



SAINT PATRICK INSTITUTE OF ENGLISH
PRE FIRST 2020 – FINAL EXAM

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 friends talking about a laptop computer.

What is the woman doing?

- A.** persuading her friend to buy one like it
- B.** offering to lend it to her friend for a day
- C.** explaining why she needed a new one

2. You hear two students talking about a play they have just seen.

What do they agree was good about it?

- A.** the script
- B.** the set
- C.** the actors

3. You hear two people talking about a friend.

What do they agree about him?

- A.** He's very helpful
- B.** He's easy to get to know
- C.** He rarely complains about anything

4. You hear a lecturer talking to some of his students about their history project.

What is he doing?

- A.** encouraging them to ask him questions about it
- B.** recommending some books that will help with it
- C.** advising them on how to organise their time

5. You hear two TV sports presenters talking about their work.

What do they agree about sports presenters?

- A.** They're generally more effective when using a script
- B.** They have to be able to relate well to their audience
- C.** They should adopt an attitude that isn't too serious

6. You hear a woman talking about a radio programme.

What does she say about the programme?

- A.** It provided her with a lot of useful information
- B.** It was more interesting than she had expected
- C.** It made her want to find out about a place

7. You hear two music students talking about an assignment they have to do.

What are they both unsure about?

- A.** what to include in the piece of writing
- B.** how to organise the recording
- C.** what kind of music they should perform

8. You hear a writer talking about a book she wrote which has been turned into a film.

How does the writer feel about the film director?

- A.** She thinks he has made a good film
- B.** She is upset because her opinion was ignored
- C.** She found him easy to work with

PART 4

You will hear part of a radio interview with someone called Jane Brown, who is a home economist working in the food industry. For questions 24-30 choose the best answer (A, B or C).

1. Why did Jane choose to study at Longley University?

- A.** The location suited her
- B.** She knew people there
- C.** The quality of the accommodation was good

2. What did Jane like about her course?

- A.** She gained practical experience
- B.** The teachers helped her a lot
- C.** She learned to work with other people

3. What does Jane say about her food tasting training?

- A.** It was a little boring
- B.** It was rather time-consuming
- C.** It was sometimes stressful

4. How did Jane feel when she was offered her first job?

- A.** excited to be involved in a challenging area
- B.** relieved to have been able to find employment
- C.** concerned she might not do her work well enough

5. Jane is proud that in her first job she

- A.** came up with her own original idea for a product
- B.** provided that she was capable of working independently
- C.** succeeded in doing something nobody thought she could

6. How did working in Denmark help Jane's career?

- A.** She made useful contacts
- B.** She came across new recipes
- C.** She found a better job

7. What aspect of her hob does Jane enjoy?

- A.** the wide variety of activities she does
- B.** the opportunity to meet new people
- C.** the experience of trying new foods