

Exam Practice Test 1

Reading Part 5

Questions 21–26

For each question, choose the correct answer.

TIP

Look at the words just before and just after each gap.

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Try each of the 4 words in each gap. Which has the right meaning and also fits the grammar of the sentence?

Many cities have parks for people to enjoy. And it's very (21) to find wonderful sculptures in them. However, some sculptures found in Fairbanks, Alaska, aren't quite the same as in other cities. When the temperature (22) at the end of winter, they all disappear – because they're made of ice!

Fairbanks has been the home of the World Ice Art Championships for over 20 years, and artists from many different countries come to create spectacular ice sculptures. The ice is brought from a lake (23) near the sculpture park. It's said to be so clear that visitors can read a newspaper through it – even though the individual pieces are over one metre (24)!

Visitors also have the (25) to make their own ice sculptures if they wish, at special classes. There's a children's play park, too, where (26) everything is made of ice, including sculptures of favourite animals. It's a great place to visit!



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| 21 A usual | B general | C common | D familiar |
| 22 A develops | B rises | C grows | D builds |
| 23 A located | B arranged | C contained | D attached |
| 24 A heavy | B large | C strong | D thick |
| 25 A occasion | B benefit | C opportunity | D ability |
| 26 A totally | B absolutely | C completely | D fully |



Questions 20–25

For each question, choose the correct answer.

You will hear an interview with a 15-year-old girl called Andrea, who plays ice hockey for her National Under-16s Team.

20 Which sport does Andrea say she started playing first?

- A football
- B ice hockey
- C basketball

21 Andrea says that she first started playing ice hockey after

- A watching a family member play.
- B seeing a game on television.
- C talking about it with her friends.

22 Why does Andrea think that playing against boys is important?

- A It improves her own playing skills.
- B It proves there are many girls playing the sport.
- C It increases respect for female players.

23 How did Andrea feel when she was chosen for the national under-16s team?

- A surprised to be asked
- B sorry to leave her club
- C confident in her abilities

Advice

21 Did Andrea like ice hockey after seeing her brother play? What does she say about her friends? Does this match with option C?

Advice

23 What does Andrea say about her abilities? What does she say about being chosen for the team? Was she surprised?

24 Andrea's favourite games are those which are

- A easy to win.
- B shown on TV.
- C exciting to watch.

25 Andrea says that people who want to start playing ice hockey should

- A find a club.
- B buy good equipment.
- C learn the rules.