



I. Reading Section (15 marks)

Read the article and do the activities.

Company Plans To Test 'Flying Car'

LONDON Wednesday May 26 (Reuters) - A U.S. aviation company is planning to test a revolutionary new "flying car" that will hover above the ground and could change the way people travel in the future.

Moller International, of California, plans to take the so-called Skycar on its maiden journey in the next few weeks and could reveal it to the press by the end of the year, New Scientist magazine said Wednesday.

The Batmobile shaped vehicle will seat four people, do about five miles per liter of gas, have a top speed of over 370 miles per hour and will take off and land vertically.

"On its first flight, the Skycar will rise to a height of two meters (six feet) or so, hover for one minute and then land, just like a Harrier jump jet," the magazine said.

"Later flights will be more ambitious. Once the aircraft receives a license from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) anyone with a pilot's license will be able to fly one in the U.S.," it said.

The vehicle, which will be hand-built and cost about \$1 million, is the brainchild of Paul Moller, who founded the company. He has been working on the project for 30 years.

The car uses two rotary engines and fans placed inside streamlined housings known as nacelles. The fans inside the nacelles create an airflow that generates thrust. Each four-passenger Skycar will have four nacelles to provide the power.

"At the rear of each nacelle is a set of vanes that can be angled downwards to generate lift as well as forward thrust," the magazine said.

Once the design is perfected and mass produced, Moller estimates it could cost about \$60,000.

"The first Skycars will be fly-by-wire vehicles. In other words, while the pilot tells the craft what to do, a computer will actually do the flying, taking the vehicle's rate of turn, and altitude into account when it responds to instructions," the magazine said.

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Are the following statements true or false? If it is false, write the true statement. (6 marks)

Example: Moller International is a Californian company.

True

The car has a top speed of 37 miles per hour.

False. The car has a top speed of over 370 miles per hour.

1. The new flying car is called "Skycar".
2. Five people can sit in the car.
3. The car can fly two meters above the ground.
4. The car has received a license from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).
5. Paul Moller has worked on the Skycar for thirty years.
6. Moller believes that he will sell the car for \$1 million when it is mass produced.

Match the words in column A with the definitions in column B. (3 marks)

A	B
7. maiden	a. made by men, not machines
8. take off	b. motors
9. land	c. first
10. hover	d. go down onto the ground
11. hand-built	e. go up
12. engines	f. remain still in the air

7. _____ 8. _____ 9. _____ 10. _____ 11. _____ 12. _____

Read the article and do the activity. (6 marks)

Europeans Prefer Channel Hopping to Surfing - Poll

BRUSSELS Thursday May 2 (Reuters) - Europeans may love their television remote controls but most still don't use computers, a new poll showed on Tuesday.

A cultural survey of more than 16,000 people, showed 53 percent do not use computers and less than 35 percent surf the Internet.

The Greeks and Portuguese were least keen on using computers among the EU's 15 nations, scoring only 25 percent each, while the Swedes, Danes and Dutch were the most likely to surf the Web.

"Almost all Europeans watch television," the survey said adding that news programs were the most popular, followed by films and then sports.

The survey also showed that reading, both books and newspapers, was much more popular in Nordic countries -- Sweden, Finland and Denmark -- as well as Britain, than among the Mediterranean nations, Greece, Spain and Portugal.

Nearly half of EU citizens read newspapers between five and seven times a week, with the highest percentage again in Sweden and Finland and the lowest in Greece and Portugal.

And more than 60 percent of Europeans listen to music every day, with rock and pop being the most popular.

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Choose the correct answer.

13. According to the article, Europeans prefer _____ to _____.
- remote controls, computers
 - watching television, using a computer
 - using a computer, watching television
14. People from _____ use the Internet more than in other EU nations.
- Sweden, Denmark and Holland
 - Greece and Portugal
 - Sweden, Finland and Denmark
15. Europeans like to watch _____ the most.
- films
 - sports programs
 - news programs
16. People from _____ don't enjoy reading newspapers all that much.
- Greece, Spain and Portugal
 - Britain
 - Sweden, Finland and Denmark
17. _____ of the people who live in EU countries often read a newspaper.
- More than half
 - Almost half
 - Less than 30%
18. Listening to music is a hobby for _____ Europeans.
- exactly 60% of
 - over 60% of
 - less than 60% of

II. Use of English Section (25 marks)

A. Write the comparative and superlative forms of these adjectives. (5 marks)

Example: rich	<i>richer</i>	<i>the richest</i>
1. bad	_____	_____
2. easy	_____	_____
3. patient	_____	_____
4. thin	_____	_____
5. attractive	_____	_____

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B. Make questions to ask about the underlined words. (5 marks)

Example: I saw Brad Pitt at a concert last weekend.

Who did you see last weekend?

1. Dad's washing the car now.

What _____?

2. I had lunch in the park yesterday.

Where _____?

3. My husband goes to London once a week.

How often _____?

4. I was watching TV at eight o'clock last night.

What time _____?

5. We're going to travel around Australia in a van.

How _____?

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C. Put the verbs in brackets in the Present Perfect or the Past Simple and complete the short answers. (7 marks)

1 A Have you ever ¹ been (go) to India?
B Yes, I ² _____ actually. I
³ _____ (travel) round India last year.

A What ⁴ _____ you _____ (like) best?

B Oh, the mountains, I think. I ⁵ _____ (take) some great photos of the Himalayas.

2 A ⁶ _____ any of your friends ever _____ (take) singing lessons?

B No, they ⁷ _____. Oh, but one of my cousins had a few lessons. Her teacher ⁸ _____ (ask) her to stop because she was so bad, but she sings in a famous band now.

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D. Write the negative of these adjectives. (2 marks)

Example: healthy *unhealthy*

- polite _____
- mature _____
- correct _____
- honest _____

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E. Fill in the gaps with the correct form of be going to and complete the short answers. (3½ marks)

- I 'm going to visit my cousin in Italy.
- When _____ she _____ study Spanish?
- It's cold, so we _____ play tennis.
- A _____ you _____ work tomorrow?
B No, I _____.
- Martin and Fiona _____ drive to Milan.
- A _____ your father _____ retire?
B Yes, he _____.

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F. Fill in the gaps in the conversations with these words and phrases. (2½ marks)

~~can't~~ couldn't worry oh, dear
have to another time

- I
- TOM I'm really sorry. I ¹ can't come to the cinema tonight. I ² _____ study for an exam.
- ANN Don't ³ _____. We'll do it ⁴ _____.
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- JIM I'm sorry I ⁵ _____ see you last night. I was feeling ill so I went to bed early.
- SUE ⁶ _____! Are you all right now?

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III. Listening practice (10 marks)

Listen to Andre's answering machine. Choose the best answers.

One

1. When will Andre's car be ready?

- a. Monday b. Wednesday c. Friday d. never

2. At what time can Andre pick it up?

- a. 11 o'clock b. 12 o'clock c. 2 o'clock d. four o'clock

Two

3. Who is calling?

- a. Pat b. Pam c. Sam d. Barbara

4. Why did she get the package?

- a. it had the wrong address on it c. the postman didn't know which house it was
b. Andre wasn't at home d. the postman saw her in the street

Three

5. Why did Susan call?

- a. to tell Andres that the party is cancelled c. to ask Andres to invite some friends to the party
b. to ask Andres to call her d. to invite Andre to a party

6. What does she want Andre to do?

- a. to bring some CDs b. to call her c. to buy some drinks d. to lend her his car

Four

7. Who is calling?

- a. Classic CDs b. Classical Music c. Classic Records d. Classical Recordings

8. What does Andre have to pick up?

- a. a DVD b. a CD c. a video d. a book

Five

9. What did Andre invite Kathy to do?

- a. go to the cinema b. have dinner c. have lunch d. go out

10. What's the problem?

- a. she has to work late c. the film starts too late
b. she's going to be late d. her parents don't want her to be late

IV. Writing Section (15 marks)

A. Describe your favorite book or TV programme. Why do you like it? (5 marks)

B. Think of a member of your family and describe their personality. (5 marks)

C. Think about some interesting news in your life. Write an email to a friend about your news. (5 marks)

V. Oral (15 marks)

VI. Homework and tests (20 marks)