

# ST EDWARD'S OXFORD



13+ and 14+

**ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE**

For Entry in  
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1 hour

**Candidate Name:** .....

Grammar (40 marks)

Put the verb in brackets into the correct tense in the space provided:

Eg Yesterday John (do) the shopping for his mother

Answer: 'did'

1. Susan .....(work) this week. She's on holiday.
2. I don't understand this sentence, what.....(mean)?
3. Tom.....(live) in Oxford since he was born.
4. She .....(usually/ play) tennis once a week, that's why she's so fit.
5. Linda.....(lost) her passport, so she can't go to Japan.
6. John .....(burn) his hand while he was cooking dinner.
7. The man sitting next to me on the plane was nervous because he .....(fly) before.
8. I.....(work) tomorrow, so we can go out somewhere.
9. She.....(have) a baby quite soon.
10. Don't worry if I.....(be) late tonight.
11. I've decided to stay at home. I .....(go) out if I hadn't been so tired.
12. Hello Jim, I didn't expect to see you. Sonia said you.....(be) ill.

Put one of the following: **a/an/the/-/-** in each space.

1. I work all.....day in a language school
2. I first went to .....university in 1990
3. There is often conflict between.....old and .....young
4. ....Alps are the highest mountains in .....Europe
5. ....British government spends a lot of money on.....education.
6. ....British car industry has .....serious problems.
7. ....children go to .....school in England at .....age of five.
8. ....Italian women are generally well dressed.
9. Last Saturday I went for.....walk in .....area of Yorkshire I had never visited before.
10. We saw.....great film last weekend.

Insert the missing **preposition**

1. Bob's been.....work for ten hours now.
2. I live .....myself, ..... London,.....22 Bath Road
3. ....Monday I will stay.....home
4. Next week I will be .....holiday and I think I'll go..... France.
5. The train will arrive.....9.10pm. Walk .....the tunnel and I'll meet you ..... the entrance hall.

## Reading comprehension (25 marks)

Read the following text:

### Fairtrade

If you think Fairtrade is just about selling coffee and tea, wake up and try our chocolate chip cookies. Why not try some Fairtrade muesli, spread a little marmalade or honey – Fairtrade of course – on your bread, and drink a glass of Fairtrade orange juice?

To many of us, international trade seems an issue that does not affect us – but when world prices of cocoa or coffee beans, for example, fall it can have a devastating impact upon the lives of millions of small-scale farmers. This forces many producers into debt and many lose their land or their home and consequently their livelihood. If their means of making a living is taken away from them, they are left helpless.

Fairtrade's function is to prevent this and to ensure that all the farmers they work with get a guaranteed fair price for what they have grown, whatever the world situation. Sometimes small farmers do not even earn what it has cost them to produce their crop, but the formation of the Fairtrade certification system in the late 1980s has helped to put this situation right and has ensured a better, more stable future for thousands of producers and their families.

This type of trading has brought dramatic results to the lives of some farmers. In the Dominican Republic, for example, banana producers report very positively. Since 2000 when they started selling to Fairtrade their lives have been transformed. Farmer Alfredo Martinez, who was once at the mercy of wildly changing market prices, says 'Now I have a regular income and food for my three children.' After years of living in poor quality rented housing, farmer Gregorio Alvarez is finally building his own home since starting to sell his banana crop into the Fairtrade system.

Producers are also paid by Fairtrade to invest in their local community. Dominican farmers now have toilets and freshwater supplies and in some areas the workers have a canteen where they can get a midday meal at a reduced price. Even local sports teams have been helped with free uniforms and equipment.

Now explain in about 50 – 80 words **why the 'Fairtrade' organisation is good for small farmers.** Use your own words as much as possible.

Writing (30 marks)

A foreign friend is coming to stay with you and your family for a short visit. Write a **letter** to him/her explaining:

- a. What they can look forward to doing with you and your family
- b. What they will need to bring with them
- c. Things they will find different from their own country.

Write about 150 – 200 words.