

Voorbeeld casus mondeling college-examen

Examenvak en niveau	Engels vmbo TL/GL
Naam kandidaat	
Examennummer	
Examencommissie	
Datum	
Voorbereidingstijd	20 minuten
Titel voorbereidingsopdracht	Adopt-a-Pig

Instructie

Bestudeer bijgevoegde voorbereidingsopdracht. Uw mondeling examen begint straks met een gesprek over deze casus.

Ter voorbereiding op uw examen kunt u:

- de inhoud van de casus kort samenvatten.
- als er vragen onder de casus staan, deze voor uzelf beantwoorden.

Hulpmiddelen

Bij deze voorbereidingsopdracht mag u gebruik maken van:

• de woordenboeken Engels-Nederlands en Nederlands-Engels

Het is toegestaan op de voorbereidingsopdracht aantekeningen te maken.

Aan het eind van de voorbereidingstijd haalt een van de examinatoren u op.

Dit is een voorbeeld, de tekst komt niet op het examen.

Adopt-a-Pig



Sarah Todd meets a teenager who offers full pigsty-to-plate traceability

1 It is generally difficult to prise teenage boys away from playing computer games and listening to music, but 18-year-old Duncan Turnbull is not your average adolescent. He was only 15 when he launched Adopt-a-Pig, a scheme whereby customers pay a £50 deposit to choose and name a newborn piglet, visit it as often as they like and keep abreast of its progress via a website photo gallery.

2 When the time comes, seven months later, for the animal to be slaughtered there's a tough choice to make: are you after a hog roast, pork for roasting – complete with a layer of crispy crackling –, or would you be more interested in Duncan's 98 per cent meat sausages and bacon rashers? Friends and family often join forces to adopt a pig and share out the meat between them. The final bill is usually between £200 and £300 for the whole pig, depending on the cuts chosen. Given the quality and provenance of Duncan's meat, it's surprisingly good value. A pig's worth of anonymous pork products at a supermarket would cost somewhere between £150 and £200.

3 Meeting Hilda – Duncan's first pig and the one that got him interested in the endangered Oxford Sandy & Black breed – and her litter of eight adorable piglets made me wonder whether anybody's resolve has weakened once the end has come. "Not after I've explained that this isn't an animal sanctuary or a charity," says Duncan. "It's a meat business. It's not as if the person who adopts the animal is signing its death warrant – the pigs are going to be slaughtered anyway.

The choice is the customers'. They can keep going to the supermarket, picking up pieces of meat that they know nothing about, and have no idea of the pig's living conditions or diet, or adopt one and follow its progress every step of the way."

4 The majority of Duncan's clients are parents keen for their children to understand the link between animals and the food on their table. Some drive as far as 200 miles to see their pig at his parents' 20-acre smallholding near York. Others indulge in the scheme's 'optional extras', such as postcards and notepaper personalized with a picture of their chosen pig.

5 Duncan is outside by 6.30am to give them their food (as natural as possible) before heading off to study for his A-levels. Once he gets home, there is an hour's worth of emails and paperwork to deal with before the evening feed. On Friday evenings he goes to the local brewery to collect waste malting barley which, he says, adds to the taste of the meat. He has school on Saturday, so Sunday is a busy day spent mucking out and doing other chores.

6 With an annual turnover of around £10,000 and projections of over £25,000 next year, Duncan's enterprise is no longer a laughing matter among his school friends. In fact, three of them went with him to last month's Salone del Gusto food fair in Turin to try to break into the international market. His plans to promote British meat impressed the Department of Trade and Industry sufficiently for an £1,800 grant towards the trip. "We had quite a few languages between us and soon got into our sales patter," explains Duncan. "Mind you, the food did most of the talking, especially when we started offering freshly-cooked bacon and sausages."

7 With university on the horizon, there's every possibility that Duncan, who started in business at the age of 12 breeding ducks, will spend a gap year taking care of his business rather than backpacking around the world. "I'm happy to continue with the management side," he says. "But, of course, there will have to be staffing in place to look after the pigs."

Questions:

- 1. Could you tell in your own words what this text is about?
- 2. Would you be interested in adopting a pig? Why or why not?
- 3. In the text you can find the word "charity" Could you explain what this word means and give some examples?
- 4. In the beginning of the text you can read about the fact that a lot of young people play computer games. Do you have any experience with these games?