

**A N S W E R   K E Y**

**GRAMMAR – 15pts**

KEY:

1=in, 2=have, 3=this/the, 4=where, 5=yet, 6=ago, 7=the, 8=such, 9=because, 10=when, 11=out, 12=Under/under, 13=However/however, 14=would, 15=had, 16=being, 17=after/for, 18=known, 19=at, 20=to

KEY:

- 21 Tom, **how about taking** the students swimming tomorrow?  
22 John **suggested** (that) we should go for a short hike/ John **suggested** (that) we go for a short hike.  
23 The cost of living **appears to be rising** again.  
24 My mother **told me not to forget** to phone next day.  
(My mother **told me to remember** to phone next day.)  
25 If Olivia **had concentrated, she would have** made fewer mistakes.  
26 John hates **being instructed (on) what to do**.  
  
27 need to buy/have to buy  
28 must have left  
29 can arrive/could arrive/should arrive  
30 must be

**VOCABULARY – 10pts (spelling counts)**

KEY:

1=recovery, 2=transportation, 3=itself, 4=globally, 5=urgency, 6=increasingly, 7=worldwide, 8=significant

9+10=information/material,  
13+14=member/remnant,

11+12=authority/court,  
15+16=behaviour/death

17=of, 18=at/with, 19=at, 20=to

**VOCABULARY – PROGRESSIVE TEST**

Part 1 – NOUN PHRASES

KEY: 1-D, 2-J, 3-H, 4-B, 5-F, 6-K, 7-A, 8-E, 9-I, 10-C

Part 2 – VERB PHRASES

KEY: 1-K, 2-C, 3-E, 4-H, 5-D, 6-G, 7-F, 8-A, 9-J, 10-L

**Assessment:** 1 point for three correct matchings. If everything is matched correctly, award **8 points**.

**READING COMPREHENSION – 10pts**

KEY: 1=C, 2=C, 3=C, 4=C, 5=A

6=T, 7=T, 8=F, 9=NS, 10=F

**LISTENING COMPREHENSION – 5pts**

KEY: 1=F, 2=T, 3=T, 4=NS, 5=F, 6=F

- 7 intellectually  
8 academic performance/overall reputation  
9 statistics  
10 adequate

**L I S T E N I N G   T A P E   S C R I P T**  
**(Please read once.)**

**Factors Crucial to Choosing a Good High School for Your Child**

*The Reason You Need to Find the Perfect School*

Studies by the US Department of Education have found that a startling 1.2 million students drop out of high school in a year in the United States alone.

A good school allows a child to not just excel academically, but also motivates him/her to explore other interests. This leads to the all-around development of the child, which enables him/her to succeed in life. With top colleges in the country receiving a record number of applications each year and with eligibility criteria ramped up, it is important for parents to choose a high school that ensures quality education that opens avenues for the further academic and personal growth of their child.

Instead of choosing a neighbourhood school or one of repute, select a high school that allows a child to grow intellectually and personally. It is not important to find the best school in the world, but rather find one that will support and enhance your child's interests and passion. In the following, you can find some simple tips on how to choose a good high school for your child that will help him or her excel in life.

*Public School vs. Private School*

The age-old debate about public and private schools leaves many parents confused. Is it better to opt for a local public school or choose an exclusive private school with a hefty tuition fee? Public schools administered by local, state, or national governments offer free education. They are often criticized for their high pupil-teacher ratio and bureaucratic style of functioning. However, these schools do have their own set of advantages like a diverse student population, qualified teachers, and provision of programs for children with special needs.

Private schools, also known as independent schools, are funded in whole by students' tuition fees. Although these schools charge quite a hefty amount, they do have the advantage of smaller classes, less bureaucracy, and more parent involvement. This does not mean that just because you pay more at a private school, the education is better. A good public school may be a better match for your child. You need to look beneath the label of "public" or "private" to choose a school that is right for your kid. Apart from public and private schools, there are charter schools, religious schools, and special performing-arts schools.

*Academic Record and Reputation of the School*

This is probably the first thing that parents consider while choosing a school for their child. All parents want their child to excel academically. Therefore, the academic performance of the school and its overall reputation is one of the major deciding factors when choosing a high school.

If the students of a school consistently perform well in tests and examinations, it is a good indicator of the academic quality of the school. You can check how students at a school perform as compared to others using statistics provided by the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) and the State Department of Education.

*Check the Number of Students*

The student-teacher ratio in a class and the overall number of students in a school is extremely important. One of the reasons why many parents prefer private schools is because of the small class sizes. A ratio of fifteen children per teacher ensures that the child gets adequate personal attention. However, it is important to consider that there is no set ratio for every student. While some students do well in a smaller environment with personal attention, others thrive in larger schools with a wide variety of classes and activities.

**S P E A K I N G   -   R O L E P L A Y**

**Student (playing Neighbour A)**

You live in Miami, FL, and your neighbour keeps two anacondas as pets in their garden. Sometimes, a snake gets in your house and chases your chihuahua and poodles. Talk to your neighbour about putting the snakes in a cage or some other safe place before they eat one or more of your dogs. Threaten to call the sheriff's office.

You start.



**S P E A K I N G   -   R O L E P L A Y**

**Teacher (playing Neighbour B)**

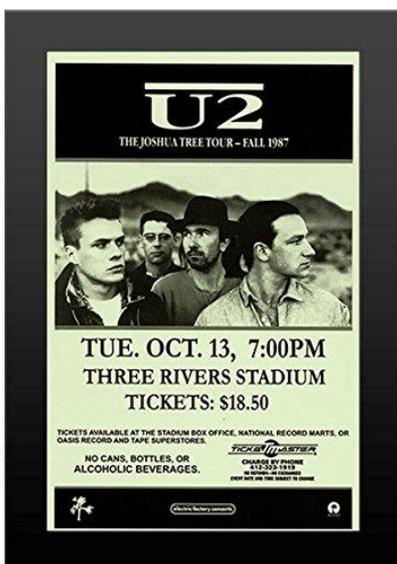
The man/lady next door wants you to put your anacondas in a cage or in some sort of safe place. He/she insists they could eat his/her dogs. Explain to your neighbour that this is impossible since your snakes are vegetarian. Offer to buy her a new dog if the snakes do happen to eat any of her dogs, and don't accept any threats from him/her.

Your partner starts.

**S P E A K I N G – P I C T U R E**

The pictures below may help you invent a story with the title:

Fortunately/Unfortunately, I was at that concert/concerto.



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