

Comprehension Test

Skyjack!

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1 Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- a — Carl Sandberg was a police officer.
- b — Helen Sandberg's daughter wanted to talk about her homework.
- c — Carl gave his passport to Harald.
- d — There were two hundred passengers on the plane.
- e — The hijackers killed a British passenger.
- f — The bearded hijacker shot the passenger.
- g — The hijackers recognised Carl and Harald when they saw the newspaper.
- h — The hijackers said they would kill Carl next.
- i — At first the hijackers set free fifty passengers.
- j — Helen Sandberg walked to the plane because the radio was broken.

2 Match a number from A with a letter from B to make complete sentences.

A

- 1 — When the hijacker asked for their passports ...
- 2 — The passengers knew the air hostess was a hijacker ...
- 3 — The air hostess shot the passenger ...
- 4 — When the first prisoner reached the plane ...
- 5 — Helen Sandberg disliked the two Ambassadors ...

B

- a ... the hijackers set free 100 passengers.
- b ... when he jumped from the door of the plane.
- c ... because they were military men from bigger countries.
- d ... Harald said that Carl was his prisoner.
- e ... when she came out of the cabin with a machine gun.

3. Choose the best answer.

1) The air hostess asked Carl if he wanted _____ when he got on the plane.

a [] a newspaper b [] to sit with his friend c [] a cup of coffee d [] to see his daughter

2) Carl thought the air hostess was young and pretty like his _____.

a [] wife b [] sister c [] daughter d [] mother

3) Carl put his _____ under his seat.

a [] passport b [] coffee cup c [] newspaper d [] bag

4) In his bag Harald had _____ for his sons.

a [] new clothes b [] two small planes c [] two watches d [] two tickets

5) Harald's sons were _____ years old

a [] five and six b [] six and nearly seven c [] five and almost seven d [] seven and eight

6) The air hostess said the plane would land at _____ local time.

a [] 11.30 p.m. b [] 10.30 p.m. c [] 11.00 p.m. d [] 10.00 p.m.

7) Carl thought that the air hostess looked _____.
a [] very tired b [] afraid c [] nervous d [] excited

8) Carl showed Harald a picture of them both _____.
a [] outside the Embassy b [] on the plane c [] drinking coffee d [] with the air hostess

9) Harald put the newspaper _____.
a [] in his bag b [] under his seat c [] in Carl's bag d [] in his coat pocket

10) Harald and Carl saw one of the young men pick up a bag and _____.
a [] put a newspaper in it b [] walk in to the pilot's cabin c [] give it to the air hostess d [] take out his passport

4. Choose the best answer.

11) Carl was a _____ man with grey hair.
a [] small fat b [] short thin c [] tall thin d [] tall fat

12) Harald was tall and strong like a _____.
a [] pilot b [] police officer c [] sportsman d [] hijacker

13) When she came out of the cabin the air hostess looked different because she _____.
a [] had a cup of coffee in her hand b [] was reading a newspaper

c [] looked nervous d [] had a gun in her hand

14) The Prime Minister's name was _____.
a [] Hazel Sands b [] Helen Sands c [] Helen Sandberg d [] Hazel Sandberg

15) The hijackers said they were the _____.
a [] People's Liberation Army b [] Pilot's Liberation Army c [] Prisoner's Liberation Army
d [] Police Liberation Army

16) Inspector Holm was the _____.
a [] American Ambassador b [] British Ambassador c [] Chief of the SAS d [] Chief of
Airport Police

17) Michael was _____.
a [] the Prime Minister's secretary b [] the British Ambassador c [] a soldier d [] a pilot

18) Colonel Carter was a thin, tough looking man of about _____.
a [] thirty b [] forty c [] fifty d [] sixty

19) _____ was a short round man with a loud voice which the Prime Minister disliked.

a [] The British Ambassador b [] Inspector Holm c [] Michael d [] The American Ambassador

20) _____ was always quiet, polite and well dressed, but the Prime Minister did not always believe what he said.

a [] The British Ambassador b [] The American Ambassador c [] Colonel Carter d [] Inspector Holm

5. Choose the best answer.

31) to stop somebody talking by speaking yourself

a [] tear b [] pour c [] interrupt d [] point

32) a sudden, very bright light for a short time

a [] flash b [] fire c [] attack d [] power

33) to destroy; to win a battle in a very violent way

a [] tear b [] take apart c [] tough d [] attack

34) a person sent to a foreign country to speak for his own country's government

a [] ambassador b [] colonel c [] gentleman d [] inspector

35) very violent people who kill, or promise to kill, other people if they don't get what they want

a [] military men b [] commando section c [] SAS d [] terrorists

36) a piece of paper with names written on it

a [] list b [] tray c [] aisle d [] flight

37) a soldier who is trained to fight on land or sea

a [] hijacker b [] marine c [] journalist d [] colonel

38) water that comes out of the skin

a [] sweat b [] tear c [] pool d [] nervous

39) a woman who takes care of passengers on a plane

a [] ma'am b [] host c [] lady d [] hostess

40) to try to hurt someone or something

a [] bend b [] attack c [] fire d [] throw

6. Choose the best answer

41) Carl and Harald thought they'd be home in _____.
a [] 3 days b [] 3 hours c [] 3 weeks d [] 4 hours

42) When the Prime Minister arrived home her daughter was _____.
a [] reading b [] in bed c [] asleep d [] watching TV

43) The hijackers wanted _____.
a [] two planes b [] some guns c [] two brothers d [] some bombs

44) Harald took Carl's passport and _____.
a [] ate it b [] put it in his bag c [] gave it to the air hostess d [] put it under the seat

45) The Prime Minister saw Carl's name _____.
a [] on the passenger list b [] in the newspaper c [] on the TV d [] on his passport

46) The air hostess shot _____.
a [] the Captain b [] one of the passengers c [] the Prime Minister d [] the pilot

47) The Prime Minister told Colonel Carter to bring _____ to the airport in twenty-five minutes.
a [] the prisoners b [] Carl and Harald c [] the Ambassadors d [] the passengers

48) The bearded hijacker hit _____ with his gun.
a [] Carl b [] the Captain c [] Harald d [] the air hostess

49) Carl thought the Prime Minister would give the hijackers what they wanted because _____.
a [] of the Ambassadors b [] of him c [] she was afraid d [] she was angry

50) The Prime Minister walked through the rain to _____, without stopping.
a [] the plane b [] her house c [] the airport d [] the prison