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Duration : 1hour

Level : 2nd Year Foreign Languages Stream

THE FIRST TERM ENGLISH TEST N1°

Read the text and do the activities below.

TEXT:

Luca Romano, from Spain, talks about how people's manners and habits have changed over the years.

He says:

"When I was a young boy, my grandfather used to live with us. He was a polite and very respectful man. He always told **me** to say please and thank you, and to respect older people. At that time, my parents worked all day, so my grandfather took care of me. He was patient and always smiled when I made mistakes." (§1)

"Nowadays, I notice that many young people forget to use polite words. **They** talk loudly in public and sometimes ignore elderly people. In my opinion, good manners are slowly disappearing." (§2)

"When I was a child, I used to greet everyone politely. I remember saying Good morning to my teachers and neighbours. But today, many teenagers are on their phones all the time and don't even look up when someone greets them." (§3)

"In my mother tongue, **we** also have two ways of addressing people: one formal and one informal. We use the formal one with teachers or strangers, and the informal one with friends or family. However, young people now use the informal way with everyone, even with teachers." (§4)

"Maybe **this** is because of the influence of English and social media, but I still think we should keep our traditional ways of showing respect." (§5)

(Adapted from an online magazine)

READING AND INTERPRETING (09 PTS)

1. Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE. (02 pts)

- a. Luca's parents stayed home to take care of him.
- b. His grandfather was kind and respectful.
- c. Teenagers today are more polite than before.
- d. Luca's language has both a formal and an informal way of addressing people.

2. Answer the following questions according to the text. (04 pts)

- a. Who used to take care of Luca when he was young?
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- b. How do young people behave today, according to Luca?
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- c. How do people in Luca's language address others formally?
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- d. What does Luca think about the influence of English and social media?
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3. What or who do the underlined words refer to in the text? (02 pts)

- a. me (§1) →
- b. They (§2) →
- c. we (§4) →
- d. this (§5) →

4. Give a suitable title to the text. (01 pt)

TEXT EXPLORATION (11 PTS)

1. Find in the text words which are closest in meaning to the following (01.5 pt)

- a. polite (§1) = ...
- b. teenagers (§2) = ...
- c. remember (§2) = ...

2. Find in the text THREE antonyms (01.5 pt)

- a. old ≠
- b. quietly ≠
- c. forget ≠

3. Complete the following table. (02 pt)

Words	Polite	Respectful	Patient	Behave
Nouns				

4. Give the correct form of the verbs in brackets. (03 pts)

- a. He (live) with his grandparents when he was small, but now he (live) alone.
- b. Look! That child (fall) from his chair.
- c. We (not use) to watch TV every day, but we (do) it now.
- d. She always (study) hard before her exams.

5. Classify the following words according to the pronunciation of their final "s". (03 pts)

" talks – manners – ignores – neighbours – parents – uses "

/s/	/z/	/ɪz/



THE CORRECTION

READING AND INTERPRETING (09 PTS)

1. Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE. (02 pts)

- a. Luca's parents stayed home to take care of him. **FALSE**
- b. His grandfather was kind and respectful. **TRUE**
- c. Teenagers today are more polite than before. **FALSE**
- d. Luca's language has both a formal and an informal way of addressing people. **TRUE**

2. Answer the following questions according to the text. (04 pts)

- a. **His grandfather** used to take care of him when he was young.
- b. **They behave impolitely; they talk loudly and ignore elderly people.**
- c. **By using the formal way** (with teachers or strangers).
- d. **He thinks English and social media influence people negatively**, but traditional manners should be kept.

3. What or who do the underlined words refer to in the text? (02 pts)

- a. me (§1) → Luca Romano
- b. They (§2) → young people
- c. we (§4) → people in his culture / his community
- d. this (§5) → the influence of English and social media

4. Title (01 pt)

Possible answers (accept any equivalent idea):

Changing Manners
Good Manners Through Time
Old vs New Manners
Respect and Politeness Today

Text Exploration (11 pts)

1. Synonyms (01.5 pt → 0.5 each)

- a. polite (§1) = respectful / b. teenagers (§3) = young people / c. respect (§5) = manners

2. Antonyms (01.5 pt → 0.5 each)

- a. old ≠ young / b. loudly ≠ quietly / c. forget ≠ remember

3. Word Formation (02 pts → 0.5 each)

Words	Polite	Respectful	Patient	Behave
Nouns	Politeness	Respect	Patience	Behaviour

4. Verb Forms (03 pts → 0.75 each)

- a. He **lived** with his grandparents when he was small, but now he **lives** alone.
- b. Look! That child **is going to fall / will fall** from his chair.
- c. We **didn't use** to watch TV every day, but we **do** it now.
- d. She **always** studies hard before her exams.

5. Pronunciation of final "s" (03 pts → 1 pt each column)

/s/	/z/	/ɪz/
talks, parents	manners, ignores, neighbours	uses