

A N S W E R K E Y

GRAMMAR – 15pts (0.5 point/correct answer)

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| A: 1. well | 6. on | 11. also | 16. if/when |
| 2. are | 7. for | 12. however | 17. others |
| 3. by | 8. without | 13. than | 18. do |
| 4. which / what | 9. does | 14. off / out | 19. on |
| 5. many / several | 10. should | 15. which | |
| B: 20. was | 24. didn't realise / hadn't realised | 27. were surrounded | |
| 21. had (always) wanted | 25. would be walking | 28. was delighted | |
| 22. was | 26. sank | 29. to raise | |
| 23. needed | | 30. will try / 'll try | |

VOCABULARY – 10pts (0.5 point/correct answer)

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|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| A: 1. lamb | 6. stallion | B: 11. A | 16. A |
| 2. rooster | 7. mare | 12. D | 17. C |
| 3. hen | 8. drake | 13. C | 18. A |
| 4. cow | 9. duckling | 14. A | 19. B |
| 5. calf | 10. lioness | 15. C | 20. B |

READING COMPREHENSION – 10pts (1 point/correct answer)

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| A: 1. B | B: 8. C |
| 2. G | 9. A |
| 3. H | 10. A |
| 4. J | |
| 5. A | |
| 6. E | |
| 7. C | |

LISTENING COMPREHENSION – 5pts (0.5 point/correct answer)

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| A: 1. C | 6. 2 (skyscrapers) |
| 2. A | 7. 3 (storeys) |
| 3. B | 8. 828m |
| 4. B | 9. 7 (months) |
| 5. C | 10. 2019 |

L I S T E N I N G T A P E S C R I P T

(Please read twice.)

Mini Sky City

Mini Sky City isn't the tallest tower in China. It's only a third of the height of Shanghai's loftiest. But the speed at which it was built has been turning heads. The tower shot up at the speed of three storeys per day, reaching a height of 204 metres after only 19 days of construction.

How did the company behind it, Broad Group, build it so fast? The answer is that it was made in a factory. The tower is assembled from steel parts made on a production line which are then driven to the building site and slotted together like Lego. Broad Group says using steel parts makes their technique not only quicker, but also safer than conventional concrete buildings, which are less flexible in earthquakes.

And next on the company's list is an ambitious plan to build the world's tallest tower. Dubbed Sky City, they say it will be even taller than the 828 m Burj Khalifa in Dubai. They say it will take only seven months to build a 'vertical city' using their modular technique, with homes, schools, offices and even hospitals and indoor farms for 30,000 people inside. They claim it would reduce the need for cars, and therefore would be more environmentally friendly than a normal city. Critics are not so sure. Some say it could be unsafe, others think it is a vanity project.

And is higher necessarily better? There's a phrase in English: the bigger they are, the harder they fall. One theory says that skyscrapers are always built before an economic crisis. Whatever happens, it looks like this trend will continue, as we build higher and higher. In Saudi Arabia, a tower is under construction that will have a height of over one kilometre when finished. The Kingdom Tower is expected to be completed in 2019. So, what do you think? Is this human desire to build ever higher just pie in the sky, or is it really true that the sky's the limit?

S P E A K I N G – R O L E P L A Y

Student:

You need to borrow €30,000 from your rich uncle to start a pizza takeaway business. The problem is, you last saw him 2 years ago. Go and talk with your uncle. Try to persuade him that, thanks to his money, you will be able to make your dreams come true.

You start.

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S P E A K I N G – R O L E P L A Y

Teacher:

Your brother's son/daughter is coming to talk to you. You hardly remember his/her name as he/she almost never visits you. You live alone in your villa. You are very rich but you hate to lend money to anybody. Moreover, you are very emotional.

S P E A K I N G – P I C T U R E S

Make up a short story using the pictures below.



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