

Cambridge IELTS 16 Listening Test 04

PART 3

Questions 21-22

Choose **TWO** letters, **A-E**.

*Which **TWO** benefits of city bike-sharing schemes do the students agree are the most important?*

- A** reducing noise pollution
- B** reducing traffic congestion
- C** improving air quality
- D** encouraging health and fitness
- E** making cycling affordable

Questions 23-24

Choose **TWO** letters, **A-E**.

*Which **TWO** things do the students think are necessary for successful bike-sharing schemes?*

- A** Bikes should have a GPS system.
- B** The app should be easy to use.
- C** Public awareness should be raised.
- D** Only one scheme should be available.
- E** There should be a large network of cycle lanes.

Questions 25-30

What is the speakers' opinion of the bike-sharing schemes in each of the following cities?

*Choose **SIX** answers from the box and write the correct letter, **A-G**, next to Questions 25-30.*

Opinion of bike-sharing scheme

- A** They agree it has been disappointing.
- B** They think it should be cheaper.
- C** They are surprised it has been so successful.
- D** They agree that more investment is required.
- E** They think the system has been well designed.
- F** They disagree about the reasons for its success.
- G** They think it has expanded too quickly.

Cities

- 25** Amsterdam
- 26** Dublin
- 27** London
- 28** Buenos Aires
- 29** New York
- 30** Sydney

PART 4

Questions 31 – 40

Complete the notes below.

Write **ONE WORD ONLY** for each answer.

THE EXTINCTION OF THE DODO BIRD

The dodo was a large flightless bird which used to inhabit the island of Mauritius.

History

- 1507 – Portuguese ships transporting **31** stopped at the island to collect food and water.
- 1638 – The Dutch established a **32** on the island.
- They killed the dodo birds for their meat.
- The last one was killed in 1681.

Description

- The only record we have is written descriptions and pictures (possibly unreliable).
- A Dutch painting suggests the dodo was very **33**
- The only remaining soft tissue is a dried **34**
- Recent studies of a dodo skeleton suggest the birds were capable of rapid **35**
- It's thought they were able to use their small wings to maintain **36**
- Their **37** was of average size.
- Their sense of **38** enabled them to find food.

Reasons for extinction

- Hunting was probably not the main cause.
- Sailors brought dogs and monkeys.
- **39** also escaped onto the island and ate the birds' eggs.
- The arrival of farming meant the **40** was destroyed.