

10 Worksheet Final Test: Ethnic Diversity in the UK

A LISTENING COMPREHENSION

These tasks deal with a report about an African festival in London; it was broadcast on the radio station “Voice of America” and was originally aired 18 Oct 2010

Take three minutes to study the tasks below. Then go to the following link and listen to the whole text (length: 2:41 mins.):

<http://www.englishaddicts.com/A345500--London-Celebrates-African-Diversity.html>

(Please copy and paste this hyperlink into your browser, then click on the link “Audio preview”.)

Try to do some of the tasks after listening for the first time. Then listen to the text again and finish the tasks. As the listening text is comparatively short, this part of the test should not take more than ten minutes.

1. Where does the festival take place?

- in the sad dough of Nell's own column.
- in the shadow of Nelson's call 'em.
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2. What is on display at this festival? Fill in the missing words:

African _____ and _____ are on display. But it is not just the _____
and _____ of Africa, but the _____ as well.

3. Adwoa Hagen-Mensah describes what kind of dishes she is serving at the festival.

Which of these are on the menu? (do not tick more than 2 options)

- spinach, melon seeds and mushroom
- banana split
- jollof rice
- coconut fries
- yams, black-eyed peas and fish

4. What does Africa analyst Tom Porteous say about the links between Britain and Africa?

Write approx. 20 words.

5. What do we learn from newspaper editor Mike Abiola? (1 option)

- The concentration of Londoners is considerable in Africa.
- The African people here are very tall.
- In London, there are more people from Africa than in any other European city.
- In London, there are more people from Africa than in the rest of Europe.

6. Which of the following statements are true for musician Kudaushe Matimba? (2 options)

- He is from Simba-Upway.
- He left his home because he was bored and frustrated.
- He has been away from home for more than ten years.
- He says playing in a band helps him forget his African roots.
- He is from Zimbabwe.
- He left his home as a political prisoner.

B TEXT COMPREHENSION AND ANALYSIS

Please access the following article by Gaby Hinsliff in the *Guardian and Observer* of 20 April 2008:

Ethnic middle classes join the 'white flight'

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2008/apr/20/race.communities>

(Please copy and paste this hyperlink into your browser.)

For this task you do not need to read all of the text. Please read the headline and the introductory paragraph, and then the first ten paragraphs after the author's name (the last line reads: "villages are nonetheless felt.")

Annotations: par. 9 **to canvass** to ask people about something in order to get their opinion or to get information; **undue** not appropriate or proper (or even legal) in the circumstances

Questions on the text

- 1 What change has Mr Jellicoe seen over the past years, and what is his attitude towards it?
- 2 What does "white flight" mean in this text, and why is it a strange term now?
- 3 There are different reasons here why people dislike segregation. Sum them up.

C TEXT PRODUCTION

Choose one of these topics and write 250 to 300 words.

- a) You have learnt a lot about ethnic diversity in the UK now. On the basis of this knowledge, discuss the differences between Germany's attitude to its ethnic minorities and the UK's attitude to its ethnic minorities.
- b) Tea (one-word essay)

D MEDIATION

Choose one of the following tasks.

- a) Translate paragraphs 18 to 20 of the text "Ethnic middle classes join the 'white flight'" into idiomatic German (from "In other words ..." to "... has, however, brought problems."). Bear in mind that you must be very precise in this kind of task.
- b) A British e-pal of yours, Neil, has found the text „Pakistane in Großbritannien: Im Gefängnis sozialer Armut“ by Bettina Schulz on the internet. It is an article which was published in the German newspaper *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung* in July 2005. Neil is especially interested as his neighbours are from Pakistan (who may not be a typical family in his opinion), but his German is not good enough to understand all of it. So he has asked you to tell him what this text is about.

Write him an e-mail in English giving him the information he wants. Do not use more than 300-350 words.

Read the German text here:

<http://www.faz.net/aktuell/politik/pakistaner-in-grossbritannien-im-gefaengnis-sozialer-armut-1254983.html>

(Please copy and paste this hyperlink into your browser.)

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