

## ACADEMIC YEAR 2023–2024

Program	Term	Semester	Paper
<b>FOUNDATION</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>MAIN</b>
<b>MODULE NAME:</b>	<b>ENGLISH INTERMEDIATE</b>		
<b>MODULE CODE:</b>	<b>FENG002</b>	<b>EXAM DATE:</b>	<b>06/02/2024</b>
<b>TEACHER'S NAME:</b>	<b>Anil</b>	<b>DURATION:</b>	<b>2 hrs.</b>

Questions to be answered on:	Allowed requirements	Number of pages
Space provided on the question paper	Pen	(Incl. Cover Page): 9

### Points of Attention:

- For each question, the maximum earned points are mentioned between brackets at the end of each question.
- Write very clearly! Answers that are not readable are not marked and don't get points!
- Make sure your answers are written to the point.
- All answers must be written **in English**.
- Write all the answers **in blue or black pen only**.
- When finished, submit the question paper, together with the answer scripts and the signed cover page to the invigilator.
- Any cheating/copying may fail the examination.

<b>STUDENT NAME:</b>		<b>10</b>
<b>STUDENT ID:</b>		
<b>CLASS:</b>		<b>40</b>

Listening (15)	Reading (15)	Language (30)	Writing (20)	Total (80)

## LISTENING

(15 Marks)

### Part 1

**Task 1.** Listen to two teachers talking about the coming excursion of their language class.

Complete the notes below. Write **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS AND / OR A NUMBER** for each answer. (6 marks)

#### School Excursion

**Day** Wednesday

**Destination** 1. \_\_\_\_\_

**Weather** 2. \_\_\_\_\_

**Arrival time** 3. \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Activities Planned**

See 4. \_\_\_\_\_

Eat catered lunch

Attend 5. \_\_\_\_\_

Return time 6. \_\_\_\_\_

**Task 2.** Complete the table below. Write **ONE WORD** only for each answer.

(4 marks)

Nationality	Percentage (%)
1. _____	26
2. _____	25
3. _____	16
Indonesian	15
4. _____	8
Saudi	7
Other	3

## Part 2

**Task 3. Listen to a travel agent explaining the benefits of her company. Circle the correct answer. (5 marks)**

1. The company deals mostly with \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. big cities  
B. nature holidays  
C. Nepal
  
2. The overseas consultants mainly deal with \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. Asia  
B. North America  
C. Europe
  
3. For deserts and gorges, customers should come \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. in the morning  
B. in the afternoon  
C. at night
  
4. Trips to regional locations are good because \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. the buses are comfortable  
B. there is a shortage of suitcases  
C. they can be seen quickly
  
5. SleekLine buses are particularly known for their \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. service  
B. size  
C. comfort

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## **READING**

**(15 Marks)**

**Read the article carefully and answer the questions given below.**

### **The History of Pencil**

The beginning of the story of pencils started with a lightning. Graphite, the main material for producing pencil, was discovered in 1564 in Borrowdale in England when a lightning struck a local tree during a thunder. Local people found out that the black material marked at the root of the unlucky tree was different from the burning ash of wood. It was soft, thus left marks everywhere and it was soon put to use by locals in marking their sheep for ownership and calculation.

Britain turns out to be a major country where mines of graphite can be detected and developed. Even so, the first pencil was invented elsewhere. As graphite is soft, it requires some form of encasement. In Italy, graphite sticks were initially wrapped in string or sheepskin for stability, becoming perhaps the very first pencil in the world. Then around 1560, an Italian couple made what are likely the first blueprints for the modern, wood-encased carpentry pencil. Their version was a flat, oval, more compact type of pencil.

Although graphite core in pencils is still referred to as lead, modern pencils do not contain lead as the “lead” of the pencil is actually a mix of finely ground graphite and clay powders. This mixture is important because the amount of clay content added to the graphite depends on the intended pencil hardness, and the amount of time spent on grinding the mixture determines the quality of the lead. The more clay you put in, the higher hardness the core has. Many pencils across the world, and almost all in Europe, are graded on the European system.

In England, pencils continue to be made from graphite. But with the mass production of pencils, they are getting drastically more popular in many countries with each passing decade. As demands rise, demand for graphite soars.

That the United States did not use pencils in the outer space till they spent \$1000 to make a pencil to use in zero gravity conditions is in fact a fiction. It is widely known that astronauts in Russia used grease pencils, which don't have breakage problem. But it is also a fact that their counterparts in the United States used pencils in the outer space before real zero gravity pencil was invented. They preferred mechanical pencils, which produced fine line, much clearer than the smudgy lines left by the grease pencils that Russians favored. But despite the fact that the Americans did invent zero gravity pencils later, they stuck to mechanical pencils for many years.

Against the backcloth of a digitalized world, the future of pencils seems hopeless. In reality, it does not. The application of pencils has by now become so widespread that they can be seen everywhere, such as classrooms, meeting rooms and art rooms, etc. Many users are likely to continue to use it into the future: students to do math works, artists to draw on sketch pads, waiters or waitresses to mark on order boards, make-up professionals to apply to faces, and architects to produce blueprints. The possibilities seem limitless (Mini IELTS, n.d.).

**Task 1. Read the statements. Write T if the statement is True, F if the statement is False or NI if there is No Information.** **(6 marks)**

1. Italy is probably the first country in the whole world to make pencils.
2. Germany used various kinds of wood to make pencils.
3. Graphite makes a pencil harder and sharper.
4. In Britain, pencils are not produced anymore.
5. American astronauts did not use pencils in outer space.
6. Pencils are likely to be used in the future.

**Task 2. Complete the sentences below. Choose *ONE WORD ONLY* from the passage to complete the summary.** **(7 marks)**

Graphite was found under a 1. \_\_\_\_\_ in Borrowdale, it was dirty to use because it was 2. \_\_\_\_\_. Ancient people used graphite to mark their 3. \_\_\_\_\_. People found graphite 4. \_\_\_\_\_ in Britain. The first pencil was graphite wrapped in 5. \_\_\_\_\_ or animal skin. Since graphite was too smooth, 6. \_\_\_\_\_ was added to make it harder. Russian astronauts preferred 7. \_\_\_\_\_ pencils to write in the outer space (Mini IELTS, n.d.).

**Task 3. Answer the questions with *NO MORE THAN FOUR WORDS*.** **(2 marks)**

1. Who invented zero-gravity pencils?

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2. How does the future of the pencil look in reality?

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## LANGUAGE

(30 Marks)

**Task 1. Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.** (6 marks)

Maryam and her family 1. \_\_\_\_\_ (be) to Malaysia twice. They 2. \_\_\_\_\_ (like) its tourist attractions when they were there. However, Maryam's father 3. \_\_\_\_\_ (believe) that they should travel to another country next time, so he 4. \_\_\_\_\_ (plan) to discuss this point with his family soon. If everyone 5. \_\_\_\_\_ (agree), they will travel to Turkey next time. Maryam's family thinks that they 6. \_\_\_\_\_ (have) a good time in their next trip.

**Task 2. Underline the mistake and write the correct form.**

(0.5 marks for underlining and 0.5 marks for correct answer – 4 marks)

1. Some people can't stand wait in the queues.

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2. He use to ride a bicycle when he was a child.

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3. People can live more cheap in other parts of the town.

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4. Ahmed should to spend some time to finish the project.

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**Task 3. Use the given words and phrases to make meaningful and grammatically correct sentences / questions.** (0.5 marks for Grammar and 0.5 marks for Meaning – 5 marks)

1. learn / not have to

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2. our co-worker / last month

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3. students / not / at this moment

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4. probably / not / next week

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5. your teacher / just / have?

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**Task 4. Circle the correct answer.**

**(5 marks)**

1. Drivers need to \_\_\_\_\_ their speed to avoid accidents.  
 A. increase      B. reduce      C. take up      D. cut down on
2. Using different \_\_\_\_\_ helps you learn better.  
 A. techniques      B. course      C. meaning      D. result
3. \_\_\_\_\_ students will be invited to competitions to show their new designs.  
 A. Pride      B. Cheerful      C. Effective      D. Creative
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ is friendly and pleasant.  
 A. residents      B. neighbors      C. atmosphere      D. attractions
5. Attending workshops was \_\_\_\_\_ for the students. They learned and had fun simultaneously  
 A. beneficial      B. economic      C. realistic      D. energetic

**Task 5. Write *ONE* correct collocation in front of each number. Two words are extra. (5 marks)**

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1. \_\_\_\_\_ an apprentice

2. \_\_\_\_\_ a speech

3. \_\_\_\_\_ at school

4. \_\_\_\_\_ a fortune

5. \_\_\_\_\_ space

**Task 6. Make a meaningful sentence using the word in *italics* with any ONE of the two words in bracket.** *(0.5 marks for Grammar and 0.5 marks for Meaning – 5 mark)*

0. *carefully* (adv.) – (study / students)

*The students listened to the teacher carefully.*

1. *feel like* (phr.) – (food / paint)

2. *refuse* (v.) – (invitation / quickly)

3. *pollution* (n.) – (air / unhealthy)

4. *financial* (adj.) – (problem / face)

5. *challenge* (n.) – (get / hard)

### MLO & Bloom's Level of Complexity

Q #	MLO Addressed	Complexity Level	Mark	Remark
L. 1	2	Understanding/ Analysing	6	
L. 2	2	Understanding/ Analysing	4	
L. 4	2	Understanding/ Analysing	5	
R. 1	2	Understanding/ Analysing	6	
R. 2	3	Analysing	7	
R. 3	2	Understanding/ Analysing	2	
La. 1	4	Evaluating	6	
La. 2	1	Understanding	4	
La. 3	5	Creating	5	
La. 4	3	Analysing	5	
La. 5	1	Understanding	5	
La. 6	1	Creating	5	
W. 1	5	Creating	20	

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