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THE READING SECTION**

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- Common resolutions
- Grammar – future tenses
- New Year's traditions

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HOW TO PREPARE FOR THE EXAMINATION

- Find out the format of the exam.
- Practise with sample test questions.
- Give yourself enough time to study!

ENGLISH LANGUAGE TESTING OFFICIAL EXAMS

- Academic English Language
IELTS – TOEFL
- Business English Language
BULATS – TOEIC
- General English Language
FCE First Certificate

ACADEMIC ENGLISH - TEST FORMAT TOEFL & IELTS

TOEFL	IELTS
60-80 minutes	60 minutes
3 or 4 passages from academic texts to read.	Short and long texts
Questions based on the passages.	40 questions – multiple choice, matching information, short-answers etc..

BUSINESS ENGLISH - TEST FORMAT BULATS & TOEIC

BULATS	TOEIC
60 minutes – part of the listening section	75 minutes
Adaptive test, no fixed number of questions. Multiple choice, gapped sentences, extended reading	Incomplete sentences, error recognition, comprehension
Questions based on the texts (250 words)	100 questions based on a range of reading materials

GENERAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE - TEST FORMAT

FCE FIRST CERTIFICATE

FIRST CERTIFICATE

- 75 minutes
- 7 parts
- Types of texts: fiction, newspapers and magazines
- Types of questions: multiple choice, open cloze, missing sentences etc.

STUDY TIPS FOR ALL READING EXAMS

Before the exam	During the exam
Practice using sample tests	Read and answer the questions carefully. Don't deviate.
Practice reading from a wide range of sources: news articles, fiction, biographies, blogs, reviews	You may not understand every word in the text – don't panic!
Write summaries, keep a word list – vocabulary, phrasal verbs and idioms	Check your spelling and proofread your answers

EXAMPLES

TYPES OF QUESTIONS: MULTIPLE CHOICE

According to the text, social networks

_____.

- are being used by businesses for marketing.
- are about friendships.
- can damage business reputations.
- advertise on business web sites.

TYPES OF QUESTIONS: GAP FILLING

Paul Brown resigned last Monday from his position as _____ executive of the company.

- (A) fine
- (B) chief
- (C) front
- (D) large

TYPES OF QUESTIONS: TRUE/FALSE/NOT GIVEN

Do the following statements agree with the information given in Reading Passage 1?

1. The rise and fall of sea levels affects how sea creatures behave.
2. Most animals are active during the daytime.
3. A 'night person' can still have a healthy circadian rhythm.
4. Naturally-produced vegetables have more nutritional value.

LET'S PRACTICE TOGETHER!

ANSWER IN THE COMMENTS BELOW

1. Give 2 tips to successfully pass a reading exam.

ANSWER IN THE COMMENTS BELOW

2. Give examples of how you can improve your reading skills.

ANSWER IN THE COMMENTS BELOW

3. How can you build up your vocabulary skills?

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QUESTIONS!**

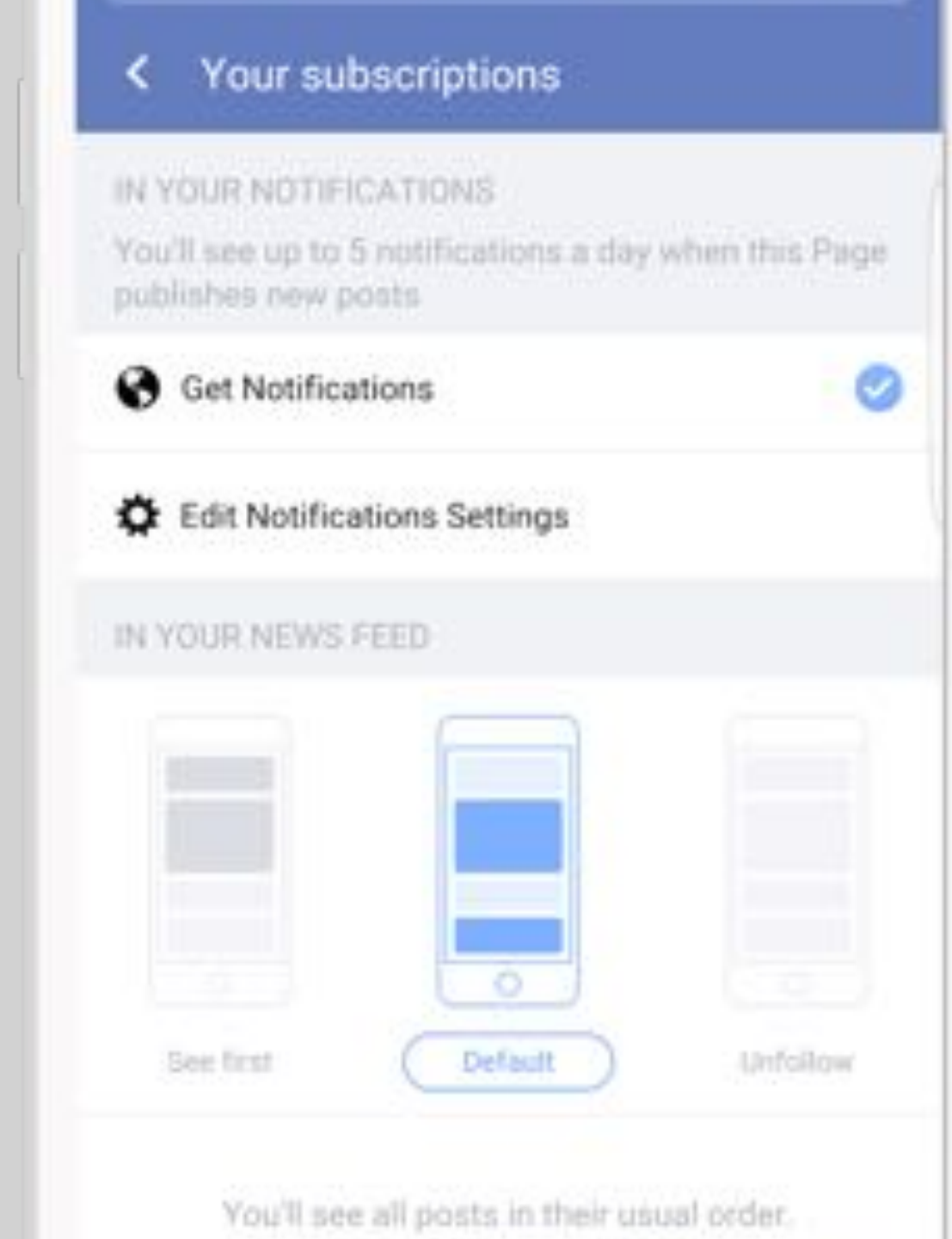
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