

## **Final State Exam in the English Language**

The state bachelor exam consists of a final written test and an oral exam. In order to sit for the oral exam students must pass the final written test, which lasts 4 hours.

The final written test consists of four parts:

1. reading comprehension
2. listening comprehension
3. grammar
4. essay (in this part students may use their dictionaries. The topics of the essays relate to the management of travel and tourism, culture and history of the English Speaking Countries and general topics connected with education.)

The final written exam will be reviewed by two teachers. If students pass the final written test, they may do the oral exam.

The oral exam includes 30 questions about culture and history of the English Speaking Countries.

### **Final State Exams Topics**

- 1) Prehistoric Britain, Celtic Britain, Roman Britain, Angles, Saxons and Jutes, Vikings, and tourism-related sites from this period.
- 2) Norman England & later middle ages, tourism-related sites from this period.
- 3) Tudor dynasty & renaissance culture and literature, tourism-related sites from this period.
- 4) The age of revolutions & the Stuarts.
- 5) Industrial Revolution & Romanticism.
- 6) Victorian Period, tourism-related sites from this period.
- 7) Britain in the first half of the 20th century.
- 8) Britain after WWII till 2000.
- 9) Current Britain (2000-now), British identity & multiculturalism in Britain.
- 10) British cultural and natural heritage, British UNESCO sites & current tourism in Britain.
- 11) What were the major contributing factors to the rise of the British Empire? How did the British approach to governing its Empire differ from one continent to another?
- 12) Ancient civilizations of Africa and their role in current tourism of discussed countries (e.g., Axum Empire, the Kingdom of Ghana, the Mali Empire, the Songhai Empire, the Ethiopian Empire).
- 13) North Africa: Maghreb-Libya, Tunisia, Algeria, Morocco (Mauritania); Egypt. Geographical features, people, the recent history of the region based on general African history and its consequences for tourism and tourist attractions – focus on a chosen country.
- 14) West, East, and Central Africa. Geographical features, people, and recent history of the region based on general African history and its consequences for tourism and tourist attractions – focus on a chosen country (Ethiopia, Congo-Kinshasa, Rwanda).
- 15) Southern and South Africa. Geographical features, people, and recent history of the region based on general African history and its consequences for tourism and tourist attractions – focus on a chosen country (Angola, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland,

Zambia, and Zimbabwe).

16) Geographical features and economy of India and their consequences for tourism and tourist attractions in the region.

17) Religion and history of India and its consequences for tourism and tourist attractions of the country.

18) Geographical features, people, history of Australia, and its consequences for tourism and tourist attractions of the country.

19) Geographical features, people, history of New Zealand, and its consequences for tourism and tourist attractions of the country.

20) Ecology and the role of Australia and New Zealand in solving environmental problems.

21) American values in comparison with ours, the American dream reflected in American literature.

22) Geography of the USA, people, climate, cities, religion, and economy.

23) USA UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

24) Name some of the most significant events relating to the history of Native Americans and their confrontations with Europeans and European Americans.

25) The War of Independence and the Constitution. (What were the main events which led to the American revolution? What were the Articles of Confederation? Discuss the basic principles of the US Constitution.).

26) Some of the causes of the American Civil War and the results of Reconstruction.

27) The politics of the U.S.A. in the First and Second World Wars.

28) Discuss the main events of the Cold War.

29) The main events of the Civil Rights Movement.

30) Modern USA history and its main issues (2000 – now).

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