



ZUEB SSC A- English Language

Paper 2: Listening Exam

Total 20 Marks

Duration: 50 Minutes

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Do not start this paper until you are told to do so.
- Read each question thoroughly
- Now Listen carefully to the recording
- Write your answers while listening, in the space provided.
- If you miss any answer move ahead you will get a chance to listen again
- You must ask any questions now as you cannot speak during the Test.
- Answer ALL questions when the recording stops.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets.
- Listen again to check your answers.

Question 1 (6 marks)

Listen to three short recordings. Answer each question with no more than three words and/or a number.

1. From which platform does the Lahore train leave?
..... [1]
2. What will be closed during the first hour of the journey?
..... [1]
3. How many times can you enter your PIN incorrectly?
..... [1]
4. What number should you call to unlock your account?
..... [1]
5. How much do Bluetooth headphones cost?
..... [1]
6. How long is the warranty on the headphones?
..... [1]

Question 2 (7 marks)

Listen to a school assembly announcement. Choose the correct answer A, B or C.

7. The robotics team was led by: A. A Year 10 student B. Fatima Ahmed
C. A teacher
..... [1]
8. Where will the National Finals take place? A. Quetta B. Lahore C. Islamabad
..... [1]
9. How often did the team meet for practice? A. Once a week B. Twice a week C. Every
day
..... [1]
10. Fatima has been at school for: A. Six months B. Two years C. Three years
..... [1]
11. The National Finals are on: A. March 5th B. March 15th C. March 25th
..... [1]
12. How long did the team spend building their robot? A. Four months B. Six months C.
Eight months
..... [1]
13. What time did the team usually finish their practice sessions? A. 5 PM B. 6 PM C. 7 PM
..... [1]

Question 3 (7 marks)

Listen to a radio interview with Dr. Hassan Ali. Complete the notes using words you hear. Write one or two words only in each gap.

Marine Biology Research Notes

Dr. Hassan Ali studies (14)_____ near Gwadar. [1]

Some coral species are adapting to (15)_____ water temperatures. [1]

The research project lasted (16)_____ years. [1]

Only about (17)_____ % of coral species can adapt in this way. [1]

The research team used underwater (18)_____ and temperature sensors. [1]

These adaptable corals can survive in water that's (19)_____ degrees warmer than normal. [1]

Dr. Ali emphasizes that we still need to reduce (20)_____ emissions urgently. [1]

Total: 20 marks

Audio Scripts for Reference

Exercise 1 Scripts:

Recording 1 (Train Announcement): "Assalam-o-Alaikum passengers. The 9:15 Karachi Express to Lahore will depart from Platform 3. Please note that the dining car will be closed for the first hour of the journey due to staff shortages. Shukria for your patience."

Recording 2 (Mobile Banking App): "Welcome to HBL mobile banking app. After entering your PIN incorrectly three times, your account will be temporarily locked. To unlock it, simply call our helpline on 111-111-425 or visit any HBL branch with valid CNIC."

Recording 3 (Shopping Conversation): Customer: "Excuse me, do you have any wireless headphones under 5000 rupees?" Assistant: "Yes bhai, we have these Bluetooth ones for 3500 rupees, and they come with a two-year warranty. Would you like to try them?"

Exercise 2 Script:

Principal speaking: "Assalam-o-Alaikum everyone. I'm delighted to announce that our school's robotics team, led by Year 11 student Fatima Ahmed, has won first place in the Punjab Science Competition. They'll now represent our province at the National Finals in Islamabad next month.

The team spent six months building their robot, which can sort recycling materials automatically. Fatima tells me they worked every Tuesday and Thursday after school, often staying until 6 PM.

What makes this achievement even more special is that Fatima only joined our school two years ago from Quetta, and she had to adjust to studying in English. Now she's one of our top students and a brilliant team leader.

The National Finals will take place on March 15th, and we're planning a bus trip for supporters."

Exercise 3 Script:

Radio Interview: Presenter: "I'm here with Dr. Hassan Ali, a marine biologist studying coral reefs along Pakistan's coastline. Hassan sahib, tell us about your recent discovery."

Dr. Hassan Ali: "Well, we've found that certain coral reefs near Gwadar are actually adapting to warmer water temperatures. This is quite surprising because most coral reefs are dying due to climate change."

Presenter: "How long did this research take?"

Dr. Hassan Ali: "Three years of continuous monitoring. We used underwater cameras and temperature sensors. The data shows these corals can survive in water that's 2 degrees warmer than normal."

Presenter: "What does this mean for ocean conservation in Pakistan?"

Dr. Hassan Ali: "It gives us hope, but we still need to reduce carbon emissions urgently. These adaptable corals are rare - maybe only 5% of all coral species have this ability."