

Level: 1st Year Scientific Stream.

2025 /2026

Second Term English Exam

2 hours

Read the text carefully then do the following activities:

Australians are the happiest people in the world. This is according to a new survey from the market research company GFK NOP. Interviewers asked 30,000 people in 30 different countries about their levels of happiness. Forty-six percent of Australians said they were “very happy.” Following **them** was the USA (40 %), Egypt (36 percent), India (34 %) and the UK and Canada (32 %). Hungary finished top of the “miserable” list. Thirty-five percent of its citizens said they were “very unhappy.” The second most miserable were Russians, at 30 %.

The research showed that money and age affected how happy people are. The study did not show that money can buy happiness, but **it** did reveal a link between a lack of money and unhappiness. Unhappy people were in lower income groups or unemployed. The study also showed the older we become, the less happy we are.

Researchers also believe that social relationships are an important source of happiness. People who spend time with family and friends usually feel more satisfied with their lives. Strong social support helps individuals deal with stress and difficulties. In contrast, loneliness and isolation can reduce a person’s sense of well-being and lead to unhappiness.

Globally, teenagers are the happiest people. The least happy age group is 50–59. Only 16% of those in their fifties said **they** were very happy. The things that make us happy include good health, financial security and a happy marriage, not cars and clothes.

<https://worldhappiness.report/ed/2024/>

1. Choose the right answer: (1.5)

The reading passage is: a) a survey b) an interview c) a questionnaire

2. Say whether the following statements are True or False: (2pts)

- a) Interviewers questioned 30,000 people in Australia.
- b) Hungarian people are the happiest people in the world.
- c) The survey showed that money can make people happy.
- d) Healthy people are happy people.

3. Answer the following questions according to the text:(3pts)

- a) Are Russians considered as happy people? Justify.
- b) What is the survey about?
- c) Mention two factors that make people happy.

5. Who/what do the underlined words refer to in the text: (1.5pts)

Them (§1) →

it (§2) →

they (§4) →

B. Text Exploration (07 pts)

1. Find in the text words closest in meaning to: (1.5pts)

- a) Study (§1)=..... b) reveal (§2)= c) crucial (§3)=.....

2. Complete the chart: (1.5pts)

Verb	Noun	Adjective
.....	<i>finding</i>
<i>To question</i>
.....	<i>interviewed</i>

3. Rewrite sentence “b” so it means the same as “a”: (3pts)

- a) The journalist asked the researchers: “Why are some people unhappy?”
 b) the journalist asked the researchers
 a) “Do people like money?” she asks.
 b) She asks
 a) .The journalis asked the researchers: “Can you explain what makes people happy?”
 b) The journalist asked the researchers

4. Classify the following words according to the pronunciation of final “s”: (1pt)

interviews / researches / teenagers / makes

/s/	/z/	/iz/

PART TWO: Written Expression (05 pts)

Choose one of the following topics:

Topic one : Use the following questionnaire results to write a report about teenagers’ level of happiness.

- Number of informants: 60
- Age: 15 to 18
- Do you consider yourself as a happy person?
 - Yes: 48
 - No: 12
- In your opinion, what makes people happy?
 - Being rich: 28
 - Being healthy: 20
 - Being surrounded by friends: 12
- What do you do when you are happy?
 - Share your happiness with others: 51
 - Keep your happiness to your own: 09

Topic Two : Imagine you are a journalist . In no more than 80 words ,write a newspaper story reporting an accident that happened in your city .

Correction

1. Choose the right answer: (0.5)

The reading passage is: a) a survey

2. Say whether the following statements are True or False: (2pts)

- a. False
- b. False
- c. False
- d. True

3. Answer the questions:

- a. No, they are not. They were the second most miserable at 30%.
- b. It is about people's levels of happiness around the world.
- c. Good health / Financial security / A happy marriage (any two).

4. In which paragraph are the final findings mentioned? (1pt) → Paragraph 3

5. Who/what do the underlined words refer to in the text: (1.5pts)

Them (§1) → **Australians**

It (§2) → **The study / The survey**

They (§3) → **People in their fifties**

B. Text Exploration (07 pts)

1. Find in the text words closest in meaning to: (1.5pts)

- a) Study (§1)= **survey** b) reveal (§2)= **show** c) crucial (§3)= **important**

2 Complete the chart: (1.5pts)

Verb	Noun	Adjective
To find	finding	Findable / findless
To question	questioning	questionable
To interview	Interviewer/ interviewee	interviewed

3. Rewrite sentence "b" so it means the same as "a": (3pts)

- a- The journalist asked the researchers **why some people were unhappy.**
- b- She asks if people like money.
- c- The journalist asked the researchers is they could explain what made people happy .

4. Classify the following words according to the pronunciation of final "s": (1pt)

/s/	/z/	/iz/
makes	Teenagers -interviews	researches

PART TWO: Written Expression (05 pts)

