



UNIVERSITI KUALA LUMPUR BUSINESS SCHOOL

FINAL EXAMINATION FEBRUARY 2025 SEMESTER

COURSE CODE	: KEP00103
COURSE NAME	: FOUNDATION ENGLISH 1
PROGRAMME NAME	: FOUNDATION IN BUSINESS (FIB)
DATE	: 21 JUNE 2025
TIME	: 9.00 AM – 12.00 PM
DURATION	: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Please **CAREFULLY** read the instructions given in the question paper.
2. This question paper has information printed on both sides of the paper.
3. This question paper consists of **THREE (3) Sections**; **Section A, Section B and Section C**.
4. Answer **ALL** questions in **Section A, Section B and Section C**.
5. Please write your answers on the answer booklet provided.
6. All questions must be answered in **English** (any other language is not allowed).
7. **This question paper must not be removed from the examination hall.**

THERE ARE EIGHT (8) PAGES OF QUESTIONS, EXCLUDING THIS PAGE.

SECTION A (Total: 30 Marks)

INSTRUCTION: Answer ALL questions.

Please use the answer booklet provided.

THE FURNISHED ROOM

- I A weary young man wanders the redbrick district of New York's lower West Side in search of a furnished room—and, more urgently, in search of Eloise Vashner, a young actress who disappeared months ago. After knocking on many doors, **he** arrives at a shabby house where a housekeeper offers him the third-floor back room. She tells him it has been recently vacated and once occupied by many stage performers, but she does 5 not recall anyone named Eloise. He rents the room, hopeful and desperate.
- II Once inside, he is overwhelmed by the dreary furnishings and ghostlike traces of past tenants. Despite the stale and musty atmosphere, he suddenly detects the sweet scent of mignonette—Eloise's favourite perfume. Convinced **she** had once stayed there, he frantically searches for a sign: a hairpin, a note, anything. But all he finds are 10 meaningless leftovers from strangers. The room seems haunted, not just by its past, but by the aching memory of a love lost.
- III Driven by this scent that seems to summon **her** very spirit, he speaks to her aloud and searches the room again, more obsessively. But the scent vanishes, and reality slowly replaces hope. He finds no tangible evidence of her presence and begins to believe that 15 even this faint sign was an illusion. Still gripped by despair, he rushes to question the housekeeper again.
- IV The housekeeper insists the last tenant was a woman named Miss Sprowls, short and dark-haired—nothing like the fair Eloise. Before **her**, others stayed, none matching Eloise's description. With his final glimmer of hope extinguished, the young man returns 20 to the now lifeless room. The perfume is gone. The truth settles in. In silent surrender, he seals the room, turns on the gas, and lies on the bed, choosing to die in the room he believes once held the love of his life.
- V Meanwhile, downstairs, the landlady Mrs. Purdy chats with **her** friend Mrs. McCool,

casually revealing over drinks that she had rented the same room a week after a girl 25 committed suicide in it. When asked whether she told the new tenant, she replies that business is business—rooms are for renting. She adds that the girl had a mole near her left eyebrow—a final, tragic confirmation that Eloise had indeed been there, and that the man unknowingly took his life in the very place where she had taken hers.

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Question 1

Discuss **TWO (2)** themes in relation to the short story.

(4 marks)

Question 2

What/Who do the following **pronouns** refer to in the passage?

- (a) he (line 3)
- (b) she (line 9)
- (c) her (line 13)
- (d) her (line 19)
- (e) her (line 24)

(5 marks)

Question 3

Describe **TWO (2)** characteristics of the young man in the story.

(4 marks)

Question 4

Why does the young man decide to end his life in the rented room? Give **THREE (3)** reasons.

(3 marks)

Question 5

The housekeeper chooses not to inform the tenant about the previous suicide in the room. Do you agree with her action? Why or why not? Discuss and explain **FOUR (4)** reasons for your answer.

(8 marks)

Question 6

Describe **THREE (3)** moral values that you learn from the short story The Furnished Room.

(6 marks)

SECTION B (Total: 50 Marks)

INSTRUCTION: Answer ALL questions.
Please use the answer booklet provided.

Question 1

Fill in the blanks with the CORRECT forms of PREPOSITION.

1. She is interested ____ learning French.
2. The cat is hiding ____ the table.
3. He apologised ____ being late.
4. They arrived ____ the airport at 7 p.m.
5. This book was written ____ J.K. Rowling.
6. I've been waiting ____ the bus for 20 minutes.
7. We walked ____ the park this morning.
8. She is married ____ a famous actor.
9. The children are afraid ____ the dark.
10. He divided the cake ____ four people.

(10 marks)

Question 2

COMPLETE the incomplete sentences and identify the **TYPE OF SENTENCES**:
DECLARATIVE, IMPERATIVE OR INTERROGATIVE.

ANSWERS of the incomplete sentences must be more than **TWO (2)** words.

1. The children are playing _____
Type of Sentence: _____

2. Can you please _____
Type of Sentence: _____

3. Please close _____
Type of Sentence: _____

4. I think she _____
Type of Sentence: _____

5. Where did you _____
Type of Sentence: _____

6. Turn off _____
Type of Sentence: _____

7. My brother likes _____
Type of Sentence: _____

8. Do you know _____
Type of Sentence: _____

9. Finish your _____
Type of Sentence: _____

10. The cat ran _____
Type of Sentence: _____

(20 marks)

Question 3

Fill in the blanks with the **CORRECT** forms of **VERB** in the bracket.

1. She always ____ (wake) up early. Yesterday, she ____ (wake) up at 6 a.m.
2. I ____ (not like) broccoli but I ____ (eat) it yesterday at dinner.
3. They ____ (play) football every weekend. Last weekend, they ____ (play) in the rain.
4. He ____ (study) medicine in university. Right now, he ____ (revise) for his exams.
5. We ____ (go) to the same school. Last year, we ____ (be) in different classes.
6. She ____ (have) two brothers. She ____ (have) a cold last week.
7. I usually ____ (walk) to class. Today, I ____ (take) the bus because it was raining.
8. He ____ (watch) TV every night. Now, he ____ (watch) a movie with his friends.
9. They ____ (not come) to the party. They ____ (stay) at home instead.
10. She ____ (be) very friendly. Everyone ____ (enjoy) talking to her.

(10 marks)

Question 4

Identify whether the underlined group of words are PHRASES OR CLAUSES.

1. She ran into the store without making a sound. (_____)
2. We stayed inside because it was raining. (_____)
3. He bought a cake for his mother's birthday. (_____)
4. The sky turns orange when the sun sets. (_____)
5. The dog barked at the stranger. (_____)
6. Although he was tired, he kept working. (_____)
7. She wore a dress made of silk. (_____)
8. The phone rang while I was eating. (_____)
9. He walked down the street with confidence. (_____)
10. Since she moved here, we've become close friends. (_____)

(10 marks)

SECTION C (Total: 20 MARKS)

INSTRUCTION: Answer the question.

Please use the answer booklet provided.

Write a paragraph of not more than 100 words about the following:

An advantage of learning Artificial Intelligence

END OF EXAMINATION PAPER