

Please stick your Candidate label here

For Office Use:

---

# Anglia Examination Syndicate (England)

---

## Listening Examination

---

### Proficiency Level – Paper A

---

**2006**

**Candidates should answer ALL questions.**

**Instructions to Candidates**

This paper requires you to listen to a selection of recorded material and answer the accompanying questions.  
There are FOUR parts to the test and each part will be heard twice. There will be a pause before each part to allow you to read the questions, and other pauses to let you think about your answers. When you hear this tone you should write your answers on the question paper.  
Write clearly in the numbered spaces. The tape will now be stopped. You must ask any questions now, as you will not be allowed to speak during the test.

CHICHESTER COLLEGE, WESTGATE FIELDS, CHICHESTER, WEST SUSSEX, PO19 1SB, ENGLAND.

© Anglia Examination Syndicate Ltd. Reg in England Co No. 2046325

These materials may not be altered or reproduced, stored in any retrieval system or transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic, electrical, chemical, optical, photocopying, recording or otherwise without the prior permission of the copyright owner.

For Examiner's Use Only			
Part One	Part Two	Part Three	Part Four

**PART 1 (20 marks)**

**Listen to the tape and fill in the missing words in the text below.**

I'm Stephen Lacey and I have been \_\_\_\_\_(1) old radiators and other old and interesting furniture from my shop, *Renaissance*, for fifteen years. I sell everything from \_\_\_\_\_(2) sixteenth century chairs and tables to doors, cupboards and \_\_\_\_\_(3) from bankrupt shops in London. I have made a healthy \_\_\_\_\_(4) out of understanding the value of things most people would throw away. I am successful enough to have many famous celebrities and politicians as my \_\_\_\_\_(5) customers.

It all began in the 1970s when I was unemployed so got a job stripping the \_\_\_\_\_(6) off doors. I loved it so much I did two fireplaces and sold them for two hundred pounds. It was the most money I'd ever had and it \_\_\_\_\_(7) gratifying to know I'd made it by myself for myself. I think it was also then that I realised I \_\_\_\_\_(8) working for someone else and that I wanted to be self-sufficient. Within a year I had my own business. It was \_\_\_\_\_(9) then, but it was mine!

I love rescuing old \_\_\_\_\_(10) I find. For me it's a pleasurable game. I buy it in a terrible condition, you know completely wrecked and worthless-looking, then take it away and work really \_\_\_\_\_(11) on it, really \_\_\_\_\_(12) time making it look valuable. It's tough but it gives me such a buzz to see someone else fall in \_\_\_\_\_(13) with it.

My job has its down side too. Sometimes people ask me to remove a really \_\_\_\_\_(14) radiator or fireplace from a room, and it should be there, it should stay where it belongs. It \_\_\_\_\_(15) my heart to do it, but if I can sell it to someone who'll appreciate it then I try to \_\_\_\_\_(16) myself it's the appropriate thing to do.

I \_\_\_\_\_(17) to buy a lot of pieces in France and bring them back here to sell; there are literally hundreds of old farmhouses and chateaux around the \_\_\_\_\_(18) with some unbelievable gems hiding in them. The French have a real \_\_\_\_\_(19) for design. It used to be a free-for-all! Nowadays though, you have to have a special \_\_\_\_\_(20) with a photograph of what you're buying to prove it's legally obtained.

**PART 2 (6 marks)**

**For questions one to six listen to the tape and tick (✓) the correct box.**

1. When is the office open?

- A Every day
- B Weekends only
- C Monday to Friday

2. Why are there no direct trains to Birmingham on Sunday?

- A The train is being changed.
- B Coventry station is closed.
- C The track is being repaired.

3. When will there be lots of people travelling to London?

- A In the morning
- B In the afternoon
- C In the evening

4. How are the ticket prices for open-top buses set?

- A They are guaranteed to very low.
- B They rise during the summer period.
- C They are the same as other buses.

5. How much longer is the Travelcard offer available?

- A 1 year
- B 2 weeks
- C 3 months

6. What do passengers need to do to use the extra bus services?

- A Have a plane ticket.
- B Book a seat well in advance.
- C Buy a timetable before the closing date.

**PART 3 (14 marks)**

**You are going to hear someone reading the news. You will hear the news headlines, followed by the news in detail.**

**From the information you hear, you must tick whether the statements are true or false.**

**Remember that to be true. A statement must be correct in every detail, according to what you hear.**

	<b>True</b>	<b>False</b>
1. Tents were washed away.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. People are enjoying themselves at the festival.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Books are the most important purchases.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. More boys than girls buy on the Internet.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. 61% say Internet shopping is difficult.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. The hamster died.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Patrick Henderson is a journalist.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. The advert is for an alcoholic drink.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. The advert contained abusive language.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. The advert must only be shown late evening	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. The winner speeded up at the end of the race.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. It was easy to see who won the race.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. The pound had a good day at the stock market.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. It will be a dry day for most people.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**PART 4 (10 marks)**

For questions 1 to 10, tick (✓) which you think is the correct answer, A, B or C.

1.	Yes, thank you.	A	
	Yes, I do.	B	
	Yes, it is.	C	

6.	No, I'm sorry.	A	
	No, I'm not.	B	
	No, it won't.	C	

2.	Don't mention it.	A	
	Don't have a clue.	B	
	Don't want to.	C	

7.	Yes, I will.	A	
	Yes, it has.	B	
	Yes, a bit.	C	

3.	Yes, we do.	A	
	Yes, it does.	B	
	Yes, I am.	C	

8.	Neither am I.	A	
	Me too.	B	
	So are you.	C	

4.	So can I.	A	
	Neither can I.	B	
	I'm not, either.	C	

9.	I have.	A	
	I like to.	B	
	I'd love to	C	

5	It might.	A	
	It was.	B	
	I don't.	C	

10.	I won't.	A	
	I do.	B	
	I think so.	C	