



Examen VSBO PBL 2024

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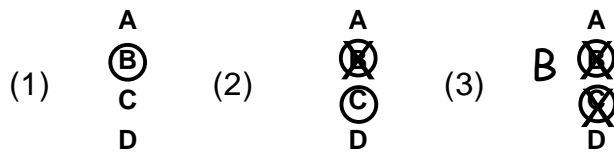
Beantwoord alle vragen in dit opgavenboekje.

Bij dit examen hoort een bijlage.

Dit examen bestaat uit 30 vragen.
Voor dit examen zijn maximaal 41 punten te behalen.
Voor elk vraagnummer staat hoeveel punten met een goed antwoord behaald kunnen worden.

Multiple choice

- Circle the letter of the correct answer (example 1).
- Indicate corrections clearly (examples 2 and 3).



Answer all open-ended questions in English.

Text 1 Celebrating 15 years of Dutch pancakes

Choose the correct options to fill the gaps in the text (questions 1-8):

1p 1

- A anniversary
- B birthday
- C price

1p 2

- A after
- B before
- C during

1p 3

- A cheaper and cold
- B thinner and larger
- C tiny and square

1p 4

- A pancakes for breakfast
- B pancakes for dinner
- C pancakes for take-out

1p 5

- A decreased
- B disappeared
- C increased

1p 6

- A chefs
- B population
- C visitors

1p 7

- A jokes
- B recipes
- C shapes

1p 8

- A combination
- B display
- C error

Text 2 Chocolate

1p

9 What is concluded in the study?

- A Chocolate can cure a number of heart diseases.
- B Chocolate is the best option when you go on a diet.
- C Eating a bit of chocolate can actually be good for you.
- D Eating a lot of chocolate is dangerous for your heart.

Text 3 The unlikely intruder

1p

10 The title of this text is '*The unlikely intruder*'.

→ What/Who was this intruder? *Complete the following sentence:*

The intruder turned out to be

.....

1p

11 Why did the security company ask about pets in the house?

Complete the following sentence with a maximum of 5 words:

Because they thought that pets might have

.....

- 1p 12 How did the narrator feel when he found out what had caused the alarm to go off?
- A amused
 - B annoyed
 - C pleased
 - D relieved

Text 4 What to do when iguanas fall from the sky

- 2p 13 Paragraph 1 mentions certain characteristics of green iguanas.
→ Write down two of these characteristics.

1 They

2 They

- 1p 14 What is said in paragraph 1 about green iguanas and South Florida?
- A They find it hard to survive in the region with its hot climate.
 - B They have come to the region because they enjoy its climate.
 - C They have moved away from the region because of its climate.

- 1p 15 Read paragraph 2 and 3.
Why did many iguanas in the Miami area fall out of the trees last night?
- A It was too cold for the iguanas to use their muscles and move.
 - B The iguanas tried to get into people's homes in order to get warm.
 - C The trees were too slippery for the shivering iguanas to hold on to.

- 1p 16 Paragraph 3 states: '*When that happens, people tend to ...*'
What does the word that refer to in this sentence?
It refers to
- A people taking extreme measures to keep themselves warm.
 - B temperatures dropping to around 5 degrees for a few days.
 - C the average daily temperature becoming about 18 degrees.

- 1p 17 Paragraph 5 starts with the question that is also the title of the text.
The answer has been replaced by a gap with the letter **X**.
What is the answer?
- A Carefully pick them up.
 - B Just warm them up.
 - C Simply do nothing.

- 1p 18 What is the risk when you pick up a 'frozen' iguana, according to paragraph 5?
- A It may attack you because you scared it.
 - B It may break its back before it warms up.
 - C It may scare other animals and bite them.

Text 5 The Paradise Court

- 4p 19 What are your options as a guest at The Paradise Court?
Read each of the following options and put X-marks under YES or NO.

At The Paradise Court you can ...	YES	NO
buy some groceries.		
dine on your own balcony.		
exercise on a bike machine.		
get your clothes washed.		
have your car washed and polished.		
hold a work meeting.		
prepare a meal in your room.		
use the pool.		

Text 6 The roots of invention

- 1p 20 Why are these root bridges essential, according to paragraph 1?
They are essential because
A calm streams in the rainforest require these bridges.
B fast-moving waters destroy conventional bridges.
C India is among the wettest places on earth.
D the Khasi people themselves can build them.
- 1p 21 What would be a suitable heading for paragraph 2? (on the dotted line)
A Disaster
B Luck
C Patience
D Speed
- 1p 22 What is said in paragraph 3 about the root bridges?
A They are strong and last long.
B They isolate the Khasi villages.
C You have to invest a lot of money in them.
D You need a lot of people to build them.

Text 7 Best Body Fitness

- 4p 23 Indicate for each of the following statements if it is true or false on the basis of the information in the flyer. *Use X-marks.*

statement	TRUE	FALSE
At this gym, you only exercise with an expert instructor.		
If you stop your membership, you have to pay a fine.		
Nutrition classes cost a little bit extra.		
The assessment session is free.		
The gym is open at 4 o'clock in the morning.		
This gym is more expensive than the other ones in the area.		
You can train individually or attend a group class.		
You get a personal training plan.		

Text 8 Rice farming

- 1p 24 Paragraph 1 suggests that this article was written for a specific target group, although everybody can read it.

Who was this article written for?

- A Aruban farmers
- B Aruban locals
- C cooks on Aruba
- D tourists on Aruba

- 1p 25 Paragraphs 2 and 3 refer to rice by a different term.

→ Write down this other term.

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- 3p 26 Paragraph 4 describes the sequence of steps in rice farming. These steps are listed in the table, but they are NOT in the correct order.

→ Use numbers 1 through 6 to indicate the correct order of the entire process. *Number 1 indicates what happens first, etc.*

step	number
The colors of the rice plants change.	
The farmers wait for the plants to grow.	
The picking of the rice plants begins.	
The rice is processed at the mill.	
The rice is removed from the plant.	
The rice plants are planted in paddies.	

Text 9 It's break time

- 1p 27 Paragraph 1 states: *'It's like a reset button ...'* What could be the function of this so-called 'reset button'?

- A Relieve your mind from irritations.
- B Remove your recent memories.
- C Restart your weight lifting program.

- 2p 28 Paragraph 1 uses two different words that have the meaning of 'smash'.
→ Which two words are these?

1

2

- 1p 29 According to paragraph 2, what is done with all the rubbish?

- A It is given to the smashers.
- B It is left the way it is.
- C It is repurposed.
- D It is thrown away.

- 2p 30 There are rage rooms in several US cities.

→ Read each of these statements and indicate with X-marks to which rage room (= in which city) it refers.

statement	Houston	Las Vegas	Seattle
One of the rooms resembles a gambling house.			
You can have festivities for kids in a rage room here.			
You can listen to whatever music you like in this rage room.			
You can pay extra to smash stuff in the shower here.			