

## Beispiele aus Aufnahmeprüfungen zur Vorbereitung im Fach Englisch

### I. GRAMMAR

#### **A Mixed Bag**

*Complete the text with the correct forms of the words in brackets; add prepositions where necessary.*

England: World Cup losers

Fans and experts try \_\_\_\_\_ (understand) why the national team failed again.

England \_\_\_\_\_ (be) the birthplace of football. It has some of the world's \_\_\_\_\_ (talented) and best paid players... So every time England \_\_\_\_\_ (play) in an international competition, fans believe they have a great chance \_\_\_\_\_ (win). But every time since the 1966 World Cup, the fans \_\_\_\_\_ (disappoint).

After England's 4-1 defeat by a brilliant young German team in this year's World Cup, the Sun newspaper \_\_\_\_\_ (sum) up the feelings of many England fans: "You let your country down."

In South Africa, England \_\_\_\_\_ (play) four matches: they \_\_\_\_\_ (draw) two, \_\_\_\_\_ (lose) one and \_\_\_\_\_ (win) one. They never looked like a team that was going to win the trophy, and their biggest stars were even bigger disappointments. Football fans all over the world \_\_\_\_\_ (look forward/ watch) players like Wayne Rooney, who \_\_\_\_\_ (score) 34 goals for Manchester United last season.

Source: Read On, August 2010, p.1

#### **B Passive**

*Turn the following sentences into the passive voice.*

a) Jordan's parents accompany their son on every trip.

\_\_\_\_\_

b) The school allowed him to only choose basketball.

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#### **C Reported Speech**

*Put the sentences into reported speech.*

a) Ben: "I have always done my homework to be a good student!"

Ben admitted \_\_\_\_\_

b) Sue: "My parents gave me a huge present two years ago."

Sue said \_\_\_\_\_

## **II. WORKING WITH A TEXT**

Michael Joseph Jackson’s story was a quintessentially American tale of celebrity and excess that took him from musical boy wonder to global pop superstar to sad figure haunted by lawsuits, paparazzi and failed plastic surgery.

At the height of his career, he was indisputably the biggest star in the world; he has sold more than 750 million albums. He spent a lifetime surprising people, in recent years largely because of a surreal personal life, shocking scandals, serial plastic surgeries and eccentric public behavior that have turned him – on his very best days – into the target of late-night talk-shows jokes and tabloid headlines. He died at age 50 in Los Angeles on June 25, 2009.

Mr. Jackson’s death itself became an enormous spectacle. On television and on the Internet, tens of millions of people worldwide watched a memorial service at the Staples Center in Los Angeles.

The cause of Mr. Jackson’s death was a mixture of powerful pills and drugs, according to the Los Angeles County Coroner office. The manner of death was determined to be homicide. Mr. Jackson’s personal doctor, Conrad Murray, who tried to revive Mr. Jackson on the day he died, is the focus of a murder investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department.

The introduction to Mr. Jackson’s Rock and Roll Hall of Fame entry seemed apt as a global audience followed reports of his hospitalization and then death: “Michael Jackson is a singer, songwriter, dancer and celebrity icon with a vast catalog of hit records and countless awards to his credit. Beyond that, he has influenced the world like few entertainers before or since. As a solo performer, he has enjoyed a level of superstardom previously known only to Elvis Presley, the Beatles and Frank Sinatra.”

*<https://www.nytimes.com/2009/06/26/arts/music/26jackson.html> (Jan.30, 2010)*

*Answer in complete sentences and use your own words as far as possible. Do not copy from the text.*

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## **III. GIVING AN OPINION**

Is fashion important? (Write about 80 – 100 words)

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*Jordan is accompanied by his parents on every trip.*

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*He was allowed to only choose basketball (by the school).*

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*Ben admitted he had always done his homework to be a good student.*

b) Sue: "My parents gave me a huge present two years ago."

*Sue said her parents had given her a huge present two years before.*

## **II. WORKING WITH A TEXT**

*Answer in complete sentences and use your own words as far as possible. Do not copy from the text.*

Explain why Michel Jackson is such an ambivalent character.

- *a very famous and successful celebrity*
- *talented in different fields (singing, dancing, song writing)*
- *made it in the Hall of Fame, earned awards*
- *huge influence on people*
- *extravagant behavior (shocking, disapproval among the public)*
- *plastic surgery, drug and medicine abuse*

*you should answer in complete sentences, use linking words and a clear structure*

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*Individual answers*