Listening paper

Part 1

You will hear three different extracts. For questions **1 – 6**, choose the answer (**A**, **B** or **C**) which fits best according to what you hear. There are two questions for each extract.

Extract One

You hear a woman telling her friend about a dance class she has been attending.

1 Why did she decide to join the class?

A She thought it would be a good way to get fit.

B She hoped it would help her to relax.

C She wanted to relive childhood memories.

2 What did she find surprising about the first class?

A how much concentration was needed

B how repetitive the movements were

C how satisfied it made her feel

Extract Two

You hear part of an interview with the manager of a football team.

3 What does he think has been his most important achievement this season?

A winning more matches than in the previous season

B introducing young players into the team

C improving the attitude of staff at the club

4 In his opinion, professional footballers these days

A are paid too much money.

B receive too much media exposure.

C need to improve the way they behave.

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Extract Three

You hear part of a radio discussion in which two people are reviewing a new computer game.

5 What overall opinion does the woman have of the game?

A It encourages players to be imaginative.

B It will appeal to a wide range of people.

C It presents a new idea for a computer game.

6 What do they agree is a weakness of the game?

A Some tasks are not challenging enough.

B The soundtrack does not have enough variety.

C Some visual images are not very interesting.

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Part 2

You will hear a diver called Coleen Mason talking about visiting a coral reef in a small submarine. For questions **7 – 14**, complete the sentences.

Coleen says that north-east Atlantic coral is similar in shape to a **(7)** ..... .

Coleen mentions seeing a species of yellow **(8)** .....

as well as coral on her trip.

The submarine Coleen went in had a length of 2.5 metres and a width of **(9)** ..... .

The submarine was put into the water by a **(10)** ..... .

Coleen found it difficult to know exactly where the submarine would touch down because of the

(11) ..... .

Coleen explains that water depth can be estimated naturally based

on the **(12)** ..... .

Coleen was particularly impressed by the large numbers of shrimps and **(13)** .....

she spotted on the reef.

Coleen says the only sound in the ocean during her dive was that made by the

(14) ..... .

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Part 3

You will hear a radio interview in which a man called Frank Williams, the presenter of a television series about archaeology, is talking about his work. For questions **15 – 20**, choose the answer (**A**, **B**, **C** or **D**) which fits best according to what you hear.

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15 Frank was chosen to present the television series about archaeology because of

A his experience of difficult environments.
B his knowledge of the subject.
C his ability to communicate.
D his research background.

16 What does Frank say about the way subjects for his programmes are selected?

A He thinks too much attention is paid to the way things look.
B He would like to contribute more to the decision-making.
C He feels that topics are sometimes chosen too quickly.
D He approves of the variety of people involved.

17 What has been the most difficult thing for Frank in making his programmes?

A Keeping fit enough to cope with the type of work he does.
B Learning about a different subject for each programme.
C Writing the book that goes with the television series.
D Travelling long distances on a regular basis.

18 The main difference between Frank's projects and conventional archaeological research is that they

A have a limited time scale.
B have less scientific value.
C produce definitive answers.
D avoid dealing with difficult ideas.

19 Frank thinks the programmes he presents are so popular because

A they treat audiences as intelligent people.
B they remind people of some well-known films.
C they cater for a growing interest in ancient history.
D they have interesting storylines for viewers to follow.

20 As a result of the success of the series, Frank thinks that in future

A the subjects investigated will have to be more exciting.
B he will be able to present other types of television programmes.
C his archaeology programmes will attract extra financial backing.
D more people will feel encouraged to take up archaeology as a profession.

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Part 4

You will hear five short extracts in which university students are talking about a period of work placement they did as part of their course.

While you listen you must complete both tasks.

TASK ONE

For questions **21 – 25**, choose from the list **A – H**, what led each speaker to do their particular work placement.

A the intervention of a tutor

B a family connection

C another student's recommendation

D a chance meeting

E responding to an advertisement

F an online search

G being approached by the company

H using a recruitment agency

Speaker 1 [ ] **21**

Speaker 2 [ ] **22**

Speaker 3 [ ] **23**

Speaker 4 [ ] **24**

Speaker 5 [ ] **25**

TASK TWO

For questions **26 – 30**, choose from the list **A – H**, what each speaker gained most from the experience.

A increased confidence

B a wider range of skills

C an insight into office procedures

D useful contacts

E a lucrative job offer

F ideas for a study assignment

G seeing how to run training sessions

H observing how colleagues interacted

Speaker 1 [ ] **26**

Speaker 2 [ ] **27**

Speaker 3 [ ] **28**

Speaker 4 [ ] **29**

Speaker 5 [ ] **30**

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