

These sample tests have been written to closely replicate the Cambridge C1 exam experience and so each one follows the same structure and wording as official test papers.

Each print-ready test comprises:

Part 1: Multiple choice cloze Part 2: Open cloze Part 3: Word formation Part 4: Key word transformations

Write-in answer sheets, answer keys and a markscheme complete this large bank of high-quality practice material for students preparing for the Cambridge C1 Advanced (CAE).

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Part 1

Multiple choice

Test 1

For questions 1–8, read the text below and decide which answer best fits each gap. In the separate answer sheet, mark the appropriate answer (A, B, C or D).

The world's happiest country

For the past three years, Norway has been **(1)**_____ number one in the UN's World Happiness Report – the list of the happiest countries in the world.

In 2017, Norway (2) ______ Denmark because of its sense of community, education system, work–life balance and the personal freedoms its citizens enjoy. (3) ______ some parts of the country not getting any sunlight for a large part of the year, the Norwegians suggest that their 'hygge' lifestyle – a feeling of contentment and well-being through the simple things in life – is one of the reasons for their success. Their generous parental leave and flexibility at work gives them time to (4) ______ their personal interests, and the country is also (5) ______ considered one of the best in the world in which to be a mother and a working woman. There is (6) ______ no gender pay gap, and there are free childcare places for all children over the age of one.

So, what other countries made the Top 10? Denmark, Norway and Finland were next, followed by The Netherlands and Switzerland. Further (7)______, New Zealand, Canada and Australia took spots 8, 9 and 10. In fact, each of these countries has something in common, and analysts believe this might have something to do with the level of happiness displayed among their citizens. Each country has a relatively small population compared to its size, and lots of tranquil, almost untouched outdoor spaces that provide enough room for people to (8)_____ and find their own corner of paradise.

1	Α	ranked	В	numbered	С	placed	D	put
2	Α	kicked out	В	knocked	С	displaced	D	removed
3	Α	Although	В	However	С	But	D	Despite
4	Α	pursue	В	chase	С	undertake	D	follow
5	Α	highly	В	widely	С	slightly	D	nearly
6	Α	only	В	almost	С	still	D	yet
7	Α	ahead	В	distance	С	ashore	D	afield
8	Α	stock up	в	make room	С	spread out	D	lay out

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Part 2

Open cloze

Test 1

For questions 9–16, read the text below and decide which word best fits each gap. Use only one word for each gap. In the separate answer sheet, write your answers in capital letters, using one box per letter.

Las Fallas

Las Fallas is the one of the biggest street festivals in Europe and is held annually in Valencia, Spain's third-largest city.

The festivities occur throughout the month of March and include daily firework displays known (9)______ *La Mascleta*, and traditional Valencian costumes (10)______ display, worn by local *falleras* (females) and *falleros* (males). One of the best things about the festival is the unveiling of the cartoon-like installations, (11)______ every *barrio*, or area, has designed and made. Some depict satirical scenes, political figures or even romantic stories. On March 19th each year, (12)______ installation is set on fire, except one – the 14-metre- high Virgin Mary statue in one of Valencia's main squares. Here, flowers are offered to her (13)______ what is called *La Ofrenda*. This flowery figure remains in one piece for two-three weeks after Las Fallas ends.

The origins of the festival are uncertain, but it's thought to **(14)**______ come from the ancient tradition of starting fires to celebrate the change of seasons. The first written record to mention Fallas is from the second half of the 18th century, **(15)**_____ the Valencian government made laws governing where fires could be set.

By the morning after *La Crema*, the final night of the Las Fallas celebration, everything will have **(16)** meticulously cleaned up, leaving no trace of the festival ever happening ... until the next year.

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Part 3

Word formation

Test 1

For questions 17–24, use the stem word on the right to form the correct word that fills each gap. In the separate answer sheet, write your answers in capital letters, using one box per letter.

Mudlarking

An unusual hobby for some, mudlarking – looking for rare objects next to a tidal river – is becoming							
(17) popular. The number of	INCREASE						
people requesting (18) from	PERMIT						
the Port Authority of London to do this reached new							
highs last year. A recent survey has shown that							
(19) are seeing their hobby as	ENTHUSE						
a way to (20) and recycle old	USE						
treasures, but, recently, many mudlarkers have seen a							
(21) number of plastic bottles,	WORRY						
wet wipes, and plastic bags on the river banks; the							
(22) signature of today's	MISTAKE						
throwaway society.							
When the tide goes out, the top layer of shingle							
appears through a patch of mud. Often, a variety of							
washed up artefacts are revealed. Some may be of							

appears through a patch of mud. Often, a variety of washed-up artefacts are revealed. Some may be of historical (23)______, but most are simply bits of unused, old junk. However, some of the more valuable items recently discovered on the banks of the River Thames include Victorian china, 16thcentury clay pipe bowls, Medieval pots and Roman roof tiles. From these items, mudlarkers believe they can find out more about their city and raise (24)_____ of the issues that many of our rivers are facing – waste and plastic pollution.

Test 1

For questions 25–30, complete the second sentence, using the word given, so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Do not change the word provided and use between three and six words in total. In the separate answer sheet, write your answers in capital letters, using one box per letter.

25	The letter said we didn't have to reply.			
	OBLIGATION			
	We were reply to the letter.			
00	Mada and in London in more land the more based in David			
26	My house in London is much smaller than my house in Paris.			
	NEARLY			
	My house in London is my house in Paris.			
27	They'll blame the failure of the experiment on the lack of research.			
	DOWN			
	The failure of the experiment the lack of research.			
28	If I hadn't had your help, I would've failed my driving test.			
	FOR			
	Had it, I would've failed my driving test.			
29	It's impossible you saw Max last night, because he was with me!			
	HAVE			
	You last night, because he was with me!			
30	I tried so hard to stop him interfering in our lives, but I couldn't.			
	PREVENT			
	I couldn't in our lives.			

Answer sheet: Cambridge C1 Advanced Use of English	Test No.
	Mark out of 36
Name	Date
Part 1: Multiple choice	8 marks
Mark the appropriate answer (A, B, C or D).	
1 A B C D 5 A B C	
2 A B C D 6 A B C	
3 A B C D 7 A B C	
4 A B C D 8 A B C	
Part 2: Open cloze	8 marks
Nrite your answers in capital letters, using one bo	ox per letter.
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Part 3: Word formation

8 marks

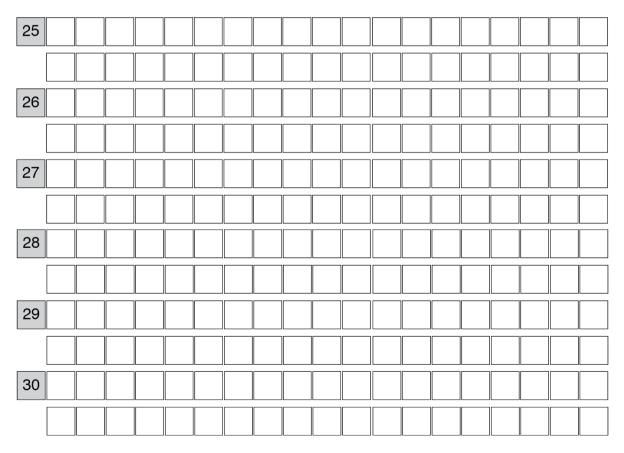
Write your answers in capital letters, using one box per letter.

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24					

Part 4: Key word transformation

12 marks

Write your answers in capital letters, using one box per letter.



Part 1: Multiple choice					
1	Α	ranked	5	в	widely
2	с	displaced	6	в	almost
3	D	despite	7	D	afield
4	Α	pursue	8	С	spread out

Part	Part 2: Open cloze				
9	as	13	in		
10	on	14	have		
11	which / that	15	when		
12	each	16	been		

Part 3: Word formation					
17	increasingly	21	worrying		
18	permission / permits	22	unmistakable		
19	enthusiasts	23	significance		
20	reuse	24	awareness		

Part	Part 4: Key word transformation					
25	under no obligation	to				
26	not nearly	as big as / as large as				
27	will be put down	to				
28	not been for	your help				
29	can't have	seen Max				
30	prevent him from	interfering				