

Paper 4: Listening (40 minutes)

PART 1

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

- 1 You hear someone talking about football referees.
What is the speaker's attitude towards referees?

A They make too many mistakes.
B They deserve sympathy.
C Some are better than others.

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- 2 You hear a famous chef talking about his week.
What does he say about what happened during the week?

A He had a problem that was not his fault.
B He didn't want to appear on so many programmes.
C He had his first experience of live TV.

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- 3 You hear someone talking about her career in dancing.
What does she emphasize?

A the contribution made by her parents
B how much hard work she did
C her desire to be a dancer

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- 4 You hear someone talking on the phone at work.
Who is she talking to?

A a colleague
B her boss
C a client

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5 You hear a radio presenter talking about a book.
What feeling does the presenter express about the book?

- A doubt that it does exactly what it says it does
- B amazement at how up to date its information is
- C curiosity about how it was written

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6 You hear part of an interview with a famous comedian.
What does he say about his school days?

- A The teachers never criticized him.
- B He was only good at one subject.
- C Other people found him amusing.

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7 You hear someone talking about a person he knows.
What is the speaker doing?

- A complaining
- B apologizing
- C arguing

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8 You hear a tour guide talking to a group of visitors to a museum.
What does he tell them about the museum?

- A It's easy to get lost in it.
- B Big groups aren't allowed in some parts of it.
- C It's better only to visit a small part of it.

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PART 2

You will hear someone talking about the sport of elephant polo. For questions 9–18, complete the sentences.

ELEPHANT POLO

Elephants are 9 animals and so they enjoy elephant polo tournaments.

The 10 of a goal in elephant polo is the same as in football.

A player and an elephant 11 both sit on each elephant.

It is against the rules for the elephants to use their trunks to 12 the ball.

A total of 13 elephants are required for a game to take place.

The participants are in action for a total of 14 during each game.

The stick used in the game is both and 15.

The elephants sometimes want to 16 in front of a goal.

An elephant with a bad 17 will be taken out of a game.

African elephants are not used because 18 cause a problem.

PART 3

You will hear five different people talking about cities they have visited. For questions 19–23, choose from the list (A–F) the opinion each person gives about the city. Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

A It was exactly as I had imagined.

Speaker 1 19

B It is not as good as it used to be.

Speaker 2 20

C It is hard to find your way around it.

Speaker 3 21

D It is overrated.

Speaker 4 22

E It can get too crowded.

Speaker 5 23

F It was even better than I expected.

PART 4

You will hear an interview with someone who is involved in the music business. For questions 24–30, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

24 What does James say about the radio station he started?

- A Its name was very appropriate.
- B It was more popular than he had expected.
- C It was not very expensive to run.

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25 What does James say about people's attitudes towards his age?

- A They were nicer to him when he was 12 than when he was 16.
- B They were more jealous of him when he was 12 than when he was 16.
- C They expected more of him when he was 16 than when he was 12.

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26 James says that his career in music has included

- A taking over a local radio station.
- B making advertisements.
- C setting up new festivals.

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27 What do we learn about advertising on James' TV channel?

- A There isn't any of it.
- B It always includes music.
- C It doesn't interrupt the programmes.

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28 What does James say about the people interviewed on the channel?

- A They have to say something interesting.
- B They enjoy being interviewed.
- C They often say unexpected things.

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29 What does James say about his ideas?

- A Some of them are not very realistic.
- B He expects to have good ones all the time.
- C He makes sure that he doesn't forget them.

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30 James's advice to listeners who might want to go into business is to

- A forget about past problems.
- B learn from past mistakes.
- C take big risks.

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