Listening Test 9

Part 1

You will hear people talking in eight different situations. For questions 1-8, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

1 You hear a news item about a man who has just been given an award. Why was he given the award?
A for shooting a man
B for holding up a restaurant
C for catching a robber

2 You hear an announcement. You have left your car in the car park for 40 minutes. How much will you pay?
A nothing
B 50p
C £1

3 You hear two men talking. Where are they?
A in a factory
B in a garage
C in a supermarket

4 You hear two women called Vera and Jane talking. What does Vera think of Tony?
A He's talkative.
B He's polite.
C He's mean.

5 You hear part of a university lecture. Which subject is the lecture about?
A Law
B Medicine
C History

6 You hear an introduction on a TV show. What kind of show is it?
A a documentary
B a game show
C a chat show

7 You hear a radio announcement. Who is Mr Hill?
A a hospital patient
B a criminal
C a holiday maker

8 You hear a woman talking to her husband. What will she buy?
A dog food
B olive oil
C cheese

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Part 2

You will hear a man called Wilhelm Zeppelin talking on the radio about his great-grandfather Ferdinand. For questions 9-18, complete the sentences.

Wilhelm Zeppelin is _____ 9 that Ferdinand von Zeppelin is still so famous.

Ferdinand von Zeppelin began making airships more than _____ 10 ago.

Ferdinand was originally a _____ 11 , not an inventor.

While visiting _____ 12 as a young man, Ferdinand flew in an 'aerostat', an early form of balloon.

After this, he became interested in making a _____ 13 which could carry passengers around the world.

His first patent described the airship he had designed as a flying _____ 14

Unlike balloons, Ferdinand's airship had _____ 15 so it could fly into the wind.

The _____ 16 of his airship LZ-1 took place on 2 July 1900.

The German _____ 17 asked him to build a fleet of airships.

Zeppelin wanted his airships to be used for travel rather than only for _____ 18

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Part 3

You will hear descriptions of five different days from the itinerary of a tour of Russia. For questions 19-23, choose from the list (A-F) which statement applies to each day. Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

A On this day you don't have a specific programme to follow.

B On this day you travel on water as well as by road.

C On this day you learn to do some traditional crafts.

D On this day you can choose to listen to music.

E On this day you can buy local souvenirs.

F On this day there is a surprise event in the evening.

Day 1		19
Day 2		20
Day 3		21
Day 4		22
Day 5		23

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Part 4

You will hear a sociology lecturer talking about shopping habits. For questions 24-30, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

24 What were shops like in the past?
- A They specialised in goods for families.
- B Their goods cost much less than today.
- C They often had a limited range of goods.

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25 What is shopping like today?
- A There are price reductions all the time.
- B Most shops can only be reached by car.
- C There are similar shops in most towns.

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26 What is the most popular method of payment today?
- A cash
- B credit card
- C cheque

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27 Why is shopping on the Internet popular?
- A It's convenient and time-saving.
- B The staff are helpful.
- C There are fewer new shops opening.

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28 Why is Internet shopping good for older people?
- A They can learn to use computers.
- B It is not as tiring as going to the shops themselves.
- C Shopping in supermarkets is more expensive.

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29 Shoppers may not like ordering on the Internet because
- A pictures of the goods are often unclear.
- B goods may not be the quality you expect.
- C orders take a long time to arrive by post.

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30 What does the lecturer believe?
- A There are too many disadvantages to Internet shopping.
- B Internet shopping will be less popular in the future.
- C Shopping habits will continue to change.

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Listening Test 10

Part 1

You will hear people talking in eight different situations. For questions 1-8, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

1 You hear two answerphone messages.
After the messages, what is Nick supposed to do?
A visit his mother
B take his mother to Blackpool
C phone Jenny

2 You hear an advertisement for a supermarket.
What does it suggest you should buy?
A Asdaway products
B popular products
C half-price products

3 You hear a short news item. Why did a doctor stop at Alan's house?
A His car had broken down.
B He was lost.
C The house was on fire.

4 You hear a girl talking to her mother.
What does she think of her mother's suggestions?
A One dish is too fattening.
B One dish needs too much cooking.
C One dish is too complicated.

5 You hear a receptionist talking on the phone. Where does she work?
A a college
B an accountant's office
C a doctor's surgery

6 You hear someone addressing a crowd of people. Where are they?
A at a building site
B at a road accident
C outside a burning building

7 You hear two men, Alan and Jim, talking about a tree. Who will keep the tree?
A Alan
B Jim
C Steve

8 You hear a chef on a TV cookery programme.
Why doesn't she make brownies very often?
A They are hard to resist.
B They are too moist.
C They are very heavy.

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Part 2

You will hear a radio programme on which the host, Gordon Joyce, talks to a woman called Maggie Forbes about food packaging. For questions 9-18, complete the sentences.

Gordon says that, until quite recently, most food packaging consisted of a brown _____ 9

Plastic packaging is supposed to keep food _____ 10 and so make it better.

Maggie Forbes is in charge of packaging and _____ 11 for a chain of supermarkets.

She says that 30-50% of food is wasted in countries without modern packaging and _____ 12 systems.

In contrast, Maggie says, people in Europe throw away no more than _____ 13 of food nowadays.

Maggie claims plastic packaging saves money, but Gordon suggests that it is a _____ 14

Maggie says food stored in the _____ 15 should be wrapped in plastic to prevent loss of water content.

She points out that glass and stone containers are easily broken and very _____ 16

She says that plastic packaging prevents food smelling and _____ 17 bacteria which cause food poisoning.

Gordon is worried that plastic bags have a very bad effect on the _____ 18

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Part 3

You will hear five different horoscopes on the radio. For questions 19-23, choose from the list (A-F) what each horoscope says. Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

A You will have a difficult year.

B You should think about getting married.

C You can meet new companions.

D You should take care at work.

E You might get promoted.

F You are good with money.

Horoscope 1		19
Horoscope 2		20
Horoscope 3		21
Horoscope 4		22
Horoscope 5		23

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Part 4

You'll hear a radio interview with Doctor Ramsdale about keeping healthy. For questions 24-30, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

24 According to Dr Ramsdale, how does life today differ from the past?
- A People rarely visit the doctor.
- B People have more money.
- C People are healthier.

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25 Dr Ramsdale advises people to
- A cook food without fat.
- B check their blood pressure.
- C learn about heart disease.

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26 What does Dr Ramsdale say could help fat teenagers?
- A They should eat regularly and often.
- B They should learn more about food.
- C They should count their calories.

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27 According to Dr Ramsdale, nowadays children
- A eat too many potatoes.
- B enjoy playing outside.
- C are usually inactive.

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28 What does Dr Ramsdale feel children today are like?
- A independent
- B capable
- C spoilt

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29 What should people do if they suffer from stress or depression?
- A improve the way they live
- B take pills prescribed by the doctor
- C buy fewer expensive possessions

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30 What does Dr Ramsdale believe?
- A Changing your lifestyle is worth the extra money.
- B It is not difficult to adopt a better lifestyle.
- C People should visit their doctor less often.

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