ESCUELAS OFICIALES DE IDIOMAS DE LA REGIÓN DE MURCIA

PRUEBA TERMINAL ESPECÍFICA DE CERTIFICACIÓN

NIVEL INTERMEDIO

COMPRENSIÓN ESCRITA

NOMBRE: ________________________ DNI: ___________

DURACIÓN TOTAL: 75 minutos

INDICACIONES:
- Las dos tareas se desarrollarán en los espacios indicados.
- Debe emplearse tinta azul o negra. El uso del lápiz no es válido.
- Corregir tachando el texto. No usar correctores líquidos o cintas.
- No se debe escribir en las partes sombreadas.
- Puntuación total: 22. Calificación de “APTO”: ≥ 11
Task 1

Read the following notices on Aberdeen University notice board. Then choose the best option for each notice and write the corresponding letter in the answer grid, as shown in the example (NOTICE 0).

NOTICE 0:

We are asking people up and down the country to share their thoughts and feelings in a recorded conversation with a loved one or relative.

What you talk about is up to you.

0. The participants in this initiative...
   a. … can choose the topic of their conversation.
   b. … can’t choose the topic of their conversation.
   c. … can’t choose a member of their family.

NOTICE 1:

Ink cartridge donation

Have any old ink cartridges? Don’t know what to do with them? Rather than just throwing them away, give them to me and I will have them recycled. The money will be donated to Childreach International and you’ll be saving the environment as well! Talk about killing two birds with one stone. Even if you have just one item, donate it because every penny helps.

Just email me at yi.tig.11@aol.co.uk and I will collect the cartridges from you.

The writer will be “killing two birds with one stone” because he will be...
   a. … collecting and throwing ink cartridges away.
   b. … collecting and recycling ink cartridges himself.
   c. … recycling ink cartridges and helping a charity.

NOTICE 2:

£5 reimbursement for perception experiment

I am looking for participants for an experiment on visual attention. You will be asked to make a number of eye movements and perform a target detection task. The experiment will last 45 minutes and a reimbursement of £5 will be paid.

Interested and have not yet participated?

Email: h.m@abn.ac.uk

This experiment requires...
   a. … inexperienced participants.
   b. … experienced participants.
   c. … short-sighted participants.
NOTICE 3:
Launch of the University of Aberdeen Student Development Committee

On Thursday 15th November the new Student Development Committee will hold its first information session for members in Room A21 in the Taylor Building within King’s Campus at noon.

A new Student Development Committee...
- a. … is going to be started.
- b. … has already been presented.
- c. … is holding its monthly meeting.

NOTICE 4:
Bake Sale

The money you’ve paid will go directly into Childreach International. Please tell me 4 or 5 days in advance so that I can prepare the ingredients.

This is a …
- a. … charity event.
- b. … cooking lesson.
- c. … gathering of friends.

NOTICE 5:
£30 Reward: BlackBerry missing

My BlackBerry went missing in the MacRobert Building yesterday, 7th Nov. I have files on it which are of no use to anyone else, but of great use to me. If found, please return to Gillian Jack with your contact details. Many thanks.

The BlackBerry has …
- a. … relevant information for everybody.
- b. … useless information which nobody will miss.
- c. … relevant information for the owner, exclusively.

NOTICE 6:
CALLING ALL LEVEL I STUDENTS: ENHANCE YOUR EMPLOYABILITY BY STUDYING ABROAD AS PART OF YOUR DEGREE!

This experience will…
- a. … give students more working opportunities.
- b. … be a compulsory part of their degree.
- c. … improve employees’ job satisfaction.

NOTICE 7:
Black Samsung slide-up phone missing

If in the last few weeks (over a month), anyone has seen a black Samsung slide-up phone, fairly old, whose absence is causing distress and disruptions, it would be appreciated if you could contact johnm12@aberdeen.ac.uk.

The owner…
- a. … is not worried about his phone, as it is quite old.
- b. … is quite anxious about his missing phone.
- c. … has just noticed the absence of his phone.

NOTICE 8:
Psychology Experiment - Face Recognition

We are looking for volunteers to take part in a psychology face matching experiment. The study takes approximately 15 minutes to complete, and you would be reimbursed £3 for your time. If you would like to sign up, or for more information, contact Andy Dowsett (dowsett@abdn.ac.uk)

Volunteers will…
- a. … pay £3 for the experiment.
- b. … be paid £3 for the experiment.
- c. … play a psychological game.
Read the text “How to make your break abroad less expensive”. Find one suitable word or expression in the box which best fits in each gap. Write your final answers in the grid provided below, as shown in example 0. There are seven extra words you do not need to use.

14 points

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**SCORE TASK 1:** _____ / 8  
**SCORE TASK 2:** _____ / 14  
**TOTAL SCORE:** _____ / 22  

APTO (≥ 11)  
NO APTO (< 11)
How to make your break abroad less expensive

Our consumer expert looks at some ways to cut _____(0)_____ if you are going on holiday

A. TRAVELLING BY AIR
Are you travelling with an infant?
Infants usually travel free so keep a(n) _____(1)_____ on the next birthday. Some parents travelling together with a little one check-in with a(n) _____(2)_____ and a window seat in a three seat row in the hope that the middle seat won’t then be taken.

Giving up your seat on the plane
Planes tend to be _____(3)_____ on the presumption that some people will not turn up. Quite a tidy sum may be paid to those agreeing to be ‘bumped’ and take a later plane. This of course is for those with time to spare.

Pregnant?
Different planes have different rules about the stage in pregnancy when they won’t accept a(n) _____(4)_____ mother, so check this out if relevant.

B. MONEY
Changing foreign currency notes
Some package holiday providers advise _____(5)_____ US dollars or euros to a destination that doesn’t use either of those currencies and then changing them again into a local currency. Bear in mind though that every time money is changed to a different currency, one way or another, the middlemen will take a cut. It may be better to use a local ATM (automatic teller machine) in the holiday destination for most of the holiday money.

Remember that, if you are planning to cash notes abroad, you may need to have your passport with you or, _____(6)_____, a photocopy of it, to show the cashier.

C. HOTEL MATTERS
Room safe PIN
If you do leave your money and/or other _____(7)_____ in a room safe, remember the PIN. If you think you will forget it, write it down somewhere in a coded way.

Hotel breakages
If you are unfortunate enough to break something in a hotel, there may be a policy of charging double for the replacement. If there is a local market close by, and the breakage involves something simple and small, you could check out to see if there is a replacement there.

For something more substantial like a shower head, for instance, that you fear you may be _____(8)_____ for, see if you can find one.

D. RESTAURANTS
Discounts linked to hotel or rental property
If you are staying in a hotel, or even a rented property, check if it has negotiated discounts for hotel guests at _____(9)_____ restaurants or even _____(10)_____.

Meals out with holiday ‘friends’
If eating out with new found ‘friends’, opt for a breakdown of the bill and to pay for what you actually had. It can lead to _____(11)_____ if the bill is divided between diners, some of whom had just a vegetarian meal and no alcohol, while others feasted on, perhaps, a large steak and starter and drank lots of wine.

Protect PIN details when paying
Do be careful about waitresses and waiters when you input your PIN in a POS (Point of Sale) terminal. Don’t let the card out of your _____(12)_____.

E. TAXIS
Go for the _____(13)_____ variety. As an example of what may happen otherwise, a taxi driver may initially state a sum possibly by showing a card if there is a language barrier. The passenger thinking ‘this is cheap’ nods agreement. Typically the taxi driver arrives not quite at the destination he is meant to be going to, but at some isolated place. Here he may demand far more money than the sum indicated before. To avoid this, look for evidence of a(n) _____(14)_____.

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