WORD PRACTICE

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

CD2
Track 5

Part 1 Photo

Look at the picture and listen to the sentences. Choose the sentence that best describes the picture.



1. Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ Ⓓ

Part 2 Question–Response

Listen to the question and the three responses. Choose the response that best answers the question.

2. Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ

3. Ⓐ Ⓑ Ⓒ

Part 3 Conversation

Listen to the dialogue. Then read each question and choose the best answer.

4. What does the man want to do?
   (A) Validate his signature.
   (B) Sign a contract.
   (C) Become a lawyer.
   (D) Get out of a lease.

5. What is he afraid of?
   (A) Wearing the wrong suit.
   (B) Paying too much money.
   (C) Making the wrong decision.
   (D) Being sued.

6. When does he have to make a decision?
   (A) Before 10:00.
   (B) Before the end of the month.
   (C) In four months.
   (D) In ten months.

Part 4 Talk

Listen to the talk. Then read each question and choose the best answer.

7. Who is the audience for this talk?
   (A) Customers and clients.
   (B) Landlords.
   (C) Lawyers.
   (D) Tenants.

8. What should a business owner do before signing a lease?
   (A) Make sure her business is successful.
   (B) Look at the neighborhood.
   (C) Get more customers.
   (D) Occupy the space.

9. What length of time does the speaker recommend for a lease?
   (A) Four years.
   (B) Five years.
   (C) Nine years.
   (D) Ten years.

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READING

Part 5 Incomplete Sentences

Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

10. The president was _____ about adding more space to the factory.
    (A) apprehend (C) apprehension
    (B) apprehensive (D) apprehended

11. The financial _____ of our business don't allow us to lease an office with such a high monthly rent.
    (A) circumstances (C) circumstantially
    (B) circumstantial (D) circumstanced

12. The real estate agent couldn't determine how to best work with a company that placed so many _____ on everything that they did.
    (A) conditional (C) conditioned
    (B) condition (D) conditions

13. The buyer _____ with a nod of his head that he was placing a bid on the property.
    (A) indicates (C) indicated
    (B) indication (D) indicator

14. _____ as it does, I don't understand how anyone can depend on that country's market to provide a safe investment.
    (A) Fluctuated (C) Fluctuation
    (B) Fluctuating (D) Fluctuate

15. The lawyers signed the papers and the company took _____ of the new building.
    (A) occupied (C) occupancy
    (B) occupants (D) occupying

Part 6 Text Completion

For Rent

Large, sunny office in prime downtown location. We are seeking a tenant to take over the lease from the current occupant, who must leave due __16__ unforeseen circumstances. The new tenant will take over the six months remaining on the lease and will have the __17__ to renew for an additional year. The office has been recently repainted and is in excellent __18__. Call 567-0943 between 10:00 and 4:00 Monday through Friday to make an appointment to see the space.

16. (A) to
    (B) of
    (C) by
    (D) on

17. (A) optionally
    (B) optional
    (C) option
    (D) opt

18. (A) fluctuation
    (B) indication
    (C) apprehension
    (D) condition

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Part 7 Reading Comprehension

Questions 19–23 refer to the following e-mail message.

To: Ted Van Dorn
From: Bernadette Riley
Subject: Office space
Date: April 10

Ted,

I have found the solution to our office problems. I know that you have been wanting to get out of the neighborhood where our office is currently located, but that you have been apprehensive about the cost of renting in a better neighborhood. I have found an office downtown that I am sure we can afford. It is a bit smaller than our current space, but I think it will be big enough. The best part is, the rent is the same as we are paying now. This is due to the fact that the office is not in excellent condition. However, I think it will be easy for us to paint it and make a few small repairs. The space will be available for occupancy on the fifteenth of next month. We have the option of signing a one- or two-year lease, so we won't have to lock ourselves into a long-term contract. However, in order to get the low rent, we have to sign by the thirtieth of this month. If you are interested in this, I can arrange for you to see the space this weekend. Let me know as soon as possible.

Bern

19. Why doesn't Ted like his current office?
    (A) It is in a bad location.
    (B) It is too expensive.
    (C) It isn't big enough.
    (D) It isn't in good condition.

20. When can Ted and Bernadette move into the new office?
    (A) April 10.
    (B) April 15.
    (C) May 10.
    (D) May 15.

21. What do they have to do before the end of this month?
    (A) Paint the office.
    (B) Sign the lease.
    (C) Change the locks.
    (D) Leave their old office.

22. The word *apprehensive* in line 3 is closest in meaning to
    (A) certain
    (B) relaxed
    (C) anxious
    (D) delighted

23. The word *option* in line 8 is closest in meaning to
    (A) choice
    (B) desire
    (C) necessity
    (D) requirement

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