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Final Mark: **80,5**/100

Level: A2+

Company: Accenture

Teacher's notes and corrections in orange.

Wrong answers in red.

Vocabulary (10pts total)

1) Complete the sentences with the correct word. Write the terms between the brackets.

(10 pts - 2 pt each)

1. I have made a **reservation** for you for two nights at the Orion Hotel. (**reservation**) ✓
2. My brother travels **abroad** twice a year. He has to visit the headquarters in Praga. It's a long way from Buenos Aires. (**abroad**) ✓
3. The **factory** closed 5 months ago. Many people lost their jobs. (**factory**) ✓
4. Their shop receives many complaints from **customers** every day. The service is extremely slow. (**customers**) ✓
5. We need to **locate** the business in a centric area. Otherwise, we wouldn't attract tourists. (**locate**) ✓

Grammar (20pts total) (19 pts)

1) Comparatives and superlatives: complete the questions with the correct form of the word in brackets. Use "than" where necessary. (7 pts - 1 pt each) (7 pts)

6. Is your budget this year **smaller than** (small) last year? ✓

7. What's **the biggest** (big) challenge when planning an event? ☒
8. Do you think the red room is **better than** (good) the yellow room? ☒
9. Are events like this one **easier than** (easy) formal conferences? ☒
10. Who is **the most organised** (organised) employee in your company? ☒
11. Who's **the most important** (important) guest at the event tonight? ☒
12. Of all these, which is **the best** (good) sound system? ☒

2) Enough and too: choose the correct option. (7 pts - 1 pt each) (6 pts)

- 1- I'm **not rich enough** to fly first class.
 - a) I'm not rich enough ☒
 - b) I haven't got money enough
- 2- Jo **was tired enough** to do any more work after the meeting so she went home.
 - a) was tired enough ☒ (was too tired)
 - b) was too tired
- 3- He's **too young** to be on the board of directors.
 - a) He's too young ☒
 - b) He is enough young
- 4- There **is too much work** here for one person to do.
 - a) is too much work ☒
 - b) are too many work
- 5- We **haven't got enough staff** to run the business efficiently.
 - a) haven't got too many staff
 - b) haven't got enough staff ☒
- 6- There **are too many problems** for us to solve in one meeting.
 - a) are too many problems ☒
 - b) is too much problem
- 7- The meeting **wasn't long enough** to discuss everything on the agenda.
 - a) wasn't too much long

b) wasn't long enough ✓

3) Past simple and past continuous: put the verbs in brackets into the correct form.
(6 pts - 1 pt each) (6 pts)

1. While I (drive), I (have) an accident.

While I was driving, I had an accident. ✓

2. Kate (have) dinner and then she (do) her homework.

Kate had dinner and then she did her homework. ✓

3. The thieves (hide) in the kitchen when the police (come) in.

The thieves were hiding in the kitchen when the police came in. ✓

4. Sam (plan) a party and then he (phone) his friends.

Sam planned a party and then he phoned his friends. ✓

5. While we (clean) the house, we (break) some glasses.

While we were cleaning the house, we broke some glasses. ✓

6. Alan (look) out of the window when he (see) a UFO.

Alan was looking out of the window when he saw a UFO. ✓

Reading (15pts total) (13,5)

Retail wonders in Lisbon

You may not think of Lisbon as a top shopping destination, but think again. There are so many interesting and unusual shops in Lisbon it's difficult to choose which to write about in my blog.

Bookshops, old and new

Let's start with bookshops. Lisbon is full of bookshops. The Portuguese love reading! The oldest in the world, Livraria Bertrand, is here. It opened in 1732, was destroyed in the earthquake in 1755, moved to another building, and has now been in the same place in downtown Lisbon since 1773. The Bertrand has had many different owners over the centuries and today it is a chain with over fifty bookshops in Portugal and Spain. Less traditional and much newer is Livraria Ler Devagar, which translates as 'The Read Slowly Bookshop'. It opened in 1999 and people say it's one of the most beautiful bookshops in the world. It's full of books from floor to ceiling, and there are two cafés where you can sit and relax, meet friends or just read a book. It also puts on cultural events, including exhibitions, concerts and plays. It's much more than just a place to buy books.

Independent pop-ups

If bookshops aren't for you, try something quite different. Go to Embaixada ('Embassy' in English), where you can find original Portuguese design. It first opened in 2013 and is like a small shopping mall or department store in a beautiful, nineteenth-century palace. Each room in the palace has an independent pop-up boutique with different Portuguese brands and designs, including fashion, jewellery, cosmetics and interior design. There is also a café and a restaurant with a garden terrace.

From the new to the very old

If you love open-air markets, go to Feira da Ladra. This is a flea market like Portobello Market in London or Marché aux Puces de St-Ouen in Paris. Open twice a week, on Tuesdays and Saturdays, it is the place to go to find second-hand clothes and antiques, coins, stamps and almost anything else you can think of. Over 800 years old, it's one of the oldest flea markets in Europe.

- 1) Read the blog post and decide if the statements are T (true) or F (false). (15 pts - 1,5 pts each)

1. Livraria Bertrand has always been in the same building since it first opened.

False, because the text states it was destroyed in an earthquake in 1755 and moved to another building. ☒

2. Livraria Ler Devagar is not only a bookshop but also a place where people can enjoy cultural events.

True, because the text mentions it puts on cultural events, including exhibitions, concerts and plays. ☒

3. The writer suggests Livraria Ler Devagar because it is the cheapest bookshop in Lisbon.

False, because the text says it is "one of the most beautiful bookshops in the world" but it doesn't say it is the cheapest. ☒

4. Embaixada is located inside a modern shopping centre built in the 21st century.

False, because it is located inside a "beautiful, nineteenth-century palace." ☒

5. At Embaixada, every room sells exactly the same products and brands.

False, because the text says each room has an "independent pop-up boutique with different Portuguese brands and designs." ☒

6. Visitors can eat or drink something after shopping at Embaixada.

True, because the text notes there is also "a café and a restaurant with a terrace garden." ☒

7. Feira da Ladra is open every weekend from Friday to Sunday.

False, because it is open "twice a week, on Tuesdays and Saturdays." ☒

8. People often visit Feira da Ladra to look for unusual old objects as well as second-hand clothes.

True, because the text says it's the place to find "second-hand clothes and antiques, coins, stamps and almost anything else." ☒

9. The text says Feira da Ladra is older than the famous Portobello Market in London.

False, Because the text compares it to Portobello Market but does not explicitly state it is older than it; it just states Feira da Ladra is "Over 800 years old, it's one of the oldest flea markets in Europe."

☒ (F)

10. The writer believes Lisbon has many interesting places to shop, even if it is not famous for shopping.

True, because the text opens with: "You may not think of Lisbon as a top shopping destination but think again. There are so many interesting and unusual shops..." ☒

Teacher's note: it was not necessary to justify the answers. And be careful with the use of AI .

Listening (15pts total) (15 pts)

1) Listen to a radio programme and choose the correct option.
(9 pts – 1,5 pts each) (9 pts)

1- The radio programme is mainly about

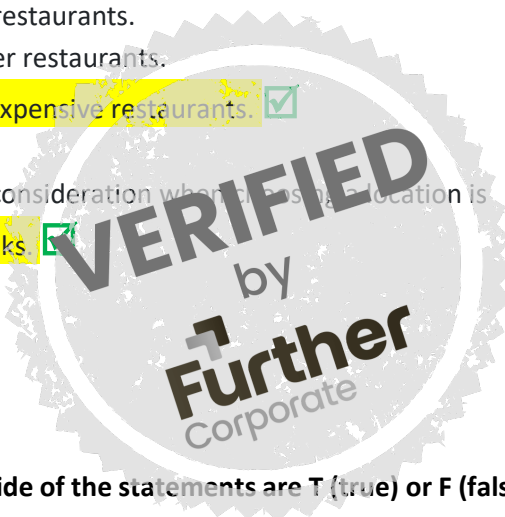
a) cooking.

b) restaurants. ☒

c) property.

2- Steve Harris helps people find the right place

- a) for their businesses. ☒
 - b) to live.
 - c) to have a meal.
- 3- Steve says that in an area with low footfall, there are
- a) many people.
 - b) few people. ☒
 - c) many amenities.
- 4- According to the interviewer, an area with high footfall has
- a) no other restaurants.
 - b) lots of parking.
 - c) lots of people walking there. ☒
- 5- Steve explains that an expensive restaurant will do well in a part of town
- a) with cheap restaurants.
 - b) with no other restaurants.
 - c) with some expensive restaurants. ☒
- 6- Another important consideration when choosing a location is
- a) transport links. ☒
 - b) traffic.
 - c) size.



2) Listen again and decide if the statements are T (true) or F (false). (6 pts – 1,5 pts each) (6 pts)

- 1. Most restaurants are still open after their first year. **False**, ☒
- 2. It's easy to open a successful restaurant. **False**, ☒
- 3. It's a good idea to choose an area with lots of competition. **False** ☒
- 4. You need to consider the amount of parking available. **True** ☒

Writing (20pts total) (10 pts)

Your recently started working from home. Your laptop is very old and slow, and it is very difficult to do your job. Write an email to the IT department.

In your email:

- Explain the problem.
- Describe how it affects your work.
- Ask for another laptop or another solution.
- Thank them for their help.

Write about 120 words.

Subject: Request for help with my laptop

Dear IT Department,

I recently started working from home, but I am having problems with my laptop. It is very old and slow, and sometimes it takes a long time to open programs or documents. It also freezes when I am in online meetings or when I need to use different applications at the same time.

This situation affects my work because I can't finish my tasks quickly, and I sometimes lose time during important calls. It is difficult to work efficiently and answer my team on time.

Could you please provide me with another laptop or help me find another solution? I would appreciate your support with this issue.

Thank you very much for your help.

Best regards,

Ariel Sobocki.

Teacher's note:

Good! No mistakes were found. However, be careful with the use of AI. This writing does not reflect your performance in class and the content we have been working on. Remember I have commented on the use of AI for exams before, it is evident when a student uses it, as we teachers are aware of your learning process and progress with the language. It is ok to use a little help, but these exams are designed for the students to show their skills as honestly as possible.

Speaking (20pts total) (13 pts)

Accuracy	3/5 pts	Comments I detected some inconsistencies with the language: • “I studied lifeguard” instead of “I made the lifeguard course”, for example. • The term course was mistaken for career. • The use of childrens when it is an irregular plural. • “Depends the age” instead of “it depends on the age”. You answered all the questions successfully, despite the mistakes. We should continue polishing pronunciation, especially when it comes to -ed endings and some other sounds. The use of vocabulary was on point.
Pronunciation	3/5 pts	
Fluency	3/5 pts	
Vocabulary	4/5 pts	

