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1. Switch off your mobile phone and electronic devices.
2. Manage your time strictly to **20 minutes** per passage, reading questions first to guide your skimming and scanning for answers, always paying close attention to word limits and matching synonyms.
3. Read the instructions thoroughly before answering the questions.
4. Read the questions carefully to avoid silly mistakes.

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Online Tutors

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A. Astrid Manyana (F 46) Chile

Special offer for Spanish speakers: bilingual teaching of English grammar and explanations in Spanish. 25 years' experience teaching all levels from age 15 to 55. Basics, oral, written, specific interests [eg: tourism] and preparation for Cambridge and IEOS exams. I can make speaking English easy for you!

B. John Bennett-Smith (M 27) Canada

I have been teaching English conversation as a volunteer in a language centre in my city for about one year. I have also been using e-mail, ICQ and NetMeeting to teach grammar, composition and conversation over the Internet to about 20 or so students for about the same length of time. I am willing to teach (free of charge), privately or to groups, and to teach those language skills which are of interest to a particular student.

C. Pamela Arrowsmith (F 56) Australia

I have taught English for over 30 years, and have developed a range of classroom materials. I offer tutoring assistance in all areas of English, with an emphasis on Business Writing for EFL adults. I can arrange trips to Australia for business and professional adults, either individuals or groups [maximum of four adults] and these can include English classes. If desired.

D. Jean-Pierre Joya (M 22) France

I really like to create new kinds of teaching materials and I usually create my own activities instead of using the same kind of exercises and texts we all are used to. Let's try that in our classes – it will be fun! I have a BA and a Certificate in Teaching English as a Second Language and I have been teaching all levels of ESL student for more than 3 years. I offer a complimentary assessment of your skill level.



E. Naoe Nagayo (F 36) Japan

I have taught English as a Foreign Language for 6 years. I have a TEFL certificate from the USA and an MA in Applied Linguistics from the University of Birmingham, UK. My students range from preschoolers to adults. With my experience and knowledge, I can help you to target your learning difficulties and Improve your English ability!

Online Tutors Questions

Question 1-7

- Look at the description of Online Tutors (A-E).
- Write the appropriate letter A-E for each space
- Which tutor would you choose....?

Example: ...If your first language was Spanish? – A

1. to teach young children?
2. to improve English for your business?
3. if you didn't have much money?
4. if you were bored with the usual language learning exercises?
5. to do exam preparation

Which TWO descriptions mention

6. language teaching qualifications?
7. more than 10 years' teaching experience?

Question 8-14

No-Waste Recycling Guide

No-Waste is a goal and a process that involves individuals, communities, businesses and all levels of government. It leads to a future where trash is a thing of the past. Solid waste isn't hidden or buried in landfills but fully utilized as the valuable resource that it is. Through redesign, reduction, reuse, repair, recycling, composting and changes in attitude, we aim to create opportunity and wealth instead of garbage.



Recycling

Inside your blue box

Every second week: Put garbage and recyclables out before 8 AM on collection day.

Household Plastic containers

Includes milk jugs, yogurt containers, detergent bottles. Excludes containers made of foam, plastic containers which held ammonia-based products, or metal bottle lids. Rinse to remove food or residue. Leave labels on, flatten or stack plastic containers to reduce space required.

Glass containers

Leave labels on. Rinse. Discard caps.

No other types of glass such as kitchenware, drinking glasses, window glass, light bulbs, mirrors or any broken glass.

Metals

Food and beverage containers.

Cans — rinse and remove labels, flatten and fold together.

Foil trays — rinse, flatten and fold together.

No metal pots, take out container lids, cigarette wrappings.

Beside your blue box

Yellow Bag

Household paper — junk mail, envelopes, brochures, paper bags, egg cartons (fibre only); box packaging such as cereal, shoe boxes, paper towel cores, white and coloured office paper, telephone books.

Remove liners, flatten packaging and place inside the bag.

No drinking boxes, paper towels or waxed paper.

Blue Bag

Newspapers, inserts, sales flyers, magazines and catalogs. Remove magazine covers, perfumed inserts. No books or soiled newspapers.

Textiles, Clothing And Linens

Place clean textiles in a separate plastic shopping bag tied with string.

Cardboard

Packing boxes, liquor boxes.



Flatten bundles and tie — no larger than 30 x 30 x 8. Place beside a blue box. No waxed or coated boxes, soiled pizza boxes.

Choose **ONE** item only from the list below to go in each recycling container.

- 8. in the Blue Box
- 9. in the Yellow Bag
- 10. in the Blue Bag

List Of Items For Recycling

- telephone book
- old clothing
- wed pizza delivery box
- ceramic cup
- heavy cardboard
- packing box
- magazines
- old textbook
- aluminum drink
- light bulb

Look at the following statements. In boxes 11-14 on your answer sheet write\

YES if the answer is "yes"

NO if the answer is "no"

NOT GIVEN if there is no information about this in the passage.

- 11. Do I put out items for recycling every other week? _____
- 12. Should I remove labels from food cans? _____
- 13. Can I recycle a broken window? _____
- 14. Is there a separate collection for large household items? _____




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Answers for IELTS General Reading Practice Test 17

1. E	2. C	3. B	4. D
5. A	6. D, E	7. A, C	8. Aluminum drink can
9. Telephone books	10. Magazines	11. Yes	12. Yes
13. No	14. Not given		

How many questions did you get right?

Correct Answers (Out of 14)	Your Next Step
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