

**EXAMENS CANTONAUX D'ADMISSION
DANS LES FILIÈRES DE MATURITÉS DU SECONDAIRE 2**
POUR ÉLÈVES ISSU·E·S D'ÉCOLES PRIVÉES OU SCOLARISÉ·E·S À DOMICILE

SESSION 2025

ANGLAIS – durée : 45 minutes

Nom et prénom : _____

Date de naissance : _____

Consignes spécifiques

Dictionnaire papier bilingue fourni dans le cadre de l'examen.

ZONE RÉSERVÉE AUX CORRECTIONS

POINTS OBTENUS :

PART 1 READING COMPREHENSION

Exercise 1 *Read the text and answer the questions on the next page.*

Not everyone thinks that children and teenagers should help with household chores. Some believe that asking children to help in the house teaches them important life lessons. Others feel that they should only think about school, extracurricular activities, and having fun.

From a young age, children can learn to do some small jobs around the house, like tidying up their rooms, making the bed, and setting the table. In this way, children learn that a family needs everyone's help. They also learn to value manual work and to respect others and their work. As they grow, it feels natural for children to participate in the housework even more, such as clearing the table and washing the dishes. But it's important to ask kids and teens to do chores that are right for their age and won't be too hard for them. If they are doing something for the first time, they should learn how to do it first. They don't know what to do if they don't see it!

For children and teenagers, learning how to cook a meal, do laundry, or clean the house is an important part of growing up. It gives them confidence in their own abilities. When children and teens are responsible for some household tasks, as well as doing their homework and participating in after-school activities, they learn to organise their time better. This can be useful in every aspect of their lives.

Some people don't agree with this idea. They think that helping with the housework might make children's lives harder when they should just enjoy being young. Because childhood is an important part of their lives, they believe that children have other things to think about, such as studying at school, doing sports, or playing music. They worry that giving them chores might stress them out or take away from their fun time.

Should Kids Help With Household Chores? Test-English. Retrieved February 12 2025, from <https://test-english.com/reading/a2/should-kids-help-with-household-chores-a2-english-reading-test/>

Questions regarding the text. Choose the best possible answer.

1. What is this text about?

- The importance of children focusing only on school and fun
- If children and teenagers should help with household chores
- How parents can do all the housework without help
- The best ways for children to avoid doing chores

2. What is one reason why children should help with household chores?

- To make their parents happy
- To learn important life lessons
- To avoid stress
- To have more free time

3. Which of the following chores is mentioned for children to do?

- Cleaning the windows
- Doing the grocery shopping
- Washing the car
- Making the bed

4. What should children learn before doing a new chore?

- How to do it correctly
- How long it will take
- How to avoid doing it
- How much money they will get

5. What do some people believe children should focus on instead of chores?

- Doing chores perfectly
- Earning money
- Studying, sports, and having fun
- Helping other people

6. How can doing chores benefit children and teens?

- They will become rich
- It helps them organize their time better
- It makes them less responsible
- It teaches them to avoid working

7. What is one concern about children doing household chores?

- It makes them less confident
- It could teach them bad habits
- It makes them become too independent
- It could take away from their fun time

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For each assertion, say if it is true (T), false (F), or not mentioned (NT).

Assertion	T	F	NT
Everybody think that children should only focus on school and extracurricular activities, not household chores.			
Helping with household chores teaches children important life skills.			
Children who do chores get better grades in school.			
As they grow older, children can take on more responsibilities at home.			
Parents should give children difficult chores to teach them resilience.			
Some people believe that chores can take away from children's fun time.			
At any age every child should do the same amount of chores.			
Some people believe that housework is for adults only.			
The text says that children who do chores are happier than those who don't.			
Children can learn to do housework without someone teaching them.			

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Exercise 2 - Read the text again and find the words in the text that match the definitions:

1. Young people between the ages of 13 and 19 who are growing from children into adults (noun): _____
2. To feel or show concern and pressure about something important (verb):

3. Happening outside of regular school lessons, like sports, music, or clubs. (adjective):

4. The feeling of believing in yourself and your abilities. (noun): _____
5. To become bigger, older, or develop over time (verb): _____
6. Tasks assigned by teachers for students to complete outside of school. (noun):

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Total Reading Comprehension / 23 pts

PART 2 WRITING

Your dream job

Everyone has a dream job, something they would love to do in the future. What is **your** dream job? Write a short text about it.

In your text, talk about:

- why you want to do this job
- what you will do in this job (tasks)
- where you will work
- who you will work with
- how much money you will earn
- what you need to study

Don't forget to write your text in the future!

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- a) as expensive that b) as expensive as c) as expensive then
12. If you _____ Eurovision, you _____ watch the 2025 edition because it promises to be spectacular.
- a) have / like b) like / must c) can / must
13. If a country withdrew from the competition, it _____ disappoint many of its fans.
- a) would b) will c) should
14. The final of the 2025 Eurovision Song Contest was _____ 17th May.
- a) in b) at c) on
15. Did the voting system work _____ this year than in previous Eurovision contests?
- a) worse b) worst c) bad

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Exercise 2 – Write sentences in the present, past or future tense using the words given. Be careful, sometimes you have to change some words.

Nemo / in 2024 / he / the Eurovision / this year / but / NOT participate / win – **past simple**

the organisers / very hard / at the moment / ? / work - **present continuous**

you / your train / arrive / you / if / too late / miss / will – **prediction**

this year / the Eurovision Song Contest 2025 / organize / Basel – **near future**

take place / the Eurovision Contest / every year / ? / - **present simple**

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Total Use of English / 20 pts