

**FINAL**  
Alternative Assessment

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Session : April 2022

Programme : Foundation in Business (CFB)  
Foundation in Science (CFSI)

Course : ENL 1212: English Language Skills 2

Date of Examination : 2 August 2022 (Tuesday)

Time : 9:00am – 11:30am Reading Time : Nil

Duration : 2 hours + 30 minutes (uploading time)

Special Instructions :

This paper consists of **THREE (3)** Sections. Answer **ALL** questions in your foolscap paper.

Materials permitted : Nil

Materials provided : Nil

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*This paper consists of 6 printed pages, including the cover page.*

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**SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN EXAMINATIONS:**

1. All your answers **MUST BE HANDWRITTEN** in A4 Foolsap Papers.
2. It is your responsibility as a student to ensure that your handwriting is clear and legible for grading purposes.
3. Make sure you **DO NOT COPY & PASTE** from or **REFER TO** any source. Your submission will be digitally checked for plagiarism. You may be subjected to an Academic Dishonesty hearing if caught cheating in any way.
4. You are required to scan all answer sheets in **one single file** and submit file in Blackboard before the end of the exam duration.
5. The duration of the alternative assessment is 2 hours (as per original exam). An additional 30 minutes is given for you to scan and upload your answer scripts.  
Total duration of Final Exam : **2 HOURS 30 MINUTES**
6. Your scanned document/file must be labelled:  
**Subject Code\_Name\_Student ID (Programme)**  
For example: ENL1212\_Andrew Lee\_P12345678 (CFSI)
7. You have unlimited attempts to submit your answers before the deadline.
8. You must submit your completed work before **hour:minute on date:month:year**.  
**There will be absolutely no extensions.** We will not accept any appeal for additional time or special consideration for any disruption you may face during the scheduled exam time.

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**SECTION A : GRAMMAR IN WRITING**

**(30 marks)**

**Part 1**

**Read this paragraph carefully. Then write the correct form of the verbs in parentheses on your foolscap paper. (15 marks)**

The retail industry has \_\_\_1\_\_\_ (undergo) a radical transformation. Even before the Covid pandemic, the shift to e-commerce \_\_\_2\_\_\_ (be) completely reshaping how the industry \_\_\_3\_\_\_ (operate) and how customers shop.

But lockdowns made these shifts more rapid and seismic, \_\_\_4\_\_\_ (force) businesses and consumers to shop online at record levels. The pandemic also expedited the adoption of in-store contactless payments. Research from UK Finance, which represents the banking and finance industry, \_\_\_5\_\_\_ (find) that 27% of all payments in 2020 were contactless, up from 7% five years ago.

While people have been \_\_\_6\_\_\_ (talk) about the shift to e-commerce for decades, we are now getting a much more definitive and enduring sense of what that transformation actually \_\_\_7\_\_\_ (look) like, and what it means for retail businesses.

“Finally, cash is no longer king,” \_\_\_8\_\_\_ (say) Jacob Rider, senior programme manager at Projective, a financial business, technology and innovation consulting firm. “Notes and coins \_\_\_9\_\_\_ (go) out of widespread use during the pandemic, while payments innovation in the contactless space – and the relaxing of regulations allowing the \_\_\_10\_\_\_ (up) of limits – means digital and contactless payment with card or phone, or wear[able] tech, is now the \_\_\_11\_\_\_ (prefer) method of payment for many.”

This means that trust is now of paramount importance – for both retailers and consumers alike. “Businesses are frantically working on \_\_\_12\_\_\_ (recover) from the pandemic disruption, and they need to instil trust,” says Harshna Cayley, Managing Director at Barclaycard Business.

Another effect of these trends is the way physical and online retail shopping have increasingly \_\_\_13\_\_\_ (blend) into one experience. However customers choose to shop, they expect the benefits of both approaches. For instance, some \_\_\_14\_\_\_ (may) wish to order online and then pick up in store, or they may want to try out products in store and then have the purchase fulfilled online. Alternatively, they might expect their in-person shopping experiences to be more \_\_\_15\_\_\_ (personal).

**Part 2**

**Read the sentences carefully. Then write the correct prepositions that collocate with the verbs given. (15 marks)**

1. Technology, \_\_\_a\_\_\_ the use of multimedia tools, has entered the classroom \_\_\_b\_\_\_ a big way to become part \_\_\_c\_\_\_ the teaching and learning process.
2. Interactive websites engage students \_\_\_a\_\_\_ providing information and resources. However, teachers should preview these sites \_\_\_b\_\_\_ allowing their students \_\_\_c\_\_\_ surf them.
3. Although achieving flawless skin may seem impossible, we are all capable \_\_\_a\_\_\_ maintaining good skin. To some, it may mean washing their face \_\_\_b\_\_\_ soap, while \_\_\_c\_\_\_ others, it may be investing large amounts \_\_\_d\_\_\_ money \_\_\_e\_\_\_ blemish-busting products and anti-wrinkle creams.
4. There was an increase in the sales compared \_\_\_a\_\_\_ last year because of the tourists who arrived in drones in September.
5. I need to discuss the case \_\_\_a\_\_\_ the counsellor before I comment \_\_\_b\_\_\_ it.
6. Yee Ling has recovered \_\_\_a\_\_\_ the initial shock of the news.

**SECION B: ESSAY DRAFTING****(40 marks)***Take Note :*

1. 'Out of Topic' answers will be graded over ½ the original marks by default.
2. Plagiarism – copying or lifting partially or completely from a source is prohibited.

**Part 1**

1. **Choose ONE topic from below. Write a concluding paragraph on the chosen topic. Your paragraph should contain at least 60 words. (10 marks)**
  - (a) The effects of excessive online gaming.
  - (b) The role of social media in the life of a college student.
  
2. **Choose ONE topic from below. Write a body paragraph on the chosen topic. Your paragraph should contain at least 60 words. (10 marks)**
  - (a) The importance of learning and knowing multiple languages.
  - (b) Traditional television Versus OTT Platforms : A comparison.

**Part 2**

Based on the question below, **prepare a draft** consisting of the following; a thesis statement, at least **THREE (3)** main ideas, **TWO (2)** supporting details per main idea, **ONE (1)** example per main idea, a concluding statement and recommendation(s). **The draft should be in point form only.** (20 marks)

Maintaining a presence on social media has become a norm. Despite constant and consistent checks and upgrades, social media users still face certain dangers while online, such as, trolls, identity theft, scams, virtual bullies and fake information.

What, in your point of view, can be done to make social media platforms safer and more effective? You may discuss steps that can be taken by individual users, communities, platform owners or authorities.

**Sample Draft Structure**

- Introduction
  - ✓ Hook
  - ✓ Cushioning Details
  - ✓ Thesis Statement
- Body Paragraph 1, 2 & 3 :
  - ✓ Main Idea
  - ✓ Supporting Details
  - ✓ Example(s)
- Conclusion
  - ✓ Concluding Statement
  - ✓ Recommendations
  - ✓ Suggestions

**SECTION C: Essay**

**(30 marks)**

Based on the question below, and the draft prepared in **Part 2 of Section C**, **write a complete essay** of at least 350 words. The essay should include the following; an introduction, body paragraphs, and a conclusion. **(30 marks)**

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