

PRACTICE TEST 5

Listening Section

Time: 45 Minutes

37 Questions

To work through the Listening section of the practice test, you need to use the second audio CD that is included in this book. Starting with Track 6 of the CD, you will hear people having brief conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear a question that you must answer based on your understanding of what the speaker(s) said. Each question is printed below, along with answer choices. Mark your answer choices as you go along. The CD track numbers that you need to listen to are indicated throughout the section.

After you have completed this practice test and checked your answers, turn to the appendix of this book. The conversations that you heard on the CD are transcribed there. If you had any difficulty understanding what a speaker was saying, listen to the CD again, this time reading what is being said at the same time you listen to it. Do not turn to the appendix until you have worked through this practice test at least once by just listening to the CD.

Part A

Directions: In this part, you will hear short conversations between two people. After the conversation, a question will be asked. Choose the answer that most accurately answers the question based on what is stated or implied by the speakers. Mark the answer in your book or on a separate piece of paper.

CD B, Track 6

1. What do the speakers think of the two movies they are discussing?
 - A. They did not care for either movie.
 - B. They think they have seen both movies previously.
 - C. They liked the Clooney movie so much that they would see it again.
 - D. Both are probably action movies.
2. What does the woman say about Ellen's plans?
 - A. Ellen is likely to seek a degree in English.
 - B. Ellen has already been accepted into the linguistics program.
 - C. Ellen has already received her doctorate.
 - D. Ellen does not intend to go to graduate school of any sort.

3. What do the speakers say about Josh and Michael?

- Michael is taller now.
- Josh is taller now.
- Michael and Josh are currently equal in height.
- Michael has stopped growing, but Josh has not.

4. What does the man imply about his lack of study for the test?

- He is not participating in a study group this time.
- His study group has not kept up with its studies.
- He has been studying quite a bit, but he cannot grasp the concepts.
- He does not believe the professor uses fair questions.

5. What does the man seem to think about the lot they are discussing?

- It's the worst choice available.
- They should buy it immediately before somebody else does.
- It's probably the best choice available.
- All the lots are equal in usable space.

6. What does the woman say about her cottage?

- She has been working hard at renovating it.
- She is not able to go there much because of her work.
- She does not enjoy going there as much as she used to.
- She has been visiting it quite regularly but is getting tired of it.

7. What does the woman say about Michelle?

- She chose the University of Miami over the University of North Florida.
- She is changing schools because she wants to be farther from home.
- She will probably attend the University of North Florida.
- She had never actually applied at the University of Miami.

8. What do the speakers imply about the new employee?

- The new employee is lazy.
- The new employee is on a lunch break.
- The new employee is extremely helpful.
- The new employee is able to do her work efficiently while reading.

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9. What are the speakers thinking of doing?

- A. Taking a replacement test
- B. Writing a paper
- C. Changing classes
- D. Taking an essay test instead of a multiple choice test

10. What do the speakers say that the man did?

- A. Dropped out of school
- B. Quit one class for another
- C. Decided to take a more advanced math class
- D. Decided to take the honors level of geometry

11. What does the woman say about the races?

- A. She has not attended lately.
- B. She has never been to the races.
- C. She regularly attends the races.
- D. She is hoping to go to the races soon.

12. What had the man assumed?

- A. That Nadia was going to work instead of Allison
- B. That Allison was going to work for Nadia
- C. That Allison was going to work instead of trying to get the day off
- D. That Allison found a job for Nadia

13. According to the woman, why hasn't the man seen Christopher?

- A. Christopher was late because he stopped somewhere on the way.
- B. Christopher has been attending, but the man has missed him.
- C. Christopher has quit attending.
- D. Christopher did not attend because of the rain.

14. What does the woman imply about the man?

- A. He needs help but will not admit it.
- B. He can easily handle the project himself.
- C. He is very handy.
- D. He should help the woman.

15. What does the woman suggest that the man do?

- A. Give up
- B. Keep trying
- C. Look at the book
- D. Call the help desk

Part B

Directions: In this part, you will hear several conversations and talks. You will hear each conversation or talk only once, and then you will hear several questions. Answer the questions based on what is stated or implied by the speakers. Choose the best of the answer choices provided. Mark the answer in your book or on a separate piece of paper.

CD B, Track 7

16. What does the woman say about the health of coral reefs since 1998?

- A. It has declined since 1998.
- B. It has improved somewhat since 1998.
- C. It was improving but now is declining again.
- D. It has improved so much that work has been discontinued.

17. According to the woman, which of the following is not a reason why coral reefs are important?

- A. Healthy coral reefs cause the ocean water to be healthy.
- B. Coral reefs provide protection for the shore.
- C. Coral reefs are home to fish and other sea animals.
- D. Coral reefs have some benefits for human health.

18. What does the speaker describe as a major cause of coral reef death?

- A. Contaminants, such as bleach, in the water
- B. The death of sea life

19. What does the speaker describe as the relationship between coral and algae?

- A. Algae cannibalize coral.
- B. Algae are required for coral's health.
- C. Algae cause bleaching.
- D. Algae and coral rarely coexist.

20. What has been done to improve the health of coral reefs?

- A. The government has tried a complicated procedure for cooling ocean water.
- B. The government has spent money for research, education, and monitoring reefs.
- C. Nothing.
- D. The coral reefs' health has improved with no assistance.

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CD B, Track 8

21. Where is the man living currently?

- A. In an apartment complex
- B. In a hotel
- C. At a friend's house
- D. He just arrived today and does not have a place to sleep yet.

22. Who does the woman imply is eligible for help by her office?

- A. Any student of the university
- B. Only students of the intensive English program
- C. Anybody at all
- D. Only people with scholarships

23. How does the woman seem to know the man is in the intensive English program?

- A. She looked at his identification card.
- B. She looked on a roster.
- C. It was not relevant.
- D. She took his word for it.

24. What size apartment does the man say he needs?

- A. The size does not matter to him.
- B. He needs a place with two bedrooms.
- C. He just wants to share a place with other students.
- D. He needs a very large apartment.

25. What does the man seem to think is the most important difference between the two apartments the woman discusses?

- A. Proximity to the university
- B. Benefits that his wife and child would enjoy
- C. Cost
- D. Size

26. What does the woman imply is the biggest drawback of the less expensive apartment?

- A. Lack of air conditioning
- B. Distance from the university
- C. Cost
- D. Lack of laundry facilities close by

CD B, Track 9

27. Why does the speaker indicate that the digestive system is the best place for the new technology?

- A.** Because using the endoscope in that system is more painful than in other systems
- B.** Because there is a natural flow, facilitated by the body itself
- C.** Because the digestive juices will not dissolve the capsule
- D.** Because there is more incidence of illness in the digestive system than in other areas

28. For which of the following items would the capsule not be helpful?

- A.** Locating a tumor in the bowel
- B.** Locating pre-cancer cells in the esophagus
- C.** Obtaining tissue for a biopsy
- D.** Viewing abnormalities in the stomach lining

29. What is the main reason that some scientists believe the capsule would be helpful?

- A.** The endoscope is uncomfortable.
- B.** The endoscope does not have as many unique benefits as the capsule will.

30. Which of the following does the speaker imply would not be part of the capsule?

- A.** A camera
- B.** Lights
- C.** A transmitter
- D.** A scalpel

31. Which of the following does the speaker imply is true?

- A.** The capsule is an advance in science along the same lines as digital and wireless technology.
- B.** The capsule will be easy to control as it moves through the body.
- C.** Scientists generally believe that this technology will replace endoscopes in a few years.
- D.** The capsule will dissolve before it reaches the end.

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CD B, Track 10

32. What appears to be the woman's level of knowledge of Canavan Disease?

- A. She is quite familiar with it.
- B. She has studied it in the past.
- C. She has no prior knowledge of it.
- D. She knows that she is a carrier.

33. According to the man, which of the following is possibly a carrier of the illness?

- A. Somebody of Ashkenazi Jewish descent.
- B. Somebody whose parents are both of Ashkenazi Jewish descent
- C. Somebody with any Jewish background
- D. A person whose mother was Jewish

34. How does the man indicate that the disease affects the body?

- A. The disease causes the brain to grow rapidly.
- B. The disease causes a protective material to disappear.
- C. The disease results from too much of an enzyme.
- D. The disease results from one problematic gene.

35. Why does the man want to know the woman's cultural background?

- A. If her background is not the same as her husband's, then there is no chance they could pass on the disease.
- B. Women from other Jewish backgrounds can carry the disease.
- C. The woman would have to undergo a different type of test.
- D. The woman is the primary carrier.

36. What is the woman's demeanor at the end of the discussion?

- A. Angry
- B. Disgusted
- C. Resigned
- D. Mistrustful

37. What does the gene on Chromosome 17 do?

- A. Synthesizes the enzyme
- B. Destroys the enzyme
- C. Destroys white matter
- D. Creates white matter

