

WEEK 28 – TEST 2

I. VOCABULARY

Choose the best answers:

1. She _____ me that she wasn't late.
A. tell B. told C. say D. said
2. He _____ that he had called you last night.
A. says B. said to C. said D. had say
3. After we _____ the swimming pool, we sunbathed for a while.
A. got out of B. went on C. had D. belong
4. The robber was re-arrested 4 hours after he had been _____ from prison.
A. realized B. freed C. put D. had
5. Circle the word or phrase that is different:
A. bracelet B. earrings C. necklace D. sneakers
6. We have to _____ the dresses before wearing them for the party. I'm worried that they don't fit us.
A. put away B. get on C. try on D. pick up

II. GRAMMAR:

Choose the best answers:

7. When we arrived, they _____ already _____ (leave) – the house was empty.
A. did-leave B. had-left C. do-leave D. have-left
8. We left the cinema because we _____ (see) the film before.
A. see B. are seeing C. have seen D. had seen
9. She _____ us she was busy this weekend.
A. say B. said C. tell D. told

10. _____ have you stayed here?

- A. Who B. How long C. What D. Which

11. Write the sentence follow into direct speech: *She said she was busy.*

- A. She said me: "she is busy".
B. She said I'm busy.
C. She said: "I'm busy".
D. She said I was busy.

12. Write the sentence follow into direct speech: *They told me that they hadn't seen the film before.*

- A. They told me: "we haven't seen this film before".
B. They told me that we haven't seen this film before.
C. They told to me: "we haven't seen this film before".
D. They told to me that we haven't seen this film before.

III. PRONUNCIATION

Choose the word which has a different sound in the underline parts:

13. A. baggage B. married C. happy D. nappies
14. A. letter B. felt C. tennis D. pottery
15. A. reason B. stops C. faster D. circle

IV. READING

The woman who can remember every day of her life

As part of our series on extraordinary people, this week we find out about Rita Howard, a woman with a very unusual talent.

What was the weather like yesterday? What were you thinking about when you woke up this morning? If someone asked you these questions, you probably wouldn't find it too hard to answer. But how about remembering the same information for this date last year, or even ten years ago? Most of us find it easy to remember what happened on the most important days of our lives, but soon forget the little details of the other days, weeks, months and years. We often imagine that, without this regular 'forgetting', our brains would be too crowded with memories and thoughts. For Rita Howard, however, it's as easy to remember a day thirty years ago as it is to tell us about yesterday.

Rita can choose any date from her 68 years and say where she was, what she was doing, and what day of the week it was. For years, she had no idea that this amazing memory was anything special. She was a hard-working student who always did well at school. Then later she became a historian, a job where she had many opportunities to use her ability to memorize all the facts she'd ever learned. Even so, it was only six years ago, when she was in a research project, that scientists actually told Rita she had hyperthymesia – an unusually good memory of her own experiences. Only around 20 people worldwide have the condition.

People began to imagine that I knew everything,' says Rita. 'Whereas, of course, I only know everything about my own life!' Another common idea is that Rita has far more memories than everyone else. 'In fact, we all have a similar number,' she comments. 'I'm just far better at finding and using mine than other people.'

As Rita reached retirement age, she wondered if her memory would get worse. Three years later, however, it's just as good as ever. 'Will that always be the case?' she asks. 'Who knows? I know all about the past, not the future!'

16. People find it easier to remember their own lives than world events.

- A. True B. False C. Doesn't say

17. We generally think that it's useful to forget small things.

- A. True B. False C. Doesn't say

18. People noticed her ability to memorize information when she was at school.

- A. True B. False C. Doesn't say

19. People expect Rita to know about things that she hasn't experienced.

- A. True B. False C. Doesn't say

20. Rita is working as a historian.

- A. True B. False C. Doesn't say