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LONDON BLUE BADGE TOURIST GUIDE EXAMINATIONS

16th June 2025 at 18:30 hrs

PAPER THREE: LONDON

Time allowed: TWO HOURS (120 MINUTES)

The paper is in TWO sections:

SECTION A Comprises 150 short-answer questions. Answer **ALL** of them.
(Recommended time is 70 minutes).
This section is worth 60%.

SECTION B Answer **TWO** questions from a choice of five
Give your answers in note form or bullet points.
Recommended time 50 minutes for Section B (25 minutes per question).
This section is worth 40%.

Notes

1. Please write your candidate number at the top of this page and at the top right hand corner of every page. The Invigilator has your number.
2. **SECTION A**: The answers should be written in the boxes provided next to the questions.
3. **SECTION B**:
 - The answers should be written on **both** sides of the lined pages at the end of the examination booklet.
 - In **Section B**, please start each question **on a new page**.
4. All names should include first name and family name, unless otherwise specified.
5. Please write legibly in pen.
6. Please deposit your completed paper as instructed by the Invigilator.

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SECTION A

Worth 60%

HISTORY

1	In which year did the Great Exhibition take place in Hyde Park?	
2	Name ONE country Lascars originated from.	
3	In which building did the trial of Charles I take place?	
4	Who is represented by the golden grasshopper above the Royal Exchange?	
5	In which <u>month and year</u> did the Great Fire of London happen?	
6	Name ONE of the London docks closed in the 1980s.	
7	Name the world's oldest river race held in London every July.	
8	On which Mayfair street was Queen Elizabeth II born?	
9	Which gallery now stands on the Millbank Prison site?	

10	In approximately which year was the Roman Wall built around the City of London?	
11	Which king met the leader of the Peasant's Revolt at Smithfield in 1381?	
12	In which century was the Bevis Marks synagogue opened?	
13	Which company did the women who went on strike in Dagenham in 1968 work for?	
14	Which religious site did the Carthusians found in 1371?	
15	Give ONE decade in which Charles Booth's poverty maps were created.	
16	What is the family name of the Dukes of Westminster?	
17	In which monarch's reign was the '50 New Churches Act' passed?	
18	Name the suffragist who has a statue in Parliament Square.	
19	Name the art gallery which has its 25th anniversary this year.	
20	Name the American philanthropist who, in the 1860s, donated money to build housing for the working poor.	

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

21	During which century was the Chapter House Built?	
22	On what <u>day, month and year</u> was Edward the Confessor's church consecrated?	
23	Name ONE 20th century <u>saint</u> represented on the West Front.	
24	Name ONE of the founders of the Benedictine monastery on this site in around 960 AD.	
25	In which century was the Abbey briefly given cathedral status?	
26	In which city is the Stone of Scone now displayed?	
27	Name ONE place in Westminster Abbey where medieval wall paintings can still be viewed.	
28	Why are groups not allowed entry on weekdays between noon and 1pm?	

TOWER OF LONDON

29	Name the present Constable of the Tower of London.	
30	Name ONE crown that has contained the Koh-i-Noor diamond.	
31	What specific position does Michael 'Barney' Chandler hold at the Tower of London?	
32	Name the Tower where examples of prisoner graffiti may be viewed.	
33	How is the Tower of London commemorating the 80 th anniversary of VE Day this year?	
34	Name the Master of the Mint at the end of the 17 th century.	
35	Name ONE important prisoner who was held in the Bell Tower and then executed.	
36	Name TWO locations within the Tower of London where guiding is <u>not</u> allowed at any time of the year.	i) ii)

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL

37	Name the first bishop to dedicate a cathedral to St Paul on the present site.	
38	Which royal couple married in St Paul's Cathedral in 1501?	
39	By whose tomb can you find the inscription <i>Lector, si monumentum requiris, circumspice?</i>	
40	Name ONE location within St Paul's Cathedral where no guiding is allowed.	
41	Name ONE part of the cathedral damaged by High Explosive bombs in 1940.	
42	Name the current Bishop of London.	
43	On which weekday does St Paul's Cathedral normally open for sightseeing at 10am?	
44	Name ONE place where Temple Bar was located before its current position.	

BRITISH MUSEUM

45	What name is now used for the original King's Library?	
46	Whose collection was sold to the government to create the British Museum?	
47	In which century did the Assyrian king, Ashurbanipal, reign?	
48	Name the Italian strong man who helped move the Rameses II sculpture to Alexandria.	
49	Name the TWO main contributors to the deciphering of the Rosetta Stone.	i) ii)
50	Which artefacts inspired a scene in the first Harry Potter film?	
51	Where was the Mosque lamp by Musli made to hang?	
52	On which day of the week does the British Museum usually remain open until 8.30pm?	

NATIONAL GALLERY

53	Name the original architect of the National Gallery.	
54	Name ONE of the benefactors who contributed to the original collection.	
55	Name ONE female artist in the National Gallery's permanent collection. [Last name only]	
56	Who commissioned Titian to paint <i>Bacchus and Ariadne</i> ?	
57	Which river is depicted in Seurat's <i>Bathers at Asnières</i> ?	
58	Which Italian city features in a current exhibition at the National Gallery?	
59	Name the English county which was the main inspiration for John Constable's paintings.	

OTHER COLLECTIONS AND SITES

60	Which museum currently has an exhibition named <i>Secrets of the Thames: Mudlarking London's lost treasures</i> ?	
61	Name the artist depicted in a sculpture in the Royal Academy courtyard.	
62	Where is Canova's <i>Napoleon as Mars the Peacemaker</i> sculpture displayed?	
63	In which museum are the <i>Gipsy Moth</i> and <i>Foucault's Pendulum</i> displayed?	
64	Name the current major exhibition at the V&A.	
65	Which institution originally occupied the buildings now used by the Imperial War Museum?	
66	Which gallery has a collection of portraits featuring the Bloomsbury Group?	
67	Name the artist who created the <i>Seagram Murals</i> .	

68	In which gallery can you view Vincent van Gogh's <i>Self-Portrait with Bandaged Ear</i> ?	
69	Which art collection includes a copy of Leonardo da Vinci's <i>The Last Supper</i> ?	
70	Name the current exhibition at the King's Gallery.	
71	Where can you see Vermeer's <i>The Guitar Player</i> and Rembrandt's <i>Self-Portrait with Two Circles</i> ?	
72	Name the 19th century <u>female</u> fossil collector whose discoveries are in the Natural History Museum.	
73	Which architect left his home in Lincoln's Inn Fields to the nation in 1837?	
74	Name the artist of <i>The Swing</i> , in the Wallace Collection. [Last name only]	

WESTMINSTER

75	In which king's reign was Westminster Hall built?	
76	Name ONE of the statues in Grosvenor Square.	

77	On which street near Westminster Abbey are the coach bays located?	
78	The “Bridge of Aspiration” links the Royal Ballet School with which other building?	
79	Which organisation is headquartered in Marlborough House?	
80	Name the palace destroyed by fire in 1698.	
81	Name TWO battles shown on the bronze reliefs at the base of Nelson's Column.	i) ii)
82	Why was UCL known as the “godless college of Gower Street”?	
83	Where was Sir Walter Raleigh executed in 1618?	
84	What is the start time of the Dismount Ceremony in the courtyard at Horse Guards?	
85	Piccadilly was originally named Portugal Street, in honour of whom?	
86	Name the closest Underground station to Abbey Road Studios.	

87	Which Covent Garden theatre is near the coach bays on Russell Street?	
88	Name ONE of the nearest Underground stations to Chinatown.	
89	In front of which building was Charles I executed?	

CITY (& LEGAL LONDON)

90	Name the king depicted on The Monument to the Great Fire of London.	
91	What is the current Bank of England's Base Rate?	
92	Which building contains 'SushiSamba' and 'The Duck and Waffle'?	
93	Name the Roman Road which runs through the Bloomberg site.	
94	Name ONE street near St Paul's Cathedral with <u>coach bays</u> .	

95	Which City church was founded in 1123 by Rahere?	
96	Name ONE housing estate designed by Chamberlain, Powell and Bonn.	
97	What is an alternative name for the Central Criminal Court?	
98	In which year was the Bank of England established?	
99	In which month is the Lord Mayor's Show held?	
100	Name the Inn of Court where Charles Dickens worked as a clerk.	
101	Under which gallery is the Roman Amphitheatre located?	
102	Name the architect of the Royal Courts of Justice.	
103	What did Pasqua Rosée open near Cornhill in the 1650s?	
104	Name ONE livery company located on, or near, London Wall.	

NORTH & WEST LONDON (Camden + Kensington & Chelsea)

105	Which pub claims to have London's oldest Thai restaurant?	
106	Where can you find a Japanese garden in Kensington?	
107	On which square in Bloomsbury did Lytton Strachey and Vanessa Bell live?	
108	Which is the busiest day of the week for Portobello Road Market?	
109	Name ONE statue on the exterior of The Royal Geographical Society.	
110	Name ONE artist who lived in Tite Street. [Last name only]	
111	Name the canal that runs through Camden Market.	

SOUTH LONDON (Southwark, Lambeth & Wandsworth)

112	Where are the John Tradescants (father and son) buried?	
113	Name the children's theatre on Tooley Street.	

114	On which day of the week does Borough Market close?	
115	Where was Edmund Shakespeare buried?	
116	What does a standard adult ticket for the London Eye cost?	
117	In which riverside building can visitors take Lift 109 to enjoy the views?	
118	Name the Underground station closest to the American Embassy.	

EAST LONDON (Islington, Hackney & Tower Hamlets)

119	Which park did the London Legacy Development Corporation develop?	
120	In which decade did the Battle of Cable Street take place?	
121	Name the pub within St Katharine Docks.	
122	Which philosopher does the library in Clerkenwell Green commemorate?	

123	In which cemetery are John Bunyan, Daniel Defoe and William Blake all buried?	
124	Which organisation was formed in 1798 to combat river piracy?	
125	On which road in Shoreditch were theatres opened in the 1570s?	

PARKS & GARDENS

126	What does the Buxton Memorial in Victoria Tower Gardens commemorate?	
127	Which London garden is a UNESCO World Heritage Site?	
128	Which Royal Park has the Italian Garden with fountains?	
129	Name ONE of Central London's physic gardens.	
130	Whose 90th birthday was celebrated with the opening of the Hyde Park gate behind Apsley House in 1993?	

THAMES / BRIDGES

131	Which bridge opened in 1894?	
132	In which year was the current London Bridge opened?	
133	Why is Waterloo Bridge known as the <i>Ladies' Bridge</i> ?	
134	Which marine mammals are often seen in central London on the Thames?	
135	Name the river that joins the Thames at Blackfriars.	

GENERAL

136	Which regiment of footguards wears a red plume in their bearskins?	
137	Name ONE private club in St James's Street.	
138	In which month is the Chelsea Flower Show held?	
139	Which football team plays at the Emirates Stadium?	

140	Name the home of the Surrey Cricket Club.	
141	Which hospital has a museum to Florence Nightingale?	
142	What is the nearest railway station to the Harry Potter Warner Bros. Studio Tour?	
143	In which month will the <i>Open House Festival</i> take place this year?	
144	Which Underground station is closest to West Ham's "London Stadium"?	
145	Name TWO stores in St James's Street which currently hold a Royal Warrant.	i) ii)
146	Which institution did Thomas Coram help to found?	
147	Name the current Fourth Plinth installation.	
148	In which month does the Notting Hill Carnival take place?	
149	Which immigrant group established silk weaving in Spitalfields?	

150	In which public square is the TKTS booth for last-minute theatre tickets located?	
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End of Section A

Now turn to Section B

SECTION B

Worth 40% (i.e. 20% for each question)

Answer **TWO** questions from this section in note form or as bullet points.

B1. Write notes on **ONE** of the following areas.

(a) **Bloomsbury**; and divide your notes into the following two sections:

- i. Historical introduction to Bloomsbury
- ii. Literary and educational links with Bloomsbury

(b) **London Docklands**; and divide your notes into the following two sections:

- i. History of the Docklands until the 1980s
- ii. Redevelopment of the Docklands since the 1980s

B2. Write notes on **TWO** of the following sites, including a brief description of the building, its location, history and key items in its collection:

- (a) Imperial War Museum
- (b) Tate Modern
- (c) Kensington Palace
- (d) Victoria & Albert Museum

B3. Write notes on the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace on a typical weekday morning. Divide your notes into the following two sections:

- i. Introduction to the ceremony and to the five main regiments of Foot Guards
- ii. What you would explain to your visitors at each stage of the ceremony.
Include practicalities such as approximate timings and positioning.

B4. Write notes on **TWO** of the following. Include details of historical and contemporary interest.

- (a) Covent Garden
- (b) Tower Bridge
- (c) Albert Memorial
- (d) Victoria Tower Gardens

B5. Write notes on **TWO** of the following people, specifically with reference to their time in London and places in London associated with them:

- (a) Norman Foster
- (b) Winston Churchill
- (c) Queen Elizabeth II
- (d) John Snow

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ANSWERS TO SECTION B

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