

READING PRACTICE TEST 13

ENGLISH READING PRACTICE TEST 13 LEVELS 1-3

PART 1. Look at the text in each question. What does it say? Mark the correct letter A, B, C on your answer sheet.

Questions 1-5

FISHING IS PROHIBITED

- A. You must get the license to fish here.
- B. You can only catch certain types of fish.
- C. You are not allowed to fish here.

Hi Dan,
My brother won't let me borrow his baseball boots, so I need to buy some. Can you tell me which shop in town you bought yours from? Thanks.
Harry

- Harry wants to
- A. meet Dan in town to borrow his baseball boots.
 - B. tell Dan which shop he can get some baseball boots from.
 - C. find out where Dan went to get his baseball boots.

PLEASE SPEAK QUIETLY IN THE LIBRARY AREA. PEOPLE STUDYING NEARBY.

- A. You can stay here if you are studying.
- B. You should try not to disturb people.
- C. You may only speak in certain parts of the library.

Special offer! \$20 Batteries not included

- A. This toy does not use batteries.
- B. The special offer does not include batteries.
- C. Batteries are on special offer for \$20.

IMPROVED SERVICE From next month this bank will remain open until 2 pm on Saturdays.

- A. After next month the bank will be open all weekend.
- B. The bank closes at 2pm on weekdays.
- C. The bank will have longer opening hours in future.

PART 2. Read the passage below and fill in each blank with ONE suitable word.

Questions 6-15

The (6) _____ of computers makes jobs outdated. For example, typists are (7) _____ by people who could use a computer to word process documents. Some routine jobs are replaced by (8) _____ machines controlled by computers. Some (9) _____ jobs are replaced by robotype machines making the work much safer. Thanks to computers, many new jobs appear. New skills are needed to use the computer (10) _____ and hardware. Computer (11) _____ write the instructions to make the computer (12) _____. Engineers to build the automatic machines are (13) _____ and more needed. Some people may work (14) _____ hours as a result of automation and the introduction of information (15) _____ into the workplace.

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| 6. A. develop | B. replacement | C. appear | D. invention |
| 7. B. taken place | B. replaced | C. placed | D. played against |
| 8. A. automatic | B. automation | C. automatical | D. automatically |
| 9. A. exciting | B. dangerous | C. interesting | D. funny |
| 10. A. softly ware | B. safety ware | C. softly ware | D. software |
| 11. A. writers | B. repairers | C. programmers | D. users |
| 12. A. to work | B. work | C. working | D. worked |
| 13. A. least | B. the least | C. the less | D. more |
| 14. A. less | B. least | C. the less | D. the least |
| 15. A. technique | B. technology | C. technological | D. technical |

PART 3. Read the text to decide if each statement is TRUE or FALSE.

Questions 16-25

METAL GIRAFFE ARRIVES AT SCHOOL

The pupils of Grangetovvn High have been busy getting to know their newest and tallest classmate - a 7-metre-tall giraffe outside their school.

The giraffe is a huge metal sculpture made by a local artist. The school's headmaster noticed the sculpture in the artist's garden as he drove past one day, and thought it would be perfect for his school. 'I knew everyone would love it,' he said, 'because our basketball team is known as the Grangetovvn Giraffes, and they wear giraffes on their shirts. So I asked them to write a letter to the artist, asking how much it would cost to buy the giraffe. He was very kind and got it ready to deliver in six weeks - all for nothing! He arranged for it to arrive one Sunday morning, so that the pupils would see it when

they got to school on the Monday - at that stage they had no idea that we were getting it.'

The artist, Tom Bennett, was a university professor of chemistry before he retired in 2006 and only took up metal work a couple of years ago. But he had always been a keen artist. 'We always drawn pictures,' he said. 'I can even remember doing it on my first day at school - I drew a horse. I wanted it to be the best horse picture ever, but I don't think I succeeded!'

Tom's first project using metal was a bicycle for two that he and his wife could go cycling on together. 'It was the most uncomfortable bike ever created,' admits Tom, so I gave up making bicycles and went into sculpture instead.'

The first metal sculpture I ever did was of a lion, which now also lives at a school. It started out as a cat, but it just didn't look right, so I made it into a lion and put it in my front garden. It soon began to attract attention from passers-by. Some small children wouldn't walk past the lion unless they could have a turn sitting and playing on its back. I think children feel that my sculptures look like actual live animals, and that's what I want.'

Meanwhile the pupils at Grangetown High are very happy with their new classmate. 'We're going to hold a competition to give it a proper name,' said one girl. 'Everyone likes the expression on its face, so perhaps that will give us some ideas.'

16. The headmaster wrote to the artist to ask about buying the sculpture for the school. A. True B. False
17. The school got the giraffe sculpture free of charge. A. True B. False
18. The schoolchildren were looking forward to the arrival of the giraffe. A. True B. False
19. The artist Tom Bennett started making metal objects while he was working at a university. A. True B. False
20. Tom thinks that he did an excellent drawing on his first day at school. A. True B. False
21. Tom only made one metal bicycle for himself and his wife. A. True B. False
22. Tom changed one of his metal sculptures into a different animal while he was making it. A. True B. False
23. Tom says that his lion sculpture was very popular with small children. A. True B. False
24. Tom intends his animal sculptures to appear realistic. A. True B. False
25. The pupils of Grangetown High have decided on a name for their giraffe sculpture. A. True B. False

PART 4. Read the following passages and choose the best answer for each question.
Questions 26-28 refer to the following announcement:

WINTER WONDERLAND

January 22

10 am to 3 pm

All employees are invited to Rittco's annual team-building day.
 Join us for a fun day of ice skating. Bring your family and enjoy a day
 at Uncle Jack's Skating Park.

Tickets include:

Skate Rental

2-30 minute skating sessions

Hayride

Lunch

Cost: \$7 for each adult and \$4 for each child under the age of 10.

Please make your reservations by January 18.

You can send an email to Jamie in Human Resources.

(This event is only open to employees and their family members)

26. Why is the company holding this event?

- A. To encourage the employees to skate more
- B. To build team-work between the employees
- C. To help struggling families
- D. To support Uncle Jack's Skating Park

27. Who is the event only open to?

- A. Employees
- B. Employees and their friends
- B. Employees and their family members
- D. Employees and their spouses

28. If 2 parents and their 6 and 11 year old child attend, how much will it cost?

- A. \$22
- B. \$24
- C. \$28
- D. \$18

Questions 29-32 refer to the following guide:

Customer Guide	Page
- Area code	29
- Billing	20
- Choosing a telephone service	7
- Consumer information	12
- Directory assistant	9
- Special services	22
- Telephone repair	3

29. Where would you likely find this guide?
- In a telephone booth
 - On a public telephone
 - With a telephone bill
 - In a telephone directory
30. How is the list organized?
- In chronological order
 - By order of importance
 - In alphabetical order
 - In order of popularity
31. What page would you turn to for telephone repair?
- Page 3
 - page 7
 - Page 12
 - Page 22
32. Which page has advice about choosing a telephone service?
- Page 4
 - Page 7
 - Page 12
 - Page 29

Questions 33-35 refer to the following letter.

GARDENS BY HOK

P.O. Box 684, 1103 Lisbon, Portugal

September 8th, 20—Guy Williams

Landscape Design Magazine

Ottho Heldringstraat 2

1066 AZ Amsterdam

The Netherlands

Dear Mr. Williams,

Thank you for sending the advertising information we requested. After careful consideration, we have decided not to place an ad in the December issue. Because of the nature of our business, we generally spend more of our advertising dollars during the warmer months of the year. We will probably, however, want to advertise with you in your next issue in March in anticipation of the spring rush. We will be in touch with you closer to that time to discuss pricing, placement, etc.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Sov Hok

33. What is Sov Hok's business?
- Magazine publication
 - Garden design
 - Advertising
 - Magazine sales
34. Why did Mr. Hok write this letter?
- To find out about magazine subscription
 - To ask for a job
 - To discuss placing an ad
 - To ask about pricing
35. How often does *Landscape Design Magazine* come out?
- Weekly
 - Monthly
 - Bi-monthly
 - Quarterly

Questions 36-40 refer to the following text:

Neil Armstrong and the Apollo 11

Neil Armstrong started flying at an early age. He became interested in airplanes at the age of 2. At 15, he took flying lessons. He got a license to fly at 16. He learned how to fly before he learned how to drive a car. At university, he studies aeronautical engineering. This is the study of designing and making aircraft.

After Armstrong became an astronaut in 1962, he was trained for 4 years for the Apollo program. The Apollo mission was to put a man on the moon in ten years. On July 16, 1969, the Apollo 11 landed on the moon. Because Armstrong was the leader, he became the first man to step on the moon. He said, "This is one small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind." He and his fellow astronaut, Buzz Aldrin, walked on the moon for two and a half hours. They collected rocks and did some experiments.

36. What is the main idea of the passage?
- A. The Apollo mission to the moon
 - B. Why Neil Armstrong became an astronaut
 - C. Neil Armstrong, the first man on the moon
 - D. The aeronautic education of Neil Armstrong
37. The word "license" in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to _____.
- A. skill
 - B. desire
 - C. education
 - D. permission
38. The word "This" in paragraph 1 refers to _____.
- A. license to fly
 - B. aeronautic engineering
 - C. flying lessons
 - D. aircraft
39. According to paragraph 2, which of the following is true about Armstrong's training as an astronaut?
- A. Its purpose was to have him step on the moon
 - B. Its aim was to make Neil Armstrong a leader.
 - C. It helped Neil Armstrong design the Apollo spacecraft.
 - D. It made Neil Armstrong an astronaut in 1962.
40. The author's main purpose in paragraph 2 is _____.
- A. to explain the objectives of the Apollo 11 mission
 - B. to compare Apollo 11 and late flights to the moon
 - C. to tell about Armstrong and the success of Apollo 11's mission
 - D. to reveal what Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin did on the moon