



UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Grade 8 Term 1 Sample Test

Name: _____

Class: _____

Date: _____

Mark Sheet

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Listening		8
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Part 1

Fill in the missing information using **no more** than **2 words**. The first one has been done for you.

Mira has lived in Sherborne since she was (**Example**) ten. It is a small (1) _____, which is located in the (2) _____ of England. Sherborne is often seen in international (3) _____ because of the traditional English (4) _____ and streets.

Choose the correct answer: A, B, or C.

5. What does Mira like to do in summer?

- A. Ride a bike.
- B. Go on walks.
- C. Go shopping.

6. Where is the Bakery?

- A. Across from the Post Office.
- B. Next to the chemist's.
- C. Opposite the school.

7. Who thinks that London is more interesting than Sherborne?

- A. Mira.
- B. Mira's friend.
- C. Mira's cousin.

Choose the correct answer: True or False.

8. Mira would prefer to live **near** London.

- A. True
- B. False

Part 1

Please read the text below and choose the correct heading for each paragraph. You do not need one title.

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| 1 Paragraph 1 | A Bedouin Tents |
| 2 Paragraph 2 | B Reason for Writing |
| 3 Paragraph 3 | C The Beautiful Desert |
| | D Learning about Bedouins |

I wanted to write about this earlier but I've been so busy it slipped my mind. I've been in the UAE for three days now and I love it. I've been staying at a nice hotel and everyone I've met is so friendly. If you were here, you'd love it too.

(1) _____

I'm writing because I wanted to tell everyone about my recent trip to a desert. Yesterday, I joined a group to go out into the desert and stay at a Bedouin village for one night. I chose to go on this trip because I wanted to learn more about the culture of the Bedouin people and life in the desert.

(2) _____

When we arrived at the village, I saw many tents that were different colours and sizes. Our guides told us that the tents were made from goat or camel hair and were the Bedouin's homes. We were told that we would be sleeping in the tents, which made me happy because I enjoy camping. The sun made the desert very hot so I looked forward to the evening.

(3) _____

In the evening, first we had an amazing dinner with many kinds of traditional Bedouin food. Later that night, a campfire was made and we sat down around the fire and learned more about Bedouin society. We were taught some things about Bedouin music, dance, poetry, and other traditions. It was a great trip that I'll never forget.

Circle the correct answer. Choose A, B, C, or D.

4. What kind of text do you think this is?
- A. A magazine article.
 - B. A newspaper article.
 - C. A travel guide.
 - D. A blog post.
5. Why didn't the author write about her trip earlier?
- A. She was busy and forgot.
 - B. She was having a lot of fun.
 - C. She was too busy studying.
 - D. She didn't think the trip was interesting.

Complete the missing information using **no more** than **2 words**.

The first one has been done for you.

The writer went to the **(Example) desert** and stayed at a Bedouin **(6)** _____ because she was interested in Bedouin **(7)** _____. She saw **(8)** _____ there that were many different colours. These were made of goat or **(9)** _____ hair.

Match the word with what the text says about it.

The first one has been done for you.

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| Example: people | <u> A </u> |
| 10 tent | _____ |
| 11 campfire | _____ |
| 12 food | _____ |

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| A friendly | B traditional | C where we slept |
| | D where we sat | E extremely hot |

