## SAMPLE MATURITA EXAM - AUDIOSCRIPT

#### CD 3.20

#### Narrator 1: PART ONE

**Narrator 2:** Uslyšíte čtyři krátké nahrávky. Nejprve uslyšíte otázku a poté vyslechnete nahrávku. Na základě vyslechnutých nahrávek vyberte k úlohám 1–4 vždy jeden správný obrázek A–D.

#### Narrator 1: Part One. Question One

**A:** Have you heard about Colin's latest idea for his fancy dress party?

B: Don't tell me. He wants us to dress up as pirates!

**A:** Pirates? That's one idea he hasn't had yet! Aren't we a bit too old for that?

**B:** Well, his other idea is that we could dress up as characters from science fiction films.

**A:** Seriously? I'm not sure if that's such a good idea. Everyone will go to the party dressed as a robot. Can't we suggest something easier? We could all choose characters from our favourite fantasy serial, for example.

**B:** That sounds more like it. I'm seeing him later, so I'll suggest it to him.

**A:** Great. It would certainly be better than his very first idea. Do you remember? He once thought it would be good if we spent the evening dressed as fairy tale characters!

**B:** Well, at least he changed his mind about that one.

#### Narrator 1: Part One. Question Two

Caroline: Sally! Where were you this morning?

**Sally:** Hi Caroline. I overslept again! Did Ms. Andrews say anything about me not being in class?

**Caroline:** Yes, she wants you to go and see her in the next break, but she also gave us something to think about for that book that we're reading at the moment.

Sally: It sounds like I'm in more trouble. I've only read up to chapter two!

Caroline: Well, it's probably a good idea to read more over the weekend, but we were talking about the idea of doing a play for the rest of the school that is based on the book. In fact, we spent most of the lesson talking about it.

Sally: Really? That sounds interesting.

**Caroline:** I think that's why she wants to see you. You know you always get the best grades for writing, so she probably wants you to write a script.

**Sally:** (relieved) Sounds like I can relax then, but I don't like the idea of acting in front of all our mates.

#### Narrator 1: Part One. Question Three

**Sue:** ... and the title of Deborah Clark's work is 'Gone Forever?' Deborah, welcome. Can you tell us more?

**Deborah:** Thank you, Sue. What I did was question people about those everyday objects which, until quite recently, were such a big part of our lives. Because of more modern technology, however, many now seem to belong to the Stone Age.

Sue: What examples did people give you?

**Deborah:** Top of the list was the tape cassette. It's strange to think that not so long ago if people wanted to listen to music on the bus, for example, they needed something called a Walkman to do so. Of course, thanks to different ways of storing music, the CD is also likely to soon be 'gone forever'.

**Sue:** Did people only give examples of different forms of entertainment?

**Deborah:** No. Not surprisingly the old-fashioned landline telephone was also high on the list. Not many people have one at home now; we all seem to prefer our mobiles!

Sue: What about things that are found in the kitchen?

**Deborah:** That's an interesting point. It seems to be the one area where not much has changed. For example, many people think the microwave oven is hi-tech, but it was actually invented in the late 1940s! I think it will stay with us for some time.

**Sue:** Fascinating, Deborah. Our next speaker is here to discuss ...

#### Narrator 1: Part One. Question Four

**Richard:** Welcome to Gardeners' Question Time. Does anyone have a question?

**Listener:** Good evening, Richard. Last year I tried growing some carrots and lettuce. I was very sad when neither of them grew properly. I don't know what I did wrong.

**Richard:** Both of these vegetables need plenty of water, so it's very important to water them at least once a day.

**Listener:** Yes, I did that. I wonder what else could have been the problem.

**Richard:** Did you see if anything had eaten the leaves? Birds can be a huge problem, especially when growing lettuce.

**Listener:** Well, I did see that some of the leaves had holes in them. Perhaps I should cover them with some glass or plastic this year.

**Richard:** That would be a good idea. There was plenty of sunshine last year, so there's no way that lack of light was a problem.

**Listener:** I wonder if I should use some chemicals as well?

**Richard:** No, I think both of these plants will grow without using any chemicals. I think the problem was what we have already talked about.

**Listener:** Thank you for your help.

#### CD 3.21

#### Narrator 1: PART TWO

**Narrator 2:** Uslyšíte rozhovor dvou kamarádů ze školy. Na základě vyslechnuté nahrávky rozhodněte, zda jsou tvrzení v úlohách 5–12 pravdivá (P), nebo nepravdivá (N).

Chris: Hi Colin.

**Colin:** Have you heard that the local council is going ahead with the ring road? After years of people here protesting for one, it sounds like they've finally got what they wanted.

**Chris:** Yeah, it's good news. The traffic has even been waking me up at night. It's no wonder that I've been finding it hard to concentrate in class. Have you noticed that there's been a lot more heavy traffic than usual over the last few months?

**Colin:** Well, don't be too hopeful; those lorries aren't going to disappear overnight. The suggested start date for construction is in two year's time, so it's still going to be stressful for me cycling to school in the morning. I almost got knocked off by one of those lorries earlier this week. It was just coming out of that petrol station by the roundabout. Of course, the driver hadn't looked in the mirror properly before he pulled out; he actually blew his horn at me. I felt like it was my fault!

**Chris:** I don't know why you do it. There's no way I would cycle through town. And you even ride your bike during the wintertime.

**Colin:** You think I'm crazy, don't you? It's funny, but I haven't had a cold for the last two years. I think it's thanks to the fact that my way of getting to school means there aren't any people coughing and sneezing in your face.

**Chris:** Well, I still think it's too dangerous. I won't be joining you until they've finished building that cycle path they started last month.

#### CD 3.22

#### Narrator 1: PART THREE

Narrator 2: Uslyšíte část průvodcovského výkladu o Ridgeway. Na základě vyslechnuté nahrávky odpovězte na otázky 13–20. V odpovědích užijte nejvýše 3 slova. Čísla můžete zapisovat číslicemi.

Man: When you compare it to the rest of the world, England must be one of the smallest countries in existence. In spite of this fact, it has some very different landscapes. The best way to explore this natural beauty is by walking a long-distance footpath. If you're looking for an easy one to start with, I'd recommend the Ridgeway. It was opened in 1972 but a lot of it follows the route of much older paths used by our ancestors. The start point is close to the railway line just north of London, so it's really easy to get to. At around 160 kilometres, it's fairly short, which means it's possible to walk it comfortably in three to four days. Accommodation can be a bit of a problem, however. When I walked it, I took a tent and sleeping bag with me and just camped for the night by the side of the path, but if you want to sleep in a bed, there are pubs that offer bed and breakfast but they are not always conveniently located. One of the things I like most about the Ridgeway is the chance it gives me to explore English history – you know, places like Stonehenge – it actually stops 45 kilometres from Stonehenge, but a new path has just opened that links the Ridgeway with what is probably one of the most famous places in Britain after London.

However, if I'm honest with you, my favourite path is the coast path in Cornwall. Cornwall is that bit of Britain that sticks out into the Atlantic Ocean. As a result it's in the Gulf Stream, which is the current of warm water from the Caribbean, so don't be surprised if you see exotic plants such as banana trees growing in people's gardens! Again, when I've been, I've always stayed in a tent. There are loads of campsites, all with toilet and washing facilities. Some of them even have TV rooms and games equipment. As a result, prices can differ from site to site: the cheapest I paid last year was three pounds; the most expensive was twelve pounds! But it was well worth it just to spend a week on foot by the sea, with no traffic and some amazing scenery. There's even an open-air theatre, which puts on Shakespeare plays!

## CD 3.23

#### Narrator 1: PART FOUR

**Narrator 2:** Uslyšíte čtyři krátké nahrávky. Nejprve uslyšíte otázku a poté vyslechnete nahrávku. Na základě vyslechnutých nahrávek vyberte k úlohám 21–24 jednu správnou odpověď A–D.

# Narrator 1: Question Twenty-one. How does the speaker feel about fur in fashion?

**Girl:** Whenever I'm on public transport, I always play a counting game. It's usually a case of seeing how many people are using their mobiles, but last week I started counting people wearing animal fur. I know that it's winter, so it's important to keep warm. But that doesn't explain the amount of fur in fashion at the moment: it's everywhere! And I'm not talking about fur coats, which must cost a fortune, but little bits of fur stuck on coats, hats and boots. I even saw people with balls of fur hanging from their bags. OK, I know that a lot of it is fake, but it still promotes the idea that fur is fashionable. Don't they realise that they are supporting an industry that is based on the cruel exploitation of beautiful living creatures that are bred simply to feed this demand for fur? If they don't, it's terrible!

# Narrator 1: Question Twenty-two. Why did the speaker go on the trip?

Man: I've lived away from home for several years now but I still like to meet up and spend quality time with my mum whenever there's a chance. Last summer is a good example. My mum was born in Yorkshire, which is in the north of England, and she still talks about her childhood there. We drove there in my car: it's possible to get there in a couple of hours on the motorway, which meant we saw some of the places that my mum hadn't been to for years. We even found time to call on my mum's old school friend. She wasn't expecting us, so you can imagine the reaction!

# Narrator 1: Question Twenty-three. Why did the speaker's swimming improve?

**Woman:** I first started going swimming five or six years ago. I realised that I was doing very little exercise. Because it had been such a long time since I had last been in a pool, I felt very embarrassed to begin with, and not because of standing in front of the mirror in a swimsuit! It was because I had forgotten how to swim! I almost gave up, then I thought I would have to take lessons. And it slowly started to come back to me. After a year I started trying different techniques. I bought some goggles and began to swim with my head under the water. I can now swim 1,500 metres in about forty minutes. That is so much better than when I first started going. I think my success is down to the fact that I have a strong personality.

# Narrator 1: Question Twenty-four. What is the speaker not happy about?

Man: I'm very excited at the moment because my boss let me combine last year's holidays with this year's, so next week I'm flying to New Zealand. It's going to be amazing. The only downside is the journey there. First I'm flying from London to Dubai, where I'll be spending one night. I won't have any chance to see the city: I land late in the evening and take off early the next morning, but the airline is providing a night's accommodation in a hotel close to the airport for free. I'll need all the sleep I can get because the next flight lasts thirteen hours and takes me to Sydney, in Australia. I'm glad that I can order vegetarian meals for the flight. After that it's the shortest flight: four hours to Wellington, which is the capital of New Zealand. Because of all jet lag from so many flights, it might be a few days before I'm ready to do any sightseeing!

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## SAMPLE MATURITA EXAM - ANSWER KEY

# DIDAKTICKÝ TEST - POSLECH, ČTENÍ A JAZYKOVÁ KOMPETENCE

#### POSLECH

#### 1. ČÁST ÚLOHY 1-4

- **1 C** dragons, wizards, etc.
- 2 D a pen and pile of paper
- 3 D a microwave oven
- 4 B birds

#### 2. ČÁST ÚLOHY 5-12

- **5** N Local residents are opposed to the plans.
- 6 P Chris has been experiencing problems at school.
- **7** N Chris thinks Colin is too optimistic.
- 8 N Work on the new road has already begun.
- 9 N Colin was hurt in a traffic accident recently.
- 10 P The lorry driver was driving carelessly.
- 11 P Colin thinks there's less risk of infection on a bicycle.
- **12** P Cycling in the town will soon be a lot safer.

### 3. ČÁST ÚLOHY 13-20

- **13** 1972
- 14 railway line
- 15 160 km
- 16 in a/his tent
- 17 Stonehenge
- 18 the coast path
- 19 exotic plants / banana trees
- 20 twelve pounds

#### 4. ČÁST ÚLOHY 21-24

- 21 B It's wrong that animals die for fashion.
- 22 B He enjoys his mum's company.
- 23 B Because she is the type of person who refuses to give up.
- 24 D The journey is taking so long.

## ČTENÍ A JAZYKOVÁ KOMPETENCE

#### 5. ČÁST ÚLOHY 25-29

- 25 D They were amazed after so many centuries of not seeing the bird.
- 26 A It's largely bought by older people who wish to relive their youth.
- 27 B They had wanted it to become a regular event.
- **28 D** Someone who likes traditionally made, long-lasting things.
- **29** A have a different set of priorities to travellers in the past.

#### 6. ČÁST ÚLOHY 30-39

- 30 At one time, the Spencer family had to sell Althorp. N
- **31** The current owner of Althorp has restored the house to its original appearance. **N**
- **32** In the past, you could only visit the house if you were rich or famous. **P**
- **33** It's not necessary to buy a ticket for Althorp if you only want a cup of tea. **N**
- **34** Sulgrave must have been uncomfortable to live in at times in the past. **P**
- **35** The original Althorp and Sulgrave houses were built around the same time. **P**
- **36** Photography is prohibited inside Althorp and Sulgrave. **N**
- **37** Both Althorp and Sulgrave have famous foreign connections. **N**
- **38** Both houses offer additional attractions for special occasions. **N**
- **39** Althorp and Sulgrave were once owned by people related to each other. **P**

## 7. ČÁST ÚLOHY 40-44

- **40 C** He didn't have safe equipment.
- **41 B** It was easier than being on a bicycle.
- **42 C** The process took longer than he expected.
- **43 B** They could stay for free at a relative's house.
- **44 D** He started to think about his own adventures.

#### 8. ČÁST ÚLOHY 45-49

- 45 Toni F
- **46** Peter and Nawaz **C**
- 47 Rachel and her friend Ulrike B
- 48 Clive A
- 49 Harry and Poppy E

### 9. ČÁST ÚLOHY 50-64

<b>50 A</b> used	<b>55 A</b> this	<b>60</b> C comes
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<b>53 B</b> out	<b>58 C</b> older	<b>63 B</b> into
<b>54 A</b> may	<b>59 A</b> them	<b>64 A</b> Whatever

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# PÍSEMNÁ PRÁCE

#### 1. ČÁST

#### Model answer

## Like Mother, Like Daughter?

It's always difficult and expensive to stay fashionable. The fashion industry produces a 'new look' every six months. Recently, a new trend has become noticeable. Clothes shops have started selling grown-up styles for girls around the age of fifteen!

When I was a teenager, there were different fashions for youngsters and for adults and nobody would think of mixing things up. I remember my Party Girl T-shirt! – the ever-present element of group identity in fashion for teenagers. I remember I chose it myself!

It's surprising for me therefore that some women now want to dress their daughters as if they were smaller versions of themselves. This is wrong. Firstly, it looks ridiculous. Secondly, it limits young people's freedom to make their individual choices. I wouldn't like my mum to tell me what to wear

I would be curious to hear your views on the subject. Email your thoughts to our magazine.

#### 2. ČÁST

#### Model answer

# Recycling and You: Important information for all residents.

Dear residents,

The new recycling facilities are now open. As a result, new regulations for rubbish collection will be introduced next week. These will reduce the time spent sorting rubbish at the recycling centre.

Please place all glass, plastic and paper in the appropriate bin

If you have any questions, a meeting will take place on Friday at 7.00 P.M. at the local school, where experts will give advice.