

#### **ESCUELA SUPERIOR POLITECNICA DEL LITORAL** Centro de Lenguas Extranjeras **CELEX - ESPOL** Basic B



(Face2Face Pre-Intermediate Units 2C to 6D)



### 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.

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.

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.

Moller International, of California, plans to take the so- 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.

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.

"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.

"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.

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

"Later flights will be more ambitious. Once the aircraft computer will actually do the flying, taking the 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 first Skycars will be fly-by-wire vehicles. In other words, while the pilot tells the craft what to do, a 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)
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Moller International is a Californian company. Example:

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 "the Batmobile".
- 2. Four people can sit in the car.
- 3. The car can only fly for five miles.
- 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	В		
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		
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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 Spain and Portugal. percent do not use computers and less than 35 percent surf the Internet.

Nearly half of EU circumstances.

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, Eur	opeans prefer	to
a.	remote controls, computers		
	. watching television, using a computer		
	using a computer, watching	television	
	. People from		an in other EU nations.
	Sweden, Denmark and Holl	and	
	Greece and Portugal		
c.	Sweden, Finland and Denm	ark	
15	Europeana like to weetch	the most	
	Europeans like to watch		
a.	films	b. sports programs	c. news programs
16.	. People from	don't enjoy reading r	newspapers all that much.
a.	Greece, Spain and Portugal	b. Britain	c. Sweden, Finland and Denmark
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	of the peo		
a.	More than half	b. Almost half	c. Less than 30%
18.	Listening to music is a hobby	y forEuro	ppeans.
a	exactly 60% of	h over 60% of	c less than 60% of

### II. Use of English Section (25 marks)

Write	the comp	parative a	nd superlativ	ve
forms	of these	adjective	s. (5 marks)	

rich	richer	the richest
1 happy		
2 aggressive		
3 safe		
4 fat		
5 dry		

Source: Face2Face Pre-Intermediate Teacher's Book/ Rachel Clark & Anna Young/CUP/2005/Progress Tests page 216

# Make questions to ask about the <u>underlined</u> words. (5 marks)

Dad's <u>washing the car</u> now.	
What's Dad doing now?	
1 They paid £200 for a night at that hotel.	
How much	?
2 A famous actor lives in the flat next to mine.	
Who	?
3 I think we'll go to Canada next summer.	
Where	_?
4 We've sold ten tickets for the disco.	
How many	_?
5 The students are all <u>doing their homework</u> now.	
What	_?

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# Write the right word or phrases for each of these definitions. (3 marks)

These programmes on TV give us information about tennis, football, etc. sports programmes
 On some of these TV programmes people try to win prizes by answering questions.
 On these TV programmes a presenter often interviews famous people.
 These TV programmes are very popular stories about a group of people. They are usually on TV three or four times a week.
 This type of film tells a story about life in the future.
 These are serious plays for the radio, TV or the theatre.
 This type of film is exciting and the ending is often surprising.

# Tick the correct sentences. Change the incorrect sentences. (2 marks)

- play

  1 Could you <del>playing</del> your guitar at the concert?
- 2 My dad is looking forward to retire.
- 3 When are we going to leaving tomorrow?
- 4 I'm hoping to find a job as a journalist.
- 5 We're planning to visiting some friends in Rome.

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# Put the verbs in brackets in the Present Perfect or the Past Simple and complete the short answers.

1	A	Have you ever 1 been (go) to India?		
	В	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 teach		6 any of your friends ever		
		(take) singing lessons?		
		No, they 7		
		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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# Fill in the gaps in these conversations with one or two words. (3 marks)

A: H	ow do you know Jane?	
B: W	e met at school.	
1	A: You're from the La	inguage Centre,?
	B: Yes, I am. Do you _	near here?
	A: Yes, in Broad Stree	et.
2	A: It was	_ meeting you.
	B: Yes. I	we meet again soon.
3	Let's keep in	
	Yes, see	_ at the café, probably.

Source: Face2Face Pre-Intermediate Teacher's Book/ Rachel Clark & Anna Young/CUP/2005/Progress Tests page 212

### III. Listening practice (10 marks)

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

#### One

50. Who's calling?

a. Andre's friend, Jim

c. a man called Jim from Jim's Auto Repairs

b. Bill's Auto Repair

d. Ben, a mechanic

51. At what time can Andre pick it up?

a. 11 o'clock

b. 12 o'clock

c. 2 o'clock

d. 4 o'clock

Two

52. Who is calling?

a. Pat

b. Pam

c. Sam

d. Barbara

53. When will Andre get the package?

a on Tuesday night

b. tonight

c tomorrow

d next week sometime

Three

54. Why did Susan call?

a. to tell Andres that the party is cancelled

c. to ask Andres to call her

b. to invite Andre to a party

d. to ask Andres to invite some friends to the party

55. What does she want Andre to do?

a. to bring some CDs

b. to lend her his car

c. to call her

d. to buy some drinks

Four

56. What did Andre order?

a. a DVD

b. a CD

c. a video

d. a book

57. What does he have to do?

a. pay for it

b. change his order

c. wait a few more weeks

d. pick it up

**Five** 

58. What did Andre invite Kathy to do?

a. have dinner

b. go to the cinema

c. have lunch

d. go out

59. What's the problem?

a. she has to work late

c. her parents don't want her to be late

b. she's going to be late

d. the film starts too late

### IV. Writing Section (15 marks)

A. Describe a film you've seen recently. What kind of film was it? What happened? Was the acting good? (5 marks)

B. Think of a friend 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)