

PRACTICE TEST 1

Listening

Listening Section Instructions

In this section of the test, you will show your ability to understand spoken English. There are three parts in this section of the test, with special directions for each part.

Mark your answers in the book. If you do not know the answer, you may guess. Try to answer as many questions as possible.

Part 1

In this part of the test, you will hear short conversations between two people. After each conversation, you will hear a question about it. Choose the best answer to the question from the choices printed in the book. You should mark A, B, C, or D.

There are 19 questions in Part 1. The conversations and questions on the audio will not be repeated. Please listen carefully. Once the audio starts, it will not stop. There is a 12-second pause after each question to give you time to answer.



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1. What happened to the woman's luggage?
 - A. It was placed on a later flight.
 - B. It was taken by another passenger.
 - C. It was sent to the wrong person.
 - D. It was damaged.
2. According to the woman, what might help the man decide?
 - A. how much he'll spend on housing
 - B. how attractive the university's location is
 - C. what the university's buildings look like
 - D. what is included in the institutional fees
3. What are the speakers mainly discussing?
 - A. an employee who is frequently absent
 - B. the low number of visitors to a website
 - C. technical problems with a website
 - D. difficulty contacting a repair company
4. Why did the man miss class?
 - A. He was rehearsing with the choir.
 - B. He was writing a speech.
 - C. He had to meet with a teacher.
 - D. He had to finish his homework.
5. What does the man suggest the woman do?
 - A. buy clothes in Portugal
 - B. travel to Spain
 - C. pack warm clothes
 - D. bring her sandals
6. What problem does the man have?
 - A. He forgot to register for class.
 - B. He forgot to get his advisor's signature.
 - C. He forgot to go to the first class.
 - D. He forgot to bring the form.
7. What does the man want to do?
 - A. find out where to buy the cookies
 - B. make the cookies
 - C. create a different recipe
 - D. cook for the woman
8. How does the woman feel about her trip to Paris?
 - A. She was disappointed by the weather.
 - B. She is happy to be back at work.
 - C. She had a hard time getting around there.
 - D. She wishes she were still there.
9. What does the man want to buy?
 - A. shaving cream
 - B. a bar of soap
 - C. shampoo
 - D. vitamins
10. What happened to the man's plants?
 - A. They were planted too late.
 - B. They got too much sun.
 - C. They got too much water.
 - D. They did not have good soil.

11. How does the woman feel about the man's idea?
A. supportive
B. confident
C. upset
D. unexcited
12. Why does the student talk to the professor?
A. to find out what he missed in class
B. to discuss a misunderstanding between classmates
C. to get advice about a paper he's writing
D. to ask a question about the reading
13. Why is the man happy about the new employee?
A. They are business partners.
B. They used to study together.
C. He is very well known in their field.
D. He is interested in European design.
14. What did the woman want?
A. a discount
B. a refund
C. an exchange
D. a receipt
15. What can be inferred about the professor?
A. She returned the paper last week.
B. She has read the man's paper.
C. She is going to change the assignment.
D. She prefers American art.
16. How do the speakers feel about the candidates?
A. disappointed
B. concerned
C. pleased
D. relieved
17. What does the woman say about her haircut?
A. It did not cost very much.
B. It is shorter than she wanted.
C. It is easy to style.
D. It was not much of a change.
18. What does the man say about the bike?
A. It took a long time to make.
B. It was very expensive.
C. It is heavier than other bikes.
D. It is not worth what it cost.
19. What is required of the student who gets the scholarship?
A. working part-time at the firm
B. recruiting other students to apply
C. accepting a job at the firm after graduating
D. developing a new marketing program

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Part 2

In this part of the test, you will hear longer conversations between two people. After each conversation, you will answer some questions about it. Choose the best answer to the question from the choices printed in the book. You should mark A, B, C, or D.



There are 14 questions in Part 2. The conversations and questions on the audio will not be repeated. If you want to, you may take notes in your book as you listen. Please listen carefully. Once the audio starts, it will not stop. There is a 12-second pause after each question to give you time to answer.





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20. What are the speakers talking about?
- A. types of fitness memberships
 - B. becoming fitness instructors
 - C. changing the man's membership plan
 - D. how to choose a dance class
21. What is the difference between the Basic Pass and the Unlimited Pass?
- A. The Unlimited Pass is less expensive.
 - B. The Unlimited Pass includes classes.
 - C. The Unlimited Pass is available to all members.
 - D. The Unlimited Pass does not expire.
22. What will the man probably do?
- A. ask about other types of memberships
 - B. try the more expensive option
 - C. continue to exercise by himself
 - D. teach a dance class
23. Why does the woman say: 
- A. to explain how she learned to dance
 - B. to emphasize the variety of classes available
 - C. to indicate how often classes meet
 - D. to tell the man which classes she attends
24. Why was the woman looking for the man?
- A. to give him a note
 - B. to ask him for some help
 - C. to show him her project
 - D. to tell him a class is canceled
25. What will the man most likely do?
- A. finish the project for the woman
 - B. enter the contest with the woman
 - C. help the woman think of ideas
 - D. find recycled materials for the woman
26. What does the man mean when he says: 
- A. He will help her next time.
 - B. He already has too much to do.
 - C. He thinks the idea is a waste of time.
 - D. He is going to be late to class.
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27. What are the speakers mainly discussing?
- A. when the book is to be published
 - B. where pictures of the dishes will be taken
 - C. what recipes to include in the book
 - D. how the book will be illustrated
28. What did the woman think of the new recipes?
- A. They are healthier than older recipes.
 - B. Some of them need small adjustments.
 - C. They are all ready for the book.
 - D. Most of them are easy to follow.
29. Why does the man mention the woman's friend?
- A. He wants her friend to work for them.
 - B. Her friend is a famous photographer.
 - C. Her friend wants to write a book.
 - D. He wants to introduce her friend to someone.
30. What does the woman mean when she says: 
- A. She agreed to use drawings.
 - B. She would rather use photographs.
 - C. She'll see how much the drawings cost.
 - D. She's not ready to make a decision.
31. What does the woman say about the course?
- A. It is an upper-level course.
 - B. It is required for geography majors.
 - C. It is only taken by geography majors.
 - D. It is only open to second-year students.
32. How does the woman explain the results of her study?
- A. Geography majors must also take other science courses.
 - B. Second-year students are generally better at studying.
 - C. Background knowledge is not important in geography.
 - D. First-year students usually take more courses.
33. What does the man mean when he says: 
- A. He understands what the woman said.
 - B. The woman's study is well designed.
 - C. He has received the woman's study.
 - D. The woman has understood correctly.
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Part 3

In this part of the test, you will hear some short talks. After each talk, you will answer some questions about it. Choose the best answer to the question from the choices printed in the book. You should mark A, B, C, or D.


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34. Why does the speaker mention creating jobs and reducing pollution?
- A. to discuss a government proposal
 - B. to describe the benefits of a project
 - C. to give examples of the city's new goals
 - D. to explain why people live in the city
35. Why does the speaker thank the local residents?
- A. for driving their cars less
 - B. for being patient
 - C. for providing suggestions
 - D. for giving money to the city
36. Why does the speaker suggest looking at the website?
- A. to look up the train schedule
 - B. to find out where Logan Street is
 - C. to get information about traffic delays
 - D. to read more about the city's history
37. What does the speaker mean when she says: 
- A. The project had to be changed many times.
 - B. The project had to be started over.
 - C. The project had no public support.
 - D. The project had unexpected problems.
38. How does the speaker think the new employees will feel?
- A. relaxed
 - B. annoyed
 - C. confused
 - D. excited
39. What does the speaker want some staff to do?
- A. give a new employee a tour of the building
 - B. take a new employee to lunch
 - C. meet a new employee at the Human Resources office
 - D. help a new employee fill out paperwork
40. What will the staff probably do next?
- A. go back to work
 - B. have some coffee
 - C. leave for the airport
 - D. greet the new employees
41. What does the speaker say about the tech staff?
- A. They'll be assigned new workstations.
 - B. They'll fix the online timesheets.
 - C. They'll explain the computer system.
 - D. They'll send an email message.
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42. What is the professor mainly discussing?
- A. how to select instruments for a concert
 - B. how to compose concert music
 - C. how to choose music for a concert
 - D. how to pick a concert to attend
43. Why does the professor mention trumpet players?
- A. to compare them to other musicians
 - B. to explain why slow songs are better
 - C. to describe a problem he had
 - D. to show the type of music audiences prefer
44. What advice is given about challenging music?
- A. Only advanced students should perform it.
 - B. It should not be included in a concert.
 - C. Players only need five minutes of practice time.
 - D. Musicians should practice it on their own.
45. What will the students do next?
- A. describe their favorite band concert
 - B. choose which instrument they'd like to play
 - C. work on a group project
 - D. discuss last week's lecture
46. What does the professor mean when he says: 
- A. Playing different styles will keep people interested.
 - B. Certain music styles should be avoided.
 - C. Playing several styles will confuse people.
 - D. Musicians usually request a specific music style.
47. What is the main point of Jerry Hampton's book?
- A. Everyone can run a marathon.
 - B. Running shoes are not good for runners.
 - C. Running barefoot is dangerous.
 - D. Runners need to see their doctors more often.
48. What does Jerry Hampton have in common with other runners?
- A. He was inspired to run by the Tarahumara.
 - B. He has gotten injured while running.
 - C. He thinks more expensive shoes are safer.
 - D. He started running without talking to a doctor.
49. What does the woman think will happen in the future?
- A. More Tarahumara will run in marathons.
 - B. More regulations will be created for marathons.
 - C. Researchers will test Hampton's theory.
 - D. Runners will continue to use expensive shoes.
50. What does the speaker mean when she says: 
- A. Hampton no longer agrees with his own theory.
 - B. Hampton is not a qualified doctor.
 - C. Hampton is a better runner than most doctors.
 - D. Hampton will write a book about sports medicine.
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