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FCE Listening Test

(Reference to First Trainer. Test 2)

Part 1

You will hear people talking in eight different situations. For questions **1–8**, choose the best answer (**A**, **B** or **C**).

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1 You hear two neighbours talking about a new statue in their town.
What does the woman say about it?

A She suspects many people won't like it.

B She doesn't understand what it represents.

C She is convinced it should be removed.

2 You hear a music teacher talking about his job.
He regrets that

A music is rarely considered to be an essential subject.

B there are so few advanced level music students.

C he cannot teach the music that he personally likes.

3 You hear two journalists talking about driverless cars.
What do they both think about them?

A Most drivers would be keen to try them out.

B More tests have to be done on their reliability.

C There will need to be many changes to driving laws.

4 You hear a doctor talking on the radio about colds.
She says many of her patients are unaware that

A antibiotics are ineffective at treating colds.

B healthy eating may help the symptoms of colds.

C there are things they can do to avoid colds.

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5 You hear a brother and sister talking about a musical they have seen.
Why does the woman like the musical?

A It explores themes that are important to her.

B She feels sympathetic to its central character.

C The songs are entertaining and easy to remember.

6 You hear a woman talking about horse riding.
How has the woman benefited from going riding again?

A She now has a new group of friends.

B Riding has helped to improve her balance.

C It has enabled her to deal effectively with stress.

7 You hear a customer complaining in a department store.
What does the shop assistant agree to do?

A exchange the item for a different size

B offer a refund for the unsatisfactory item

C give him a credit to spend in the store

8 You hear a food critic talking about a chef called Peter Tinney.
What is she doing?

A describing Peter's creative approach to cooking

B justifying why Peter deserves the award he has won

C defending Peter's decision to close his restaurants

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Part 2

Filming African wildlife in Loango National Park, Gabon

Chris wanted to visit Gabon after seeing an unusual
(9) ..... featuring some of its animals.

When researching his trip, Chris says that a **(10)** .....
was most useful to him.

Chris's boss advised him that he needed a **(11)** .....
visa for his trip.

A **(12)** ..... offered to be Chris's local guide in Gabon.

Chris appreciated the ride by **(13)** ..... on his way
to Loango National Park.

Chris's guide explained that forest elephants visit the beach to get
(14) ..... .

Chris was convinced that the buffalo looked like they were
(15) ..... in the sea.

Chris didn't manage to film any **(16)** ..... during his trip.

Chris uses the word **(17)** ..... to describe the people
he stayed with.

Chris says the National Park has had difficulties in increasing
(18) ..... .

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Part 3

You will hear five short extracts in which people are talking about their experiences of doing part-time courses. For questions **19–23**, choose from the list (**A–H**) how each speaker says they benefited from doing a part-time course. Use each letter only once. There are three extra letters which you do not need to use.

A It helped me get promoted at work.

B It made me reconsider my priorities in life.

C It gave me a way to fill my time.

D It introduced me to like-minded people.

E It enabled me to relax after work.

F It allowed me to use my creativity.

G It provided the chance to gain a new qualification.

H It encouraged me to consider taking further courses.

Speaker 1		**19**
Speaker 2		**20**
Speaker 3		**21**
Speaker 4		**22**
Speaker 5		**23**

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Part 4

You will hear an interview with a retired sportswoman called Gemma Porter, who now runs her own business. For questions **24–30**, choose the best answer (**A**, **B** or **C**).

24 Why did Gemma retire from sport?

A She had won all the major championships.

B She wanted to spend less time travelling for work.

C She was starting to get injured more often.

25 How did Gemma feel immediately after her retirement?

A She was dissatisfied at not training every day.

B Her financial situation was a concern to her.

C She missed her former competitors.

26 What did Gemma feel was a disadvantage for her when applying for jobs?

A She lacked formal qualifications.

B She wasn't used to fixed working hours.

C She had never worked in an office.

27 Why did Gemma start a business helping retired sportspeople to find new careers?

A She still had many friends in the world of sport.

B No other recruitment companies offered this service.

C Her experience meant she could offer the best advice.

28 What motivated Gemma in the early days of her business?

A the determination to prove other people wrong

B the belief that she was doing something worthwhile

C the desire to gain a reputation as a business woman

29 Gemma says some sportspeople can have problems joining a company because

A they can be impatient with colleagues.

B they dislike receiving negative feedback.

C they object to having to follow company rules.

30 Gemma thinks companies will hire more retired sportspeople in the future because

A sportspeople are better at accepting change than other employees.

B both companies and sportspeople are focused on achieving goals.

C companies will only survive if they have staff who are competitive.

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