at midnight in Paris was only 14 °C. The coolest city was London, with a temperature of only 22 °C at noon and 13 °C at midnight. Although it was cloudy in Athens and Paris, it didn't rain, but it rained heavily in both London and Hong Kong.

Yesterday's weather around the world

	Noon °C	Midnight °C	
	28	26	C
Cairo		26	S
Hong Kong		25	
	22	13	
	30	24	S
Paris	25	14	
Rome		25	S
Singapore	33		S

S = sunny

C = cloudy

R = rain



Part 4

Read the article below. **Answer each question using a full sentence on the answer paper.**

Woman fainted

A sixty years old woman fainted as she was getting off the train in Urosevas railway station yesterday afternoon. As she was slightly injured by the fall, a KFOR medical team provided medical assistance immediately. Her relatives took her to the civilian hospital for further treatment.

Fist fight in Cernice/Cernica

A fist fight between four men occurred in Cernica yesterday evening. A KFOR patrol arrived shortly after the fight began and separated the men. A crowd of approximately 30 – 40 people gathered to observe the fight. The KFOR patrol detained the men. The cause of the fight is under investigation.

Smuggling activities

A KFOR patrol stopped 2 men with several pack animals at a quarry south of Dobruste/Dobrushte yesterday evening. The animals were found to be carrying approximately 150 000 cigarettes. The KFOR patrol detained the 2 men and whilst they carried out a localised search of the area, another man was discovered hiding in some undergrowth. All 3 men were handed over to the UNMIK Police.

Example: *How many men were arrested for smuggling?
Three men were arrested.*

1. How old was the woman who fainted?
2. How many men were in the fight in Cernice/Cernica?
3. What were the men in Dobruste/Dobrushte smuggling?
4. Who took the woman who fainted to hospital?
5. In one town there was a crowd of 30 – 40 people. What were they doing?
6. In which town was there an incident on a train?



Paper 2 Listening

This is the Linguapeace Diagnostic Test in English. Paper 2. Listening. There are three parts to this paper.

Part 1

Look at the instructions for Part One.

You will hear a short monologue.

You will hear it twice.

There are eight questions for the monologue.

Answer each question using a simple sentence.

Write the answer on the answer paper.

Please, ask any questions now, because you must not speak during Part 1.

Now we are ready to start.

Now you will hear an example.

<p><u>Example:</u> <i>What is his name?</i> <i>His name is Stuart Clark.</i></p>

Now read the questions on the question paper. You have one minute for this.

1. Where is he from?
2. Where does he live now?
3. When does he start work?
4. When does he finish work?
5. When is his free day?
6. Where does he often go on his free day?
7. What kind of music does he like?
8. When does he listen to music?

Now listen again to the monologue. While you are listening, write your answers on the answer paper.

You now have six minutes to finish your answers on the answer sheet.

This is the end of Part 1.

Now turn to Part 2.



Part 2

You will hear a short dialogue.

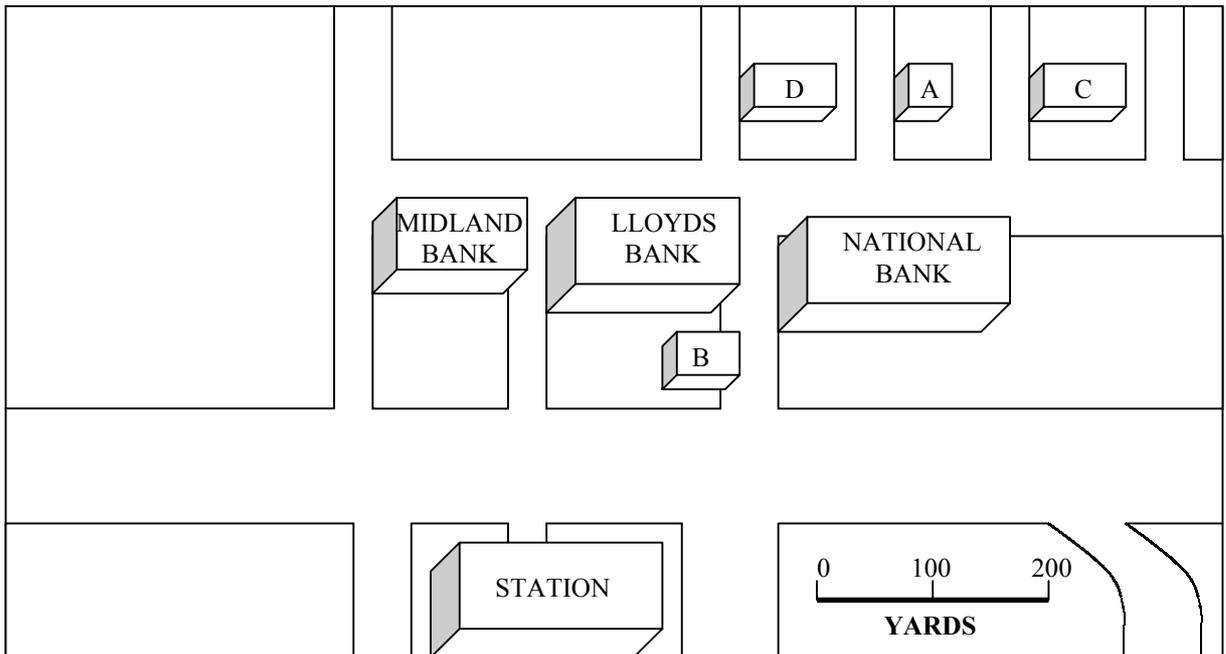
You will hear it twice.

Then draw the correct route on the map.

Please, ask any questions now, because you must not speak during Part 2.

Now we are ready to start.

Now look at the map.



Now listen again to the dialogue.

While you are listening, draw the correct route on the map on the answer paper.

You have two more minutes to finish the task.

This is the end of Part 2.

Now turn to Part 3.



Part 3

You will hear 5 short news items.

You will hear them twice.

Circle True(T) or False (F) for each of the 12 sentences which follow.

Please, ask any questions now, because you must not speak during the Part 3.

Now we are ready to start.

Now read the sentences on the question paper. You have two minutes for this.

1. Two men stole 300 tins of dog food.
2. A bus crash caused a traffic jam.
3. John Clark fell 60 metres down a cliff
4. Two men robbed a supermarket in Austria.
5. Ted Cornwall' s joke service costs 300 Euro.
6. Travelling on a new road was very slow because of an accident.
7. A 77 year old man wants to help unhappy people.
8. Two robbers escaped in a car.
9. Ted Cornwall sends jokes by e-mail.
10. An eight years old boy broke his arm.
11. It will take 2 years for the spacecraft to reach Neptune.
12. Neptune is a mystery planet.

Now listen again to the news. While you are listening, circle T or F on the answer paper.

Example: Ted Cornwall is eight years old.

T / F

You now have three minutes to finish your answers on the answer paper.

This is the end of Part 3 and the Listening Paper.



Paper 3 Speaking

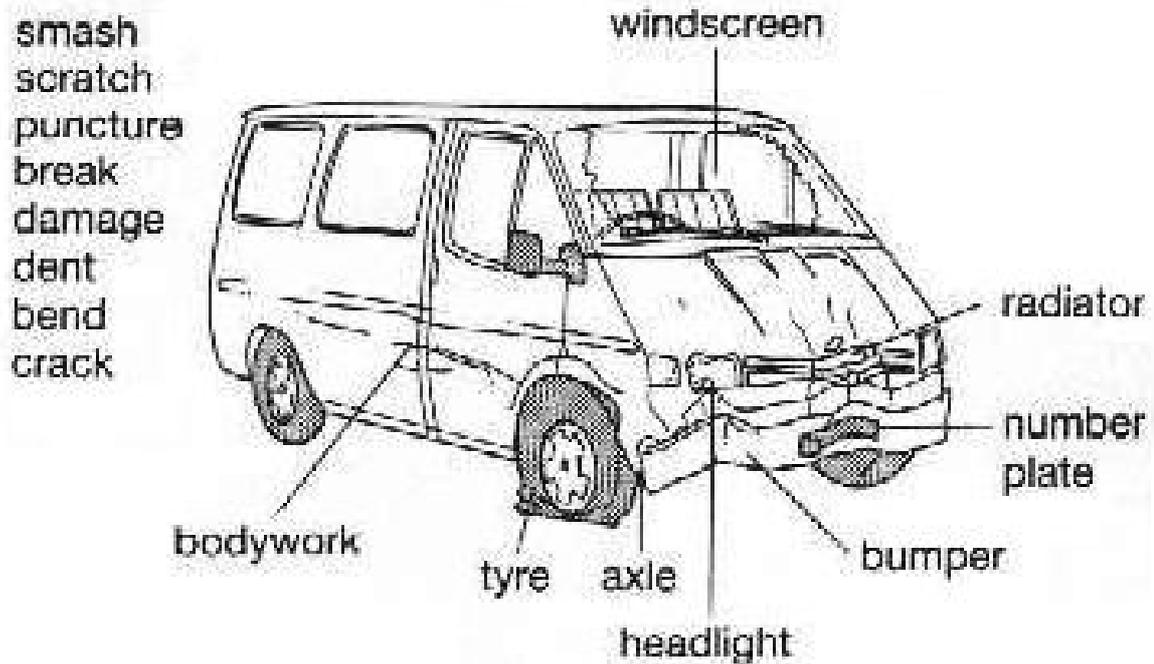
Now you have the speaking test. The examiner will tell you what to do.

Part 1

General conversation

Part 2

2a Visual stimulus





2b Text stimulus

**CINEMAS:
Manhattan, New York**

WARNER CENTER, Park Avenue

Admission:

\$ 15 adults, \$ 10 children

Screen 1 Evil Beasts 3.45, 6.00, 8.15

Screen 2 Goodbye, Goodbye 2.50, 5.20, 7.50

Screen 3 La Bamba 2.20, 4.55, 7.35

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ROXY THEATER, Lexington Avenue

Admission:

\$5 stalls, \$7.50 circle, Children half price

Star trek 5.30, 8.00

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CMN STUDIOS, E 53rd Street

Admission:

Screen 1 \$12.50, Screen 2 \$9.00 No smoking

Screen 1 Top Gun 3.20, 5.05, 8.40

Screen 2 Evil Beasts 2.30, 4.55, 7.20

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CRESCENT MOVIE THEATER, Third Avenue

Admission:

\$10 afternoons, \$15 evenings after 5 p.m.

Screen 1 Evil Beasts 4.05, 6.10, 8.15

Screen 2 Star Trek 1.20, 5.05, 8.50

FILMS

- **Evil Beasts** By Al Hitchin, master of suspense, this film will terrify you. You won't be able to sleep after seeing it.
- **Goodbye, Goodbye** A love story which will make you cry, although parts of it are rather slow. Haunting music mixes perfectly with secret meetings and superb Californian scenery.
- **La Bamba** An Italian film about a small child who loses her parents. An old man brings her up and looks after her. (In Italian with English subtitles).
- **StarTrek 6** Yet another movie about Captain Kirk and his crew on the Starship Enterprise, looking for new stars and planets. In this film they find the strangest planet of all, only to discover that they are on the Earth in 4000 AD.
- **Top Gun** A cowboy film which is not like the others. An old gunfighter has hurt his hand and now can't shoot properly. He starts drinking and is happy to live on his memories. Then one day a well-known gang of bank robbers arrives in town.....



Paper 4 Writing

The examiner will give you a list of topics. Choose one and write 120 – 180 words about it on the answer paper. You will have 15 minutes.