

BMS 2 Entry Exam 2007**(Time: 45 minutes)**

Name: First Name:

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PART 1 Reading Comprehension and Writing (25 minutes)**Please read the following text carefully, then do Tasks A + B.****THE MILLENNIUM STADIUM, CARDIFF**

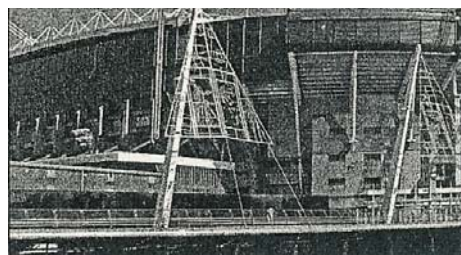
A new sports stadium opened in Cardiff, capital of Wales, in June 1999. The stadium stands proudly over the city as there aren't many other high buildings. It was built on the site of the world-famous Cardiff Arms Park rugby stadium.

The original Cardiff Arms Park was a piece of ground next to the River Taff, given to the city residents in 1803 by the Marquis of Bute. The idea was that it would be used for leisure activities. The first sporting event on the piece of ground was in 1848 when a cricket match was organised but it wasn't until 1881 that the first seating area of 300 seats was built. Over the next hundred years, Cardiff Arms Park became well known as a location for many important rugby matches.

By the 1990s it had become clear that the stadium was no longer big enough. At that time, there was room for 53,000 people in the Cardiff stadium (including 11,000 standing). This total number would soon be reduced by a law on safety which stopped people standing in stadiums.

A number of different choices were looked at. One was to expand the size of the existing stadium, increasing the number of seats by one-third. Another suggestion was to find another site¹ somewhere in Cardiff to build a new stadium. But in the end it was decided to knock down the old stadium and build a new one on the same site.

Work began on 27 April 1997. It was the first stadium in Britain to have a moving roof so the whole stadium can be covered if it rains or the roof can be left open if it is fine. Another successful design feature² is that wherever you sit in the stadium you have an excellent view, even if you're in one of the corners.



The stadium is just a few minutes' walk from the Central Station with bus stops nearby so it is in a perfect location. If you happen to be in Cardiff, you can take a tour of the stadium. Climb to the top and enjoy the views, run down the players' tunnel and imagine yourself being cheered by 72,000 people or visit the changing rooms, training rooms and medical rooms. Tours take place Monday–Saturday (first tour departs 10am, last tour departs 5pm), Sundays and public holidays (first tour departs 10am, last tour departs 4pm), but there are no tours on match or event days. Tours leave from Gate 3 (Westgate Street). You should arrive 10 minutes before the departure of the tour and payment is due upon arrival. For prices of a Millennium Stadium Tour call 029 2082 2228.

¹ site = Standort

² feature = Kennzeichen, Merkmal

Task A Reading Comprehension

Read the text “THE MILLENIUM STADIUM, CARDIFF”
to decide if each sentence is true or false.

→ If it’s true, tick T If it’s false, tick F and correct the false statements.

Example:

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| 0. It was built on the site of the Cardiff Arms Park football stadium.
<i>... It was built on the site of the rugby stadium.</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
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| 1. The stadium is taller than most other buildings in Cardiff.
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| 2. Seats were built before the first sporting event at Cardiff Arms Park.
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| 3. New rules meant fewer people would be able to watch a match in the stadium.
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| 4. The idea of building a new stadium in a different part of the city was considered.
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| 5. It is possible to change the position of the roof depending on the weather.
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| 6. Seats in the middle of the stadium have a better view than those in the corners.
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| 7. The stadium is easy to reach by public transport.
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| 8. On a tour, it is possible to see the parts of the stadium used by players.
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| 9. The last tour finishes at 4pm on a Sunday.
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| 10. Tours should be booked and paid for by phone in advance.
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Task B Writing

Write a text (100 - 120 words).

Choose **one** of the two topics.

Topic 1

‘People take football too seriously‘

Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Give reasons.

Topic 2:

Sport is an important part of my life.

Explain why, say if you prefer individual or team sport and give reasons.

Topic Nr.

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PART 2 Grammar (10 minutes)

Tick the correct answer, please.

Example: 0. This is are be a true story.

1. This song is as good as so good as as well as Madonna's.
2. Maria is living lives live a long way from her office.
3. Maria doesn't often take often don't take isn't often taking a taxi.
4. She got up too late for catch to catch to catching the bus yesterday.
5. This is a school where which who has up-to-date equipment.
6. We have been best friends three years ago for three years since three years .
7. What did you do did you have you done this week?
8. Went she Did she go Do she went to the shop five minutes ago?
9. Which Whose Who's book is this? - It's Peter's.
10. Are there some any much biscuits in the box? - No, none.
11. Peter and Susan live in this house. It is her their there house.
12. I mustn't don't have to haven't got to go to school today. It's Sunday.
13. I went for a walk for for to to get some fresh air.
14. I think the a — public transport is cheap and comfortable.
15. Why are you going to the shops? - Because I'll buy I'm going to buy I'm buying a newspaper.
16. It costs much many a lot of money to buy a car.
17. There is a car park anywhere everywhere somewhere in the city centre.
18. I liked the elephants more as more than morer any other animal in the zoo.
19. His party is Tuesday 8'clock.
 in / at on / at at / on .
20. Have you finished writing to write write that letter yet?

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PART 3 Vocabulary

Vocabulary A (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.

Levi Strauss

In 1853, Levi Strauss (0) to San Francisco from New York. His brothers (1) a business there selling pillows, blankets and clothes and Levi wanted to help them. He worked (2) and, over the (3) twenty years, he expanded the business.

(4) day in 1872, Levi (5) a letter from Jacob Davies who made men's clothes. In the letter Jacob (6) Levi about a difficult customer. He kept (7) tearing the pockets of his trousers. Jacob had found an answer – he had added some metal to the corners of the pockets. Levi recognized a business opportunity (8) the two men started working together. They decided to (9) some trousers out of denim, a material which was suitable for working clothes. The first pair of denim blue jeans was produced in 1873. Today people all around the world (10) Levi jeans every day.

0 A travelled ✓	B departed	C toured	D visited
1 A controlled	B ran	C influenced	D bought
2 A long	B strong	C heavy	D hard
3 A next	B later	C last	D final
4 A That	B One	C A	D The
5 A realised	B fetched	C got	D got
6 A said	B told	C discussed	D described
7 A on	B at	C up	D in
8 A while	B but	C so	D since
9 A fix	B mend	C made	D make
10 A become	B wear	C wore	D carry

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Vocabulary B (5 minutes)

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

1. To find your way around in a foreign city you need a
2. Do you know how it is from here to the airport?
3. This actor isn't really suited for films, he is better on
4. You need a key to the door.
5. During the concert I could a lot of photos of the band.
6. There is no need to be the dog, he is kept on the leash.
7. I don't know I can come to your party tomorrow.
8. It was great to all those gifts for my birthday.
9. What do you for your future?

afraid of	become	close	far	lock
map	map	plan	receive	scary
stage	take	weather	whether	wide

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Reading Comprehension and Writing: _____ / 20 pts.

Grammar: _____ / 20 pts.

Vocabulary: _____ / 20 pts.

Total: _____ / 60 pts.