

THE PRACTICE COLLECTION

USE OF ENGLISH.

B2

Practice test 18

Focused practice. Precise English.
Build confidence, one part at a time.

04 Focused parts	30 Questions	✓ Answer key included
----------------------------	------------------------	--------------------------

INSIDE THIS PAPER

01 Multiple-choice cloze	Questions 1–8
02 Open cloze	Questions 9–16
03 Word formation	Questions 17–24
04 Key word transformations	Questions 25–30

Name

Date

PART 1 · QUESTIONS 1-8

MULTIPLE-CHOICE CLOZE

01

The value of short breaks

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 1-8, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap.

The value of short breaks

When people are busy, taking a break can seem like a waste of time. Research into attention, however, suggests that pauses may help people remain effective during long work or study.

A useful break does not have to (1) _____ for very long. Even a few minutes away from a demanding task can give the mind a chance to recover. The point is to (2) _____ attention from the activity rather than keep thinking about it. Standing up, getting some water or looking outside may be enough to provide a change of (3) _____, although breaks are less effective if they turn into long interruptions. It can (4) _____ be helpful to decide in advance when to return to work. People also differ in how often they need to pause, so there is little (5) _____ in following someone else's routine exactly. The aim is to find a pattern that allows concentration to be (6) _____ over time. Once a suitable rhythm has been (7) _____, short breaks can become part of the working day without getting (8) _____ the way of progress.

CHOOSE A, B, C OR D

No.	A	B	C	D
1	stay	remain	keep	last
2	shift	push	carry	lift
3	place	position	scene	view
4	nevertheless	therefore	moreover	otherwise
5	reason	benefit	purpose	point
6	held	saved	maintained	stored
7	established	formed	made	built
8	on	in	at	to

PART 2 · QUESTIONS 9–16

OPEN CLOZE

02

Football at a Walking Pace

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 9–16, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap.

Write your answers in capital letters.

Football at a Walking Pace

Walking football was created for people who wanted to keep playing the sport without the physical demands of running.

The basic rules are similar to football, except that players must keep at least one foot on the ground. Anyone who starts running may give (9) _____ a free kick to the other team. The slower pace means that people who have not exercised for years can take (10) _____ without feeling exhausted. It also reduces, though does not remove, the risk (11) _____ injury.

Teams often include players of different ages and experience. What matters most is being able to pass accurately and know (12) _____ to move into space intelligently. Matches can still become competitive, even (13) _____ nobody is sprinting. Many clubs place as much emphasis on the social side (14) _____ on the result. Players may stay for coffee and get to know people they might not otherwise have met. For some, the game has turned (15) _____ to be a way of rebuilding confidence as well as fitness. It shows that sport does not have to be fast (16) _____ be enjoyable.

YOUR ANSWERS

9	_____	10	_____
11	_____	12	_____
13	_____	14	_____
15	_____	16	_____

PART 3 · QUESTIONS 17–24

WORD FORMATION

03

Reusing Old Buildings

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 17–24, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals to form a word that fits each gap. Write your answers in capital letters.

Reusing Old Buildings

When factories, old schools or stores are no longer needed for their first purpose, knocking them down is not the only option. Architects often adapt such buildings for homes, offices or arts spaces, especially in areas where spare land is hard to find. This approach can preserve a neighbourhood's (17) _____ character while cutting building waste. It can also be more environmentally (18) _____ than replacing a sound structure.

Conversion projects often need great (19) _____, as old buildings were designed for very different uses. Large windows may help, but poor insulation can create (20) _____ problems. Designers also have to meet modern standards of safety and (21) _____ for people with disabilities. When these challenges are handled well, the results can be highly (22) _____. Old materials give new spaces a sense of (23) _____ that can be hard to copy in a new building. For many cities, reuse offers an attractive mix of conservation and (24) _____.

No.	Base word	Your answer
17	DISTINCT	_____
18	RESPONSIBILITY	_____
19	IMAGINE	_____
20	PRACTICE	_____
21	ACCESS	_____
22	SUCCESS	_____
23	AUTHENTIC	_____
24	INNOVATE	_____

PART 4 · QUESTIONS 25-30

KEY WORD TRANSFORMATIONS

04

Key Word Transformations – B2 Test 18

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 25–30, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. Use between two and five words, including the word given.

- 25 We will have to tolerate the noise until the repairs are finished.

PUT

We will have to _____ until the repairs are finished.

- 26 Last year was the first time I visited Lisbon.

NEVER

Before last year, I _____ Lisbon.

- 27 Mina completed the course before she applied for the job.

UNTIL

Mina did not apply for the job _____ the course.

- 28 We decided not to travel during the strike.

DECISION

We _____ travel during the strike.

- 29 This book is less interesting than the previous one.

MORE

The previous book was _____ this one.

- 30 Every seat in the hall was occupied.

AVAILABLE

There _____ in the hall.

Before checking: read each complete sentence again and check the meaning, grammar and word count.

PRACTICE TEST 18 · REVIEW

ANSWER KEY



Accepted answers are shown where more than one form is valid.

01 MULTIPLE-CHOICE CLOZE

- | | | | |
|-------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1 D · last | 2 A · shift | 3 C · scene | 4 B · therefore |
| 5 D · point | 6 C · maintained | 7 A · established | 8 B · in |

02 OPEN CLOZE

- 9 AWAY
- 10 PART
- 11 OF
- 12 HOW
- 13 THOUGH
- 14 AS
- 15 OUT
- 16 TO

03 WORD FORMATION

- 17 DISTINCTIVE
- 18 RESPONSIBLE
- 19 IMAGINATION
- 20 PRACTICAL
- 21 ACCESSIBILITY
- 22 SUCCESSFUL
- 23 AUTHENTICITY
- 24 INNOVATION

04 KEY WORD TRANSFORMATIONS

- 25 PUT UP WITH IT
- 26 HAD NEVER VISITED / HAD NEVER BEEN TO
- 27 UNTIL SHE HAD COMPLETED / UNTIL SHE COMPLETED
- 28 MADE A DECISION NOT TO
- 29 MORE INTERESTING THAN
- 30 WERE NO SEATS AVAILABLE

YOUR NEXT STEP · OPTIONAL TUTORING

GET 50% OFF
YOUR FIRST PREPLY LESSON.

Want help with the patterns you missed? Find an English tutor on Preply and bring this paper to your lesson.

[FIND A TUTOR ON PREPLY ↗](#)

Scan or click

Affiliate link: we may earn a commission if you book through this link. Your practice material stays free. preply.sjv.io/YVRGPm