

Mid-term Test (C)

Listening (8 marks)

1- Listen and correct the following statements. (2 marks)

Sir John Barton is the mayor of the town.

Opposite the prison is the Museum of Modern Art.

Sharon will take the tourists on a tour around the Town Museum in the morning.

Sharon charges £20 for the tour.

2- Listen and circle the right option. (2 marks)

1) **The tour will take around _____.**

a- one hour

b- two hours and a half

c- three hours

2) **The Town Museum tour lasts _____.**

a- one hour

b- two hours and a half

c- three hours

3) **The first building they will pass is the _____.**

a- Town Hall

b- the old town prison

c- Modern Art Museum

4) The train station is _____ the library.

a- opposite

b- behind

c- next to

3- Listen and complete with the words you hear. (2 marks)

“_____ the river from the Modern Art Museum, we’ll see the impressive _____ of the main town _____, which was built only _____ years ago for the Muslim population of the town.”

4- Listen and find words meaning: (1 mark)

- ✚ Gave (someone) a sum of money as a way of rewarding him/her for his/her services:
- ✚ An estimate of income and expenditure for a set period of time:

5- Write the words under the suitable column. (1 mark)

façade/ gothic/ opposite/ that/ pedestrian/ museum/ path/ this

/z/	/s/	/θ/	/ð/

Language (12 marks)

1- Circle the right option. (4 marks)

Welcome to an (**astounding/ appalling/ odious**) experience of vacationing in India, the (**grave/ cradle/ tomb**) of ancient civilization and rich cultural heritage. Experience the sights and sounds of its amazing diversity, which (**embeds/ embedded/ is embedded**) in its geography, people, and culture. Explore the gifts of nature and the timeless marks of mankind that dot the landscape of this country. Cool hill stations, mesmerizing wildlife, breathtaking adventure spots, and spellbinding beaches make of India one of the best vacation destinations (**on/ around/ over**) the globe. Priceless treasures of ancient civilizations in the form of ruins and excavations, the tall standing structures of the medieval times

(**reflects/ has reflected/ reflecting**) the splendor, art and architecture of times gone by, and the achievements of modern India, all beckon you to explore them further and satisfy your (**curiosity/ curious/ curiously**). This experience will help you notice the changes in regional cultures, such as the folklore music, dance performances, dress code, decoration styles, languages, dialects as well as food and drinks as you crisscross the length and (**broad/ breed/ breadth**) of the country. Yatra.com promises to take you on this amazing, rejuvenating, and joyous journey (**though/ through/ throughout**) its varied holiday packages.

2- Fill in the blanks with the words from the list. There are two extra words. (4 marks)

reinstated/ reducing/ elitist/ remote/ though/ founded/ civilian/ accommodation/ entrepreneurs/ enabling

Space tourism actually began in 2001, though in a very restricted and _____ form. The first _____ to go to space was American businessman Dennis Tito, who paid \$20 million for his flight to ISS on a Russian Soyuz spacecraft, followed by six other adventurous and rich _____ visiting between 2002 and 2009. Russia has put a hold on tourist flights and has not _____ them yet; _____ to be fair, shelling out \$20-40 million for a life experience cannot be called tourism yet. Stargazing, however, is a popular space tourism pastime for many. There are many parts of the world that are renowned for their stargazing potential. These are usually _____ areas, where the light pollution is reduced, _____ maximum visibility. Some popular stargazing destinations have capitalized on the tourist market by organizing stargazing tours or stargazing-focused _____ options, such as bubble hotels. Unlike tents and cabins, these transparent bubbles offer unobstructed views of the night sky and surrounding landscapes.

3- Put the words between parentheses in the right tense or form. (4 marks)

The Maldives, a collection of more than a thousand islands in the Indian Ocean, (**know**) _____ for its clear emerald water, breathtaking beaches, and (**luxury**) _____ overwater bungalows. With features like these, the archipelago makes for an idyllic sanctuary where guests can snorkel, scuba dive, swim, and savor some truly unforgettable sunsets. Aside from (**be**) _____ one of the (**stunning**) _____ island getaways in the world, the Maldives is also a perfect addition to an itinerary for travelers visiting magnificent South Asian cities or Middle Eastern capitals.

In the Maldives, most resorts (**situate**) _____ on their own private islands. In fact, one island, one resort is the typical approach for hotels within the archipelago. This makes sense (**geography**) _____, considering the Maldives is home to at least 1,192 uninhabited and 200 inhabited islands. Whether you tour multiple islands by staying at (**many**) _____ than one resort over the course of your vacation, or you charter a boat, or take a day tour to an adjacent atoll, make sure to island-hop while (**visit**) _____ the destination.

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Mid-term Test (A)

Listening (8 marks)

1- Listen and complete the table. (2 marks)

	Sunset View	Wild Ways	Green Park	Mary Glen
Accommodation	Caravans	Chalets	Tents	Cottages

2- Listen and correct the following statements. (2 marks)

Sunset View is located in the forest.

Sunset View is located near (a stone's throw from) the sea/ beach./ Wild Ways is located in the forest.

There is a castle near Wild Ways.

There is a safari park near Wild Ways. / There is a castle near Sunset View.

Green Park has a new swimming pool.

Green Park has laundry service. / Wild Ways has a swimming pool.

At Mary Glen, prices are from £255.

At Mary Glen, prices are from £425. / At Green Park prices are from £255.

3- Listen and circle the right option. (2 marks)

1) Near Mary Glen, there is a _____.

a- **market**

b- safari park

c- show caves

2) At Sunset View, there is a _____.

a- laundry room

b- games room

c- tennis court

3) At Wild Ways, prices are from _____.

a- 455

b- 425

c- 545

4) At Sunset View, you can enjoy _____.

a- water sports

b- archery

c- a cycling

4- Listen and complete with the words you hear. (1 mark)

At Wild Ways, there's plenty to do, like **archery**, swimming in hot **tubs**, and playing in indoor and outdoor **slides**. It goes without saying that your holiday will be definitely **memorable**.

5- Listen and say whether the following sounds are similar (S) or different (D). (1 mark)

✚ luxury – extra (D)

✚ machines – chalets (S)

✚ castle – dirty (D)

✚ Located – holiday (D)

Language (12 marks)

1- Fill in the blanks with the words from the list. There are two extra words. (4 marks)

guarantee/ grotesque/ nightmare/ book/ all-inclusive/ reservation/ nonchalance/ picturesque/
appalling/ brochure

Our last staycation was an absolute disaster. We went to a travel agency to make a hotel **reservation**, and the agent suggested a beachside hotel that had **picturesque** views and emerald water. However, that was not the case. The pictures in the **brochure** were absolutely misleading, to say the least. We expected a neat and clean hotel with crystal clear pools and a sea overview. Imagine our shock when we realized that the hotel was far away from the beach and had an old and filthy swimming pool. On top of that, we found a couple of cockroaches and bugs in the room. When we asked for another room, we were given a room with a broken AC, which was fixed only on the last day of our stay.

Moreover, the restaurant was supposed to be five stars, but I can honestly **guarantee** that I have had better food in motorway service stations. The food was served cold with little to no diversity during our entire stay. The Italian cuisine that we were assured was nowhere to be found. Apart from that, we were charged for breakfast, while we asked and paid for an **all-inclusive** plan.

To make matters worse, the service was **appalling** and nothing like what was described in the brochure. The “professional custom service experts” turned out to be careless and even rude workers. The level of **nonchalance** and negligence in that hotel was definitely “unprecedented”. We were really looking forward to having the staycation of our dreams, but it was nothing but a **nightmare**.

2- Circle the right option. (4 marks)

(Whereas/**Whether**/Otherwise) you want to relax by the sea, see amazing (**architect/ architecture**)/architectural), be close to nature, or eat spicy food, Yatra's Tamil Nadu tours are perfect for you. With us, you can see the incredible (**temples**/ **template/ temps**) of Thanjavur, Kanchipuram, Madurai, and Rameswaram. To escape the heat of the (**cost/ coast/ coastal**) and plains, travel to the hill station of Kodaikanal or Ooty with our Tamil Nadu packages; these places are ideal for a honeymoon as well. For (**sea side/ seaside**)/side-sea) fun, head to Marina, Elliott, Covelong, or Auroville Beach. Do not miss out on our guided tour of Chennai's most (**owned/ renowned**)/dreadful) sites like San Thome Basilica, Kapaleeswarar Temple, Fort St George, Government Museum, and Thousand Lights Mosque.

Make use of your **(catering/ attraction/leisure)** time to explore more of the state, like Chettinad cuisine, coffee culture, Carnatic Music, and Bharatnatyam. During your Tamil Nadu holidays, we recommend **(visit/ to visit/visiting)** the Pancha Rathas, Cave Temples, Shore Temple, and the Descent of the Ganges bas-relief in Mahabalipuram.

3- Put the words between parentheses in the right tense or form. (4 marks)

Virgin Galactic **(found) was founded** in 2004 by several parties, including Sir Richard Branson, **(own) owner** of the Virgin empire, and Scaled Composites, an experimental aerospace company currently owned by Northrop Grumman. The Company **(initial) initially** planned its maiden space voyage for 2010 but have faced development and testing setbacks along the way, the most significant being the October 2014 crash of VSS Enterprise craft during a test **(fly) flight**. While there has been some tension between Branson's upbeat flight projections and the hurdles his team keeps facing, Virgin Galactic keeps **(push) pushing** forward with marketing its trips without an expected launch date on its website. The plan is to take passengers up to an altitude of 9 miles using a cargo aircraft which **(then/ release) will then release** the small spaceship that will use its rocket motor to reach into space, at an ultimate altitude of about 62 miles (the so-called Kármán Line). At the apex of the flight path, passengers have a few minutes to experience **(weightless) weightlessness** and gaze at the view. The ship will return to its original takeoff site following the journey. Space travelers are going to receive three days of training before the flight, and the whole package is priced at \$250,000. It is said that more than 700 candidates **(already/ reserve) have already reserved** their seats on upcoming flights.