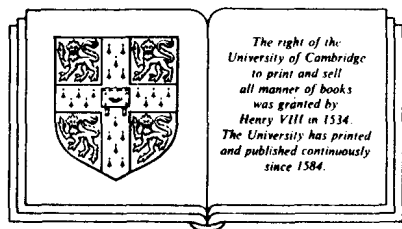


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## Introduction to the student

This book is for students who are preparing to take the Preliminary English Test (PET). It contains five units or practice tests. The first four are based on different topics: hotels, restaurants and accommodation; entertainment; sport and leisure; the media. These units will help you to learn and revise the vocabulary and structures which are covered in your coursebook. The last unit, which is like the 'real' PET, is *not* based on a particular topic. This unit can be used as a final practice test just before you take the examination.

If you work through this book it will help you to recognise the kinds of questions you will have to answer in the examination. There are four parts in each test: reading, writing, listening and speaking, although the oral section of the test is taken separately.

The book is meant to be used in class with a teacher but you can use it if you are working alone to practise the reading, writing and listening parts of the test.

If you are studying by yourself you will need the cassettes, which contain the recordings for the listening part of the test, and the Teacher's Book, which contains the answer Key for all the exercises and the tapescripts of the recordings. You will probably need extra help with the speaking part of the test, so ask a teacher or a native speaker to help you.

We hope that you will enjoy using the book (even if you don't finally take the examination). Good Luck!

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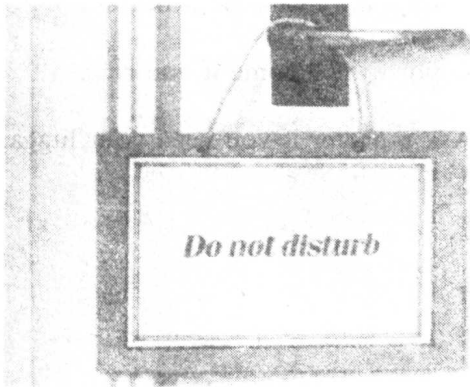
# Unit 1 Hotels, restaurants and accommodation

## READING

### QUESTION 1

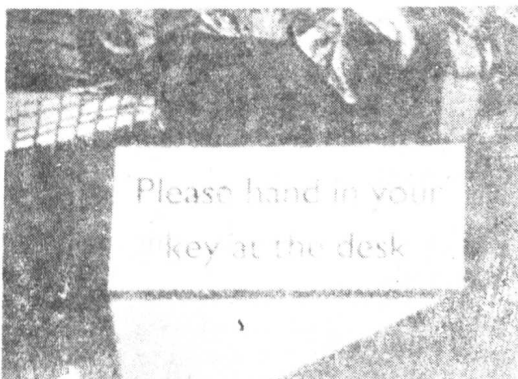
Look at the five pictures of signs below. Someone asks you what each sign means. For each sign put a cross in one of the boxes – like this X – to show the correct answer.

1.



- Go this way.
- Don't close the door.
- Don't go inside.
- Knock and enter.

2.



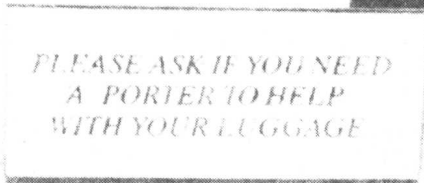
- Don't lock the room.
- Keep your key safe.
- Lock your desk before leaving.
- Leave your key at reception.

3.



- You can only have a meal if you have booked.
- You do not need to reserve a table.
- The restaurant is not open this evening.
- If you wait you will be given a table.

4.



- You must carry your luggage yourself.
- Porters are available if necessary.
- A porter will come if you ring.
- Ask a porter if you need your luggage.

5.



- You cannot bring your luggage into the dining room.
- You must look after your things yourself.
- You should give your things to the manager.
- You should lock things in your suitcase.



## QUESTION 2

Read the article below and circle the letter next to the word that best fits each space.

EXAMPLE: I can strongly ..... this restaurant.

A tell    B try    **C** recommend    D offer

A new restaurant with a difference has opened in the High Street next door to the Royal Theatre in Bristol. It is called 'Starters' and is (1)..... by Carol and Philip Wells who opened a (2)..... restaurant in London last year.

Instead of a traditional three-course (3)....., customers can choose whatever (4)..... want from a list of (5)..... a hundred starters or first courses. The list also

includes recipes from all over the world and customers are recommended to (6)..... at least 3 starters to (7)..... a satisfying meal.

Prices vary depending on what you have, (8)..... it is possible to eat quite cheaply if you (9)..... want to spend a lot of money. The new restaurant is becoming very popular and it's (10)..... to book a table to avoid waiting.

1. A got      B held      C run      D taken
2. A similar    B same      C several    D like
3. A tea      B meal      C food      D plate
4. A you      B he      C they      D we
5. A only      B up      C more      D over
6. A read      B choose    C look      D want
7. A make      B be      C want      D need
8. A so      B then      C unless    D if
9. A do      B can      C don't     D will
10. A well      B best      C great     D fine

QUESTION 3

Look at the advertisement below for the restaurants and then answer the questions.

A

### E

## ‘Round the World’ Dining Room

Leave the grey skies of England behind you for a couple of hours when you step in to try our large range of food from all over the world. Our waiters are only too happy to explain our menu so if you want to try something new, come and see us.

**Open Noon – Midnight**

## The Coffee Shop

Relax in our comfortable chairs and enjoy our excellent fresh coffee, tea and hot chocolate or cooling fruit juices – choose from all sorts of cakes, bread and biscuits baked in our own kitchen. Cooked breakfasts to order until 10a.m.

**Open 06.30 – 18.30**

### B

## Serve Yourself

Eat as much as you can for only £5!! Choose from dozens of delicious soups, salads, cold meats and cheeses. For the younger members of the family we offer reduced prices along with free colouring books and pencils.

**Open Noon – 3 and 5 – 10**

## Eating out at FIVE WAYS

◆

### The choice is yours!

### D

## THE SANDWICH BAR

Your choice of over 50 different fillings for a sandwich made to order!! To drink, choose from delicious hot coffee, a wide selection of top soft drinks or ice cold milk. Our quick service makes this the best place for busy shoppers or anyone short of time!

**Open 9a.m. – 2p.m.**

### C






## The Steak House

Friendly candle-lit restaurant serving traditional British steak suppers as well as French and Italian meals. Choose your own steak for our chef to cook to your personal taste. £15 includes a large selection of fresh vegetables, a sweet course and a drink with your meal.

**Open 7.30p.m. ‘til Midnight**

4

The five groups of people below are hoping to eat at one of the restaurants. Read what each of them says and write the letter A, B, C, D or E in the box next to them to show which restaurant you think they will go to.

Time	People	What they want	Which restaurant?
1. 10:00		'I had to get up early this morning. I'd like to sit and have a cup of tea and a biscuit somewhere quiet and pleasant before I start my shopping.'	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. 12:30		'It's my lunch hour and I'm in a hurry – a glass of milk and a sandwich would be ideal.'	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. 13:30		'One of the best things about being on holiday is that you don't have to rush your meals.' 'And we can take the opportunity to try something new – perhaps a foreign dish?'	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. 17:50		'We're so tired! We've been shopping all day and we're all hungry.' 'Mind you, the children don't eat much – they always start playing around before we've finished.'	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. 21:00		'It's my birthday – I'd really like something special – what about something from abroad?' 'That'd be fun for you but I'd rather not eat foreign food myself.'	<input type="checkbox"/>

QUESTION 4

Lakeshire Tourist Board keeps a list of holiday accommodation in order to be able to advise tourists looking for somewhere to stay in the area.

Here are five of the places they may recommend. Look at the information below and then put a cross in the box for numbers 1-10 if a statement is correct.

**LAKESHIRE TOURIST BOARD**  
**Holiday Accommodation List** ref: CL/AF file: 3A

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Address: Bullock House,  
Great Pannington

Tel. no: 61355  
Owner: Mr and Mrs Stouts (v. friendly)  
Owner's address if non-resident: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel. no: \_\_\_\_\_  
Description: Old stone farmhouse. Beautiful views  
of surrounding hills.

Accommodation available:  
3 bedrooms. All have own shower & TV.  
Children's beds available. Small sitting room for guests' use.

Services:  
Breakfasts; evening meals. (Good home cooking).

Notes: Family home of Stouts for many generations. Opened for guests  
this year. No dogs. No central heating. Limited parking space -  
car owners should check when booking.

**LAKESHIRE TOURIST BOARD**  
**Holiday Accommodation List** ref: CL/AF file: 2A

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Address: Mills Cottage, End Green, Near Pende.

Tel. no: \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner: J. Bright  
Owner's address if non-resident:  
Uppercross, Pende.

Tel. no: 61396  
Description: Former farm cottage.  
Near busy little market town.

Accommodation available:  
Kitchen, living-room, 2 x double bedrooms.  
Bathroom (not very modern!)

Services:  
T.V. in sitting-room  
No heating in bedrooms.  
Large garden with plenty of  
parking space.

Notes: No animals in cottage  
NB Guests provide own sheets and towels

## LAKESHIRE TOURIST BOARD

## Holiday Accommodation List ref: JB/ML file: 3A

Address: GRACE FARM, PENDLE

Tel. no: 61321

Owner: MR &amp; MRS FREELING

Owner's address if non-resident: —

Tel. no: —

Description: 16th century farmhouse

Accommodation available: 2 double bedrooms with private showers.  
Central heating throughout.

Services: Meals: breakfast only. Sandwiches made to order for picnics.

\* Horses can be hired. Fishing in river behind house.

Notes: No dogs.

\* Mrs Freeling will give riding lessons when not too busy.

## LAKESHIRE TOURIST BOARD

## Holiday Accommodation List ref: JB/CL file: 3A

Address: Hollow Castle, Pendlebury

Tel. no: —

Owner: Mr and Mrs Agremont

Owner's address if non-resident: —

Tel. no: 60227

Description: Family home in eighteenth century castle.

Accommodation available:

Several comfortable guest rooms.

Services:

All meals. [Excellent cooking!!]

Notes: Attractive garden with parking space.

Open all year round. No phone. No dogs



<b>LAKESHIRE TOURIST BOARD</b>
<b>Holiday Accommodation List</b> ref: JB/AF file: 1B
Address: <i>Elmslie Grove, Lake Drive, Pendlebury</i>
Tel. no: <i>61296</i>
Owner: <i>Mrs V. Bright</i>
Owner's address if non-resident: <i>—</i>
Tel. no: <i>—</i>
Description: <i>Old country house (Beautiful building overlooking Blue Lake)</i>
Accommodation available: <i>6 double bedrooms. 2 single. (Some with private bathrooms)</i>
Services: <i>Traditional breakfasts and dinners. Children's early suppers available.</i>
Notes: <i>Only a few minutes from Sailing Club. Popular with fishermen and walkers. Many guests return regularly every year. (Early booking essential) well-behaved dogs accepted.</i>

1. All these places have telephones.
2. There is a large garage for guests' cars at Bullock House.
3. Mills Cottage is suitable for four people.
4. Elmslie Grove was opened to guests last year.
5. Bullock House is suitable for families.
6. Mills Cottage is a long way from any shops.
7. You can see the Blue Lake from Elmslie Grove.
8. Hollow Castle is older than Grace Farm.
9. Mrs Freeling sometimes gives riding lessons to guests.
10. The Agremonts provide lunch if you want it.

## QUESTION 5

Read this passage and then answer the questions below. You must put a cross in the correct box or write in a few words.

I must tell you about our holiday this year – it was one of the best we'd ever had. No, we weren't staying in an expensive hotel, but a youth hostel! I know what you're thinking: we must've gone mad. But we haven't – I just wish we'd discovered youth hostels years ago. Now that I'm back at university again luxury hotels are a thing of the past, and I was complaining about this one day to a friend who said that she and her family never stayed anywhere but hostels. I had no idea that hostels could be anything from a cottage to a castle. I mean where else do you get to stay in a castle! In fact there are four different grades – simple, standard, superior and special so you pay an overnight charge according to the kind of hostel you stay at. You can't stay more than three nights at a time but that didn't bother us because we wanted a touring holiday. Basically you look after yourself although most hostels do breakfast and some of them offer an evening meal if you arrive early enough. There are a few rules like having to be in by 11 p.m. in the evening and out by 10 a.m. in the morning but otherwise you're free to do what you want. Now I really believe that the best thing about this whole holiday was meeting so many different and interesting people. I used to think hostels were only for the young and noisy, but not any more. You can't imagine what a variety there was! Anyway, what are you all doing next year?

1. This text is from  a diary.  
 a letter.  
 a magazine.  
 a poster.
2. What is the writer trying to do?  to give directions  
 to offer instructions  
 to make complaints  
 to give information
3. Why didn't the writer stay in a hotel?



4. What did the writer most enjoy about her holiday?

.....  
.....

5. Only one of these people will choose to stay in a Youth Hostel. Show which one you think it will be by circling the letter A, B, C or D.

A I cook for my family all the year round, and although I enjoy doing it, I really don't want to have to provide any meals when I'm on holiday especially as I plan to go out and enjoy myself, dancing the night away!

B I've worked hard for many years and now I've got a bit of free time I aim to see as many different places as possible. If I can save on the cost of accommodation, I'll have more to spend on train or bus fares.

C We want an opportunity to meet different sorts of people and get to know them so thought we'd spend a couple of weeks relaxing in one place – our jobs mean moving about so much that it would be nice not to carry a suitcase for a fortnight!

D I'm a student and I don't have a lot of money to spare. I don't like getting cold and wet though, so if the weather isn't good I'll just make myself a pot of coffee and stay in all day reading an exciting book.



## WRITING

### QUESTION 6

*Here are some sentences about a café called Checkers. Finish the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first.*

EXAMPLE: The café belongs to Jane.

*It's Jane's café.*

1. Checkers was opened in 1984 by Jane Williams.

Jane Williams.....

2. The café has a lot of tables.

There.....

3. You'll avoid waiting by booking a table in advance.

If.....

4. You have to pay about £10 for a three-course meal.

A three-course meal.....

5. The café is considered to be very good.

Everyone.....