

LISTENING 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).

- 1 You hear part of an interview in which a film director talks about his favourite movie.
Why does he like the film?

 - A It is very funny.
 - B It is very exciting.
 - C It is very romantic.

- 2 You hear a man talking about a sofa he bought.
What is he complaining about?

 - A He received the wrong sofa.
 - B The shop overcharged him for the sofa.
 - C The sofa was damaged.

- 3 You hear an actor talking about using different accents in his work.
What point is he making about actors?

 - A They need to study a wide variety of accents.
 - B They have to be able to control their use of accents.
 - C They should try to keep their original accents.

- 4 You hear part of an interview in which a man is talking about winning his first horse race.
What does he say about it?

 - A He found it rather disappointing.
 - B He didn't have a chance to celebrate.
 - C He was too tired to care.

- 5 You hear a writer of musicals talking on the radio.
What is he trying to explain?

 - A why his aunt's career was not very successful
 - B the difference between American and British musicals
 - C his reasons for becoming a writer of musicals

6 You hear the beginning of a lecture about ancient history.
What is the lecture going to be about?

A trade in arms and weapons
B trade in luxury household goods
C trade in works of art

7 You hear a man talking about travelling from London to France for his job.
What does he say about the train journey?

A He's able to use it to his advantage.
B It's a boring but necessary part of his job.
C He enjoys the social aspect of it.

8 You hear a woman in a shop talking about some lost photographs.
What does she think the shop should give her?

A some money
B a replacement film
C an apology

Part 2

You will hear part of a radio interview with a woman who sailed round the world on her own. For questions 9–18, complete the sentences.

Anna was employed by a 9 when she first started sailing.

The idea of sailing round the world came from a book called 10

Anna spent some time 11 the boat before taking it out to sea.

Anna tested her boat on a trip which lasted for only 12 because it was damaged.

Anna got the money she needed to make the trip from various 13 companies.

Anna's worst problem during the trip was when she felt 14 because the boat was going so slowly.

Anna found the 15 in the Southern Ocean the most exciting part of the trip.

On her return, Anna phoned the 16 to ask for a certificate.

Anna's claim was doubted because she hadn't been in contact with people on 17 during her trip.

Anna's story was finally believed after her 18 had been checked.

Part 3

You will hear five young people talking about what makes a good teacher. For questions 19–23, choose from the list (A–F) which of the opinions each speaker expresses. Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

A A good teacher praises effort.

Speaker 1

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B A good teacher knows the subject well.

Speaker 2

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C A good teacher is strict.

Speaker 3

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D A good teacher is available outside the classroom.

Speaker 4

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E A good teacher is entertaining.

Speaker 5

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F A good teacher has experience.

Part 4

You will hear a radio interview about a mountain-climbing weekend. For questions 24–30, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

24 How did Douglas feel when he booked the weekend?

- A sure that he would enjoy training for it
- B uncertain if it was a good idea for him
- C surprised that such activities were organised

25 Douglas expected that the experience would help him to

- A meet people with similar interests.
- B improve his physical fitness.
- C discover his psychological limits.

26 He was surprised that the other participants

- A were there for reasons like his.
- B were experienced climbers.
- C were in better condition than him.

27 What did one of his friends say to him?

- A He was making a mistake.
- B Climbing was fashionable.
- C She was envious of him.

28 What did the people plan at the end of the trip?

- A to send each other postcards
- B to take a different sort of trip together
- C to go on another climbing trip together

29 In what way did Douglas change as a result of the trip?

- A He developed more interest in people.
- B He became more ambitious.
- C He began to notice more things around him.

30 Douglas's boots are still muddy because he wants them to

- A remind him of what he has achieved.
- B warn him not to do it again.
- C show other people what he has done.