Oxford Placement Test 2
Grammar Test  PART 1

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Total Listening ............... / 100
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Look at these examples. The correct answer is ticked.

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b. If it is very hot, they sit at under the shade.

Now the test will begin. Tick the correct answers.

1. Water is freezing freezes at a temperature of 0°C.
2. In some countries there is it is dark all the time in winter.
3. In hot countries people wear light clothes for keeping to keep for to keep cool.
4. In Madeira they have the good good a good weather almost all year.
5. Most Mediterranean countries are more warm the more warm warmer in October than in April.
6. Parts of Australia don't have the some any rain for long periods.
7. In the Arctic and Antarctic it is there is it has a lot of snow.
8. Climate is very important in most of most the most people's lives.
9. Even now there is little few less we can do to control the weather.
10. In the future we'll need we are needing we can need to get a lot of power from the sun and the wind.
11. For many people the name Pelé still means the more the most most famous footballer in the world.
12. Pelé had been is was born in 1940.
13. His mother not want wasn't wanting didn't want him to become a footballer.
14. But his father made him to made him would make him to practise every day.
15. By 1956 he has joined joined had joined the Brazilian club, Santos, and had scored in his first game.

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16 In 1957 he has been picked was picked was picking for the Brazilian national team.
17 The next World Cup finals were in 1958 and Pelé was looking forward to play playing the play.
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19 Pelé was a such a such a a so brilliant player that he helped Brazil win 3 World Cups.
20 He didn't stop playing to play play for Santos till he was 34.
21 After calling it a day in 1974, he came from off of retirement and played for New York Cosmos.
22 Till by in the end of his career he had scored over a thousand goals.
23 He then settled for a role as like in a sporting ambassador for Brazil.
24 By the end of the 20th Century he had received a great many number deal of awards.
25 Though honoured with the title Athlete of the Century, he will always be remembered
as footballer as a footballer as the footballer.

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for above over more that 150 years, but the first World Cup
competition has not been was not was not been held until 1930,
when Uruguay could win were winning won the first professional final.
Four teams had entered from Europe, but with a little little few success.
The 1934 World Cup was again won by a the their home team, Italy.
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finals is something that is not was not has not been achieved again
until Brazil managed them these it in 1958 and 1962.

If Brazil would have won would win had won again in 1966 then the FIFA
authorities would have needed to have let make the original World Cup replaced.
However, England stopped the Brazilians to get getting get a third successive win.
In the 1970s the honours were shared among between inside Europe and South America.
Argentina succeeded to win at winning in winning in 1978, but in 1982, in Spain,
they had difficulty in difficulties to difficulty to getting beyond the early stages.
They won again in Mexico in 1986, where which while Maradona
managed to win much some any of the games, especially the one
against England, almost by his own by himself on himself. The 1990s finals were
dominated by European teams except apart save from Brazil's win in the USA in 1994,
with the 1998 finals in France again to be being having won by the hosts.
Throughout the 1990s police in the host countries was were have been kept busy keeping
rival fans apart, but there was there were it was to be no such problems when the first
World Cup Finals of the 21st century took part place hold in Japan and South Korea in 2002.
Football's third century has seen saw seeing success for a number of footballing nations in
Africa and Asia, who may well may as well might as well prove to be the teams of the future.
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51 Millions of [persons, people, peoples] around the world now use the Internet almost every day.
52 The majority of children in the UK [have, has, are having] access to a PC.
53 Learning to use the Internet is not the same [as, like, than] learning traditional skills.
54 Most of us start off with email, [who, which, what] is fairly easy to use.
55 Children generally find using computers easy, but some adults can't get used
  [to work, to working, work] with them.
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  the Internet.
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62 Others decide they would just [rather, prefer, better] not have anything to do with computers.
63 The trend continues [to be, be by being] for computers to get smaller and smaller.
64 Some companies already have more palmtops [that, than, as] desktops.
65 It is thought that we'll have mobile phones as powerful as PCs [ill, by, in] the end of the decade.

Below is a letter written to the ‘advice’ column of a daily newspaper. Tick the correct answers.

Dear Marge,

[I'm writing, I will write, I should write] to you because I
[am not knowing, don't know, know not] what to do. I'm twenty-six and a teacher at
an [primary school, secondary school, junior school] in Norwich where [I'm working, I've worked, I work]
for the last five years.

When [I was, have been, had been] there for a couple of years, one of the older members of staff
[would leave, left, had been leaving], and a new teacher
[would be, became, was] appointed to work in the same department as me.

We [worked, have worked, should work] together with the same classes during her first year
and had the [opportunity for building, possibilities to build, chance to build] up a good professional
relationship. Then, about eighteen months after I [has arrived, have arrived, arriving]
in Norwich, she decided to buy her own, herself her a

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She was tired of **to live** **live** **living** in rented accommodation and wanted a place **by her own** **of her own** **of herself**. At about the same time, I **was given** **have been given** **gave** notice by the landlord of the flat **what I was living** **that I had lived** **I was living** in and she asked me if **liked** **had liked** **would like** to live with her. She **said** **told** **explained** me that by the time she **would pay** **would have paid** **had paid** the mortgage and the bills **it** **there** **they** wouldn't be **a lot** **many** **few** left to live on. She suggested **us** **to** **we should** **we may** share the house and share the costs. It seemed like a good idea, so after **we'd agreed** **we could agree** **we agreed with** all the details **what** **that** **who** needed to be sorted out, we moved into the new house together. At the end of this month **we have lived** **we have been living** **we'll have been living** together for a year and a half. It's the first time **I live** **I'm living** **I've lived** with anybody before, but **I should guess** **I might have guessed** **I'd have guessed** what would happen. I've fallen in love with her and now she's been offered another job 200 miles away and is going to move. I don't know what to do. Please give me some advice.

Yours in shy desperation,

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b) She works in a library, **isn't** **doesn't** **doesn't she**?

c) Tom didn't tell you, **hasn't** **didn't he** **did he**?

D) Someone's forgotten to switch off the gas, **didn't one** **didn't they** **haven't they**?

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