

Practice 1

Original past-paper question • 2019-20 • Paper 3 • Question 4

EXAM-STYLE QUESTION

Write a review about a new restaurant you recently visited.

You should include:

- where you went
- who you went with
- what you liked about it and why
- what you disliked about it and why.

Write at least 8 sentences. These must include at least 3 compound sentences that use conjunctions, for example: **and**, **but**, **also**, **because**.

Use at least 2 paragraphs.

MODEL ANSWER

Restaurant Review

Last Saturday I visited Spice Garden, a new restaurant in the town centre. I went with my husband, and we arrived at about seven o'clock. I liked the friendly staff, and our food came quickly. The chicken curry was tasty because it was fresh and full of flavour.

I also liked the quiet music, but the tables were a little too close together. The main thing I disliked was the price because the drinks were expensive. The restaurant was clean, and the menu had many choices. Overall, I enjoyed my visit and would go there again.

Practice 2

Original past-paper question • 2020-21 • Paper 4 • Question 4

EXAM-STYLE QUESTION

Write a review for the college magazine about a food festival you recently visited.

You should include:

- who you went with
- what foods you tried
- what you liked about the food festival
- what you didn't like about the food festival.

Write at least 8 sentences. These must include at least 3 compound sentences that use conjunctions, for example: **and**, **but**, **also**, **because**.

Use at least 2 paragraphs.

MODEL ANSWER

Food Festival Review

Last weekend I visited the Riverside Food Festival with my friend Aisha. We tried Turkish bread and spicy chicken, and both were delicious. I also tasted a mango dessert because it looked interesting. I liked the wide choice of food, and the stall holders were friendly.

The live music was enjoyable, but it was quite loud near the eating area. I did not like the long queues because we had to wait for some dishes. The festival was colourful and lively, and there were foods from many countries. Overall, I enjoyed the food festival and would visit it again.

Practice 3

Additional ESOLish exam-style practice question

EXAM-STYLE QUESTION

Write a review for a local website about a leisure centre you recently visited.

You should include:

- where the leisure centre is
- who you went with
- what facilities you used
- what you liked and disliked about your visit.

Write at least 8 sentences. These must include at least 3 compound sentences that use conjunctions, for example: **and**, **but**, **also**, **because**.

Use at least 2 paragraphs.

MODEL ANSWER

Leisure Centre Review

Last Sunday I visited Greenfield Leisure Centre near the town centre. I went with my sister, and we used the swimming pool and gym. The pool was clean, and the changing rooms had plenty of lockers. I liked the gym because the equipment was modern and easy to use.

The staff were friendly, but the reception area was very busy. I also disliked the small car park because it was difficult to find a space. The cafe had healthy snacks, and the prices were reasonable. Overall, I enjoyed my visit and would recommend the leisure centre to other people.

Practice 4

Additional ESOLish exam-style practice question

EXAM-STYLE QUESTION

Write a review for the college magazine about a film you recently watched.

You should include:

- where you watched the film
- who you watched it with
- what you liked about the film
- what you disliked and whether you would recommend it.

Write at least 8 sentences. These must include at least 3 compound sentences that use conjunctions, for example: **and**, **but**, **also**, **because**.

Use at least 2 paragraphs.

MODEL ANSWER

Film Review

Last Friday I watched The Last Journey at the local cinema. I went with two friends, and we chose the evening showing. The story was exciting because the main character had to solve a difficult problem. I also liked the music, and the acting was very good.

Some parts were funny, but the film was a little too long. I disliked the ending because it was not very clear. The cinema was comfortable, and the screen was large. Overall, I enjoyed the film and would recommend it to people who like adventure stories.

Practice 5

Additional ESOLish exam-style practice question

EXAM-STYLE QUESTION

Write a review for a travel website about a hotel you recently stayed in.

You should include:

- where the hotel was
- who you stayed there with
- what you liked about the hotel and why
- what you disliked about the hotel and why.

Write at least 8 sentences. These must include at least 3 compound sentences that use conjunctions, for example: **and**, **but**, **also**, **because**.

Use at least 2 paragraphs.

MODEL ANSWER

Hotel Review

Last month I stayed at the Seaview Hotel in Brighton with my family. The hotel was close to the beach, and our room had a lovely sea view. I liked the breakfast because there was a good choice of hot and cold food. The staff were polite, and they answered our questions quickly.

The room was comfortable, but the bathroom was quite small. I also disliked the noise at night because our room was near the lift. The hotel was clean, and the beds were very comfortable. Overall, we enjoyed our stay and I would recommend the hotel for a short break.