

**BMS 2 Entry Exam 2010****(Time: 45 minutes)**

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**PART 1A READING COMPREHENSION (15 minutes)****Please read the following text carefully, then do the task on the next page.****ANTARCTICA SIGHTSEEING FLIGHTS WEBSITE *Next flight 31 December!***

Welcome to the website. Here is all you need to know before booking a flight.

During the brief Antarctic summer, Antarctica Sightseeing Flights takes tourists in a full-size passenger plane (Boeing 747) from Sydney, Australia, over the continent of Antarctica and back.

Flight dates for next year are not definite yet, but if you make a booking now, your deposit is transferable if we need to change the day.

**Questions**

These are answers to the most frequently asked questions about Antarctica Sightseeing Flights.

*How long is the flight?*

The average flight is 12 hours. About four hours into the flight, we usually see the first sea ice and icebergs. We spend four hours over Antarctica and the remaining time travelling home. On the way to and from the continent, Antarctica experts who have lived on scientific research stations give talks on the environment and history, and answer questions. A camera next to the pilot, which is linked to the video system on board, gives you a pilot's eye view throughout, from take-off to landing.

*Will I get a seat next to a window?*

All passengers are given two boarding passes. At the halfway point of the flight, passengers are asked to move to the seat shown on their second boarding pass. Business and first class passengers will have a window seat for half of the flight and a next-to-window seat for the other half. Economy passengers will have a window seat or the seat next to a window seat for half of the flight and an end of row seat for the other half of the flight. While over Antarctica, we encourage passengers to get up from their seats and move about the plane, allowing everyone to share the sightseeing opportunities. The pilot flies in a long 'figure 8' over various points of interest to allow these amazing sights to be seen equally well from both sides of the plane.

*What happens if the weather is bad?*

We have 17 different approved flight plans. Our captain looks at the satellite cloud picture on the morning of the flight and selects the direction which promises the clearest views.

*Will I see penguins and other wildlife?*

As most Antarctic wildlife live at sea level, over 3,000 metres below the plane, we can't see them in any detail. We do not land on Antarctica, primarily for environmental reasons. To experience Antarctic wildlife, you would need to join a boat tour.

*Can I take photographs?*

Definitely! All cameras are welcome. We even provide a few fun onboard photo opportunities where you can experience what it is like to wear Antarctic cold weather clothes.

**Look at the sentences below about tourist flights over the continent of Antarctica.  
Read the text on the previous page to decide if each sentence is true or false.  
Tick (☑) the right box and correct the wrong statements.**

**Example:**

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0. You can do the Antarctica Sightseeing tour from destinations throughout the world.

*You can only do the tour from Sydney, Australia.*

1. Sightseeing flights to Antarctica are available for a limited period of the year.

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2. You may have to book a flight without being certain when it will take place.

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3. Passengers have views of Antarctic scenery for more than half their flight.

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4. Passengers can speak to people who have experience in working in Antarctica.

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5. Special video equipment operates during the whole flight.

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6. People are asked to stay in their seats so that everybody has a good view.

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7. There is an advantage in sitting on one particular side of the plane.

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8. Before departure, the pilot chooses between a number of possible routes.

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9. A special attraction of the trip is having clear views of Antarctic wildlife.

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10. Passengers have the chance to put on clothes designed for travel in Antarctica.

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**PART 2 GRAMMAR** (10 minutes)

Tick (✓) the correct answer.

Example: 0. Are you good  at ✓  in  of English?

1. I would like  to buy  buying  buy  a Rolls Royce.
2. It is  more hard  harder  more harder  to learn to drive than I thought.
3. I  have send  am sent  have sent  five emails this morning.
4. Can you  say me  tell to me  tell me  the time, please?
5.  Have you watched  Did you watch  Did you watched  the new film last night?
6. It is snowing hard. Peter, you really  must  have  mustn't  put on your winter coat today!
7. My car wasn't as expensive  like  than  as  yours.
8. If we don't go now,  we will be  we would be  we are  late.
9. He  have  don't have  hasn't got  a car in his garage.
10. They speak English very  good  well  better .
11. How long  are you living  do you live  have you lived  in London? For three years and I love it!
12.  There  Their  They're  wedding anniversary is on Sunday.
13. I work for a company  what  who  which  produces furniture.
14.  We are usually going  We usually go  We go usually  to work by bus.
15. The sun  was shining  shone  were shine  when she left the house.
16.  In  At  On  New Year's Day we often go to the theatre.
17.  Who  Where  How  lives there? - An American.
18. We don't have  much  many  little  money.
19. There isn't  no  any  some  tea left in the pot, sorry.
20. Is that the door bell?  I'll go  I go  I am going  and check who it is.

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**PART 3A VOCABULARY (5 minutes)**

Read the text below and choose the correct word for each space.

Tick (✓) the correct letter **A, B, C or D**. – **Don't write the word or letters into the text.**

**The Rockies**

The Rocky Mountains run almost the length (0) ..... North America.

They start in the north-west, but lie only a (1) ..... hundred miles from the centre in more southern areas. Although the Rockies are smaller (2) ..... the Alps, they are no less wonderful.

There are many roads across the Rockies, (3) ..... the best way to see them is to (4) ..... by train. You start from Vancouver, (5) ..... most attractive of Canada's big cities.

Standing with its feet in the water and its head in the mountains, this city (6) ..... its inhabitants to ski on slopes just 15 minutes by car from the city (7) ..... .

Thirty passenger trains a day used to (8) ..... off from Vancouver on the cross-continent railway. Now there are just three a week, but the ride is still a great adventure. You sleep on board, (9) ..... is fun, but travel through some of the best (10) ..... at night.

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| 0  | A of ✓    | B down    | C in     | D through |
| 1  | A many    | B lot     | C few    | D couple  |
| 2  | A from    | B to      | C as     | D than    |
| 3  | A but     | B because | C unless | D since   |
| 4  | A drive   | B travel  | C ride   | D pass    |
| 5  | A a       | B one     | C the    | D its     |
| 6  | A lets    | B allows  | C offers | D gives   |
| 7  | A centre  | B circle  | C middle | D heart   |
| 8  | A leave   | B get     | C take   | D set     |
| 9  | A when    | B which   | C who    | D where   |
| 10 | A scenery | B view    | C vision | D beauty  |

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## PART 3B VOCABULARY (5 minutes)

Choose for each gap the correct word or expression from the list below. There are more words than gaps. Don't use any of the words more **than once**.

- 1 'How long does it .....to get to the train station?' 'About 2 hours.'
- 2 I've got a dental ..... at 3 o'clock.
- 3 Why do you ..... to accept that there is a problem?
- 4 I'm going to ..... the game Manchester United/Liverpool.
- 5 He doesn't know how to make this soup; he needs a .....
- 6 It's a secret, ..... not to tell anyone!
- 7 'He was late again.' 'What excuse did he ..... this time?'
- 8 This drink doesn't ..... any alcohol.
- 9 I'm ..... waiting for her, I'm going now.
- 10 We live further down on the ..... side of the road.

invite	heavy	refuse	look	contain	little	promise
argument	disappear	difficult	watch	appointment	recipe	
take	invent	opposite	fed up with			

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Reading and Writing: \_\_\_\_\_ / 20 pts.

Grammar: \_\_\_\_\_ / 20 pts.

Vocabulary: \_\_\_\_\_ / 20 pts.

**Total: \_\_\_\_\_ / 60 pts.**