



## Esercitazione per la prova di idoneità linguistica INGLESE B1 - Test A

**Informazione:** questa esercitazione non è una simulazione della prova ma serve solamente a dare un'idea della tipologia di esercizi della sezione di 'reading comprehension'.

### PART 1: Reading Comprehension.

**Extract from a job application form. Outline why you are applying for this job. Use this space to describe your relevant qualification, skills and experience and indicate why they are suitable for this role.**

I am interested in this job because I am currently looking for an opportunity to use the skills I learnt in my college. I have recently completed a 16-week part-time accounting course (AAT Level 2 Certificate). The course covered book-keeping, recording income and receipts and basic costing. We used a wide range of computer packages, and I picked up the accounting skills easily. I was able to work alone with very little extra help. I passed the course with merit. I believe my success was due to my thorough work, my numeracy skills and my attention to detail. During the course, I had experience of working to deadlines and working under pressure. Although this was sometimes stressful, I always completed my work on time.

Unfortunately, the course did not include a work placement, so I have not practised my skills in a business setting, and I am now looking for an opportunity to do so. I am particularly looking for a job in a small company such as yours, as I believe I will be able to interact with a wider range of people, and as a result, learn more skills. I would like to progress within a company and gain more responsibilities over the years.

Although I do not have work experience in finance, I have experience in working in an office environment. Before starting the accounting course, I worked for 6 months in a recruitment office as a receptionist. My duties involved meeting and greeting clients and visitors, taking phone calls, audio and copy typing and checking stock. I also had to keep the petty cash and mail records. Through this work, I developed my verbal and written communication skills. I had to speak confidently to strangers and deliver clear messages. I enjoyed working in a team environment. I believe the office appreciated my friendly manner and efficient work.

**Choose the correct answer: right, wrong, not in text:**

1. The candidate has a qualification in accounting.  true  false  not in text
2. The candidate has a university degree in accounting.  true  false  not in text
3. The candidate worked with an accounting firm as a receptionist.  true  false  not in text
4. The candidate is familiar with some accounting software.  true  false  not in text
5. The candidate has experience of record-keeping  true  false  not in text
6. The candidate has a maths qualification.  true  false  not in text

7. The candidate can work by herself.  true  false  not in text
8. The candidate intends to study a further accounting course.  true  false  not in text
9. The candidate believes herself to be a careful worker.  true  false  not in text
10. Deadlines do not stress the candidate.  true  false  not in text

## PART 2: Grammar

Fill in the gaps using the verbs in brackets in the correct tense.

### A) Choose between *Present Simple* (es. do/does) or *Present Continuous* (es. is/are doing)

1. A: Listen! She \_\_\_\_\_ the piano.
2. He \_\_\_\_\_ his holidays in Spain every year. (not / spend)

### B) Choose between *Past Simple* (es. did) or *Past Continuous* (es. was/were doing)

3. A: 'Why \_\_\_\_\_ me yesterday afternoon?' (you/phone/?)
4. 5. B: 'Because I \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) to the sports centre to play hockey with a few friends. We were only three players so I \_\_\_\_\_ (try) to ring you to ask if you would like to come as well'.

### C) Choose between *Past Simple* (es. did) or *Present Perfect* (es. have/has + Past Participle)

6. They \_\_\_\_\_ (not study) for the test yet.
7. In 2004, the Olympic Summer Games \_\_\_\_\_ (take) place in Athens.

### Choose between *Simple Future* (will) or *Going to*.

8. Look, that tree \_\_\_\_\_ (fall)!
9. You \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a successful future, I'm sure of it!

### D) Conditional sentences: complete the sentences using the correct form of the verb in brackets.

10. They \_\_\_\_\_ (help) you if you asked them.
- 11 \_\_\_\_\_ (you/ come/?) to the party if we finish the report?

**E) Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets with *to+infinitive* or *verb+-ing*.**

12. I look forward to \_\_\_\_\_ (hear) from you.

13. Do you want \_\_\_\_\_ (stop) for a coffee?

**F) Transform the following sentences from *Active* to *Passive*.**

*Example:* Active: Dante *had finished* the “Inferno” by 1308.

Passive: The “Inferno” *had been finished* by 1308.

14. They will not show the new film

14. \_\_\_\_\_

15. They have not caught the thieves.

15. \_\_\_\_\_

16. Charles Bradley wrote that song in 2013.

16. \_\_\_\_\_

**G) Complete the sentences with: *can/could/shall/should/will/may/might/must*:**

17. We \_\_\_\_\_ win this match or we will be disqualified!

18. A: ‘At what time will they be back?’ B: ‘It’s Saturday, they \_\_\_\_\_ be late.’

**H) Complete the sentences with: *they/their/them* and the correct form of the verb *be***

19. I spoke to \_\_\_\_\_ mother yesterday.

20. \_\_\_\_\_ didn’t tell me he was ill.

**I) Complete the sentences with the correct *comparative* or *superlative* adjective.**

21. It is \_\_\_\_\_ to love in Prague than to live in London. (cheap)

22. Jane is \_\_\_\_\_ than Anna. (hard-working)

23. The Irish are \_\_\_\_\_ people in the world. (friendly)

**J) Complete the sentences with *much/many/(a) few/(a) little*.**

24. I would like \_\_\_\_\_ ice with my wine.

25. The party was nice but \_\_\_\_\_ people came.

26. How \_\_\_\_\_ water do you drink every day?

**K) Fill in the gaps with *a/an/the*. If it is NOT necessary put an X.**

27. \_\_\_\_\_ 8-year-old girl gave me this drawing.

28. I'll see you in \_\_\_\_\_ morning. Goodbye!

**L) Complete the sentences with the correct preposition.**

29. She walked \_\_\_\_\_ the bridge.

30. A bird flew \_\_\_\_\_ the shop.