



Nro. De Control :

LEVEL 3

PART 2 - READING COMPREHENSION

	20
--	----

Estimated time needed: 35 minutes

Exercise 1 – Questions 1-5

- Read the following magazine interviews with people talking about work experience, and say if the sentences below are TRUE or FALSE:

1- ALI HUMAIDI, receptionist



"I applied for work experience in a primary school but they couldn't take me. I got applacement in a library instead.

Work experience taught me about myself and skills I didn't know I had, such as working with other people and meeting members of the public. I liked listening to people and helping them. Perhaps that's why I became a receptionist."

2- MEL OLIVER, TV chef



"I was quite good in class but I never did well in exams.

Towards the end of school I developed negative attitudes. I thought work experience was going to be a waste of time. I didn't think it would help me to decide what I wanted to be.

But then I did work experience in a restaurant and I loved it. A year later I got a place at a local college on a food preparation course. That was the start of my career."

3- JOSIE PARKER, singer

"No one believes me now but I was once so shy that I could only sing to myself in the shower. I did my work experience in a hairdresser's. I didn't cut hair but I helped with the customers, took people cups of tea and tidied up the salon. The staff and customers were so nice and friendly. I stopped being frightened of people. After that I started singing for my friends at parties and



then for small audiences in clubs."

4- MIKE STEEL, record producer



“My mother owns a pharmacy and she expected me to work there. I suppose I did, too. When it was time for work experience I applied to a recording Studio. From the firstday I knew I had to work in the music business. And that’s what I did.”

5- TED SURKEES, businessman



“On the first day everything went wrong. I forgot to wear a jacket and tie. I spilled coffee on the manager’s desk. I broke the office lift - I can’t explain how. It was awful. After that I became determined to set up my own business and never to work for anyone else.”

- 1 - Ali Humaidi did work experience in a school.
- 2 - School experience helped Mel Oliver choose her job.
- 3 - Before her work experience Josie Parker only used to sing alone.
- 4 - Mike Steel has worked as a pharmacist and a record producer.
- 5 - Ted Sarkees doesn’t know why the lift broke.

Exercise 2 – Questions 6 -10

- Read the signs or notes (6-10) and choose an appropriate explanation from options a – g. There are 2 (two) extra letters which you do not need to use:

6

Our science comedy night is very popular
 The show will now take place in room 4
 of the West Building, so that more people
 can see it.
See you there!

7

Magazines needed for patients to read
Up to date or out of date
 Leave them with our receptionist or
 or in the black box by the front door.

8

Clothes on sale cannot be returned

Try them on before you buy them!

9

Heating comes on between 7am and 10am
and 4pm and 11pm.

Please do not try to change these times.

10

*Paul,
There's still a little petrol in the
car, so you won't need to get any
more until you reach Benton, where
you can buy it cheaply.
Sally*

- a- Don't try to turn on the heating between 10am and 4pm.
- b- Your old magazines will be used and read here.
- c- Go somewhere else to see the show.
- d- There is enough petrol in the car to get to a cheap petrol station.
- e- The event has moved from Room 4 to the West Building.
- f- If you buy something that's too big, you can't bring it back.
- g- Please return what you've taken after finishing with it.

KEY TO READING COMPREHENSION. LEVEL 3

• **Exercise 1**

- 1 - FALSE
- 2 - TRUE
- 3 - TRUE
- 4 - FALSE
- 5 - TRUE

• **Exercise 2**

- 6 - C
- 7 - B
- 8 - F
- 9 - A
- 10 - D

• **Exercise 3**

- 11 - B
- 12 - A
- 13 - B
- 14 - C
- 15 - C

1.33 point each correct answer. **Total: 20 points.**