

PROGRESS TEST 1 – TOPNOTCH 2

PART II: General English (40 pts)

A. Reading passages

a) Read a story about greeting customs. Choose the best word to complete each sentence, according to the story.

Years ago, I went to Uruguay on vacation and I contacted an old friend of mine from college who was recently married. He and his wife invited me to their home for lunch. In my own country, I'm accustomed to shaking hands when I meet both men and women for the first time, but in Uruguay men and women often kiss each other on the cheek, except in very formal situations. But I wanted to follow the local customs. The only problem was that in some countries, you kiss once, in some, twice, and in others, three times! So it can be pretty confusing. We met on the street outside the restaurant and I shook my friend's hand. When he introduced me to his wife, we both leaned over to kiss each other on the cheek. She stopped after one kiss, but I continued to give her a kiss on the other cheek. Her husband laughed and joked, 'Peter, once is enough!' It was a little embarrassing, but we all laughed about it.

(Peter Bennington, Canada)

21 Mr. Bennington wasn't accustomed to greeting with

A. a kiss.

B. Handshake.

22 Mr. Bennington already knew that it was customary in Uruguay to greet a woman...

A. with one kiss.

B. by kissing her on the cheek.

23 Mr. Bennington thought that it's customary in Uruguay to greet a man with a...

A. handshake.

B. hug or kiss.

24 Mr. Bennington gave the woman more than one kiss because he thought

A. it was customary in Uruguay.

B. he should follow his own country's customs.

25 Every one laughed because they realized that.....

A. visitors sometimes made mistakes.

B. he was following his own country's customs.

B. Conversations

a) Put the conversation in order. Write the letter A-F next to the questions numbered 31-36 in your answer sheet.

31 A. Moussaka? No, I haven't. What's that?

32 B. Ok, I will.

33 C. Welcome to Greece. Have you been here before?

34 D. No. it is my first time.

35 E. It's a popular Greek dish. You should tried it.

36 F. Have you tried moussaka yet?

b) Choose the best response in each situation.

37 Have you been waiting long?

- A. for about 30 minutes
- B. It's my treat.
- C. twice so far
- D. No, I missed it.

38 What about a documentary? *Ocean life* is playing.

- A. I missed it.
- B. I hope that's OK.
- C. That works for me.
- D. It's on me.

39 How much do I owe?

- A. Nothing, it's on me.
- B. Next time is my treat.
- C. I overslept.
- D. well, thanks

40 Would you rather see a classic or a new release?

- A. I can take them or leave them.
- B. I hope that's OK.
- C. You choose.
- D. I don't think so.

C. Vocabulary

a) Match the movie genres with the correct descriptions. Write one letter for each question.

41 An animated film	A. has a lot of singing and dancing.
42 A musical	B. gives true facts or information.
43 A comedy	C. is made with a series of pictures, models, etc.
44 A documentary	D. is frightening or scary.
45 A science fiction film	E. is funny and makes people love.
46 An action film	F. tells a serious emotional story.
	G. has a lot of adventure and violence.
	H. tells a story about something that might happen in the future.

b) Cross out the word that does not match the category.

47 <i>gestures</i>	A hug	B take a tour	C shake hands
48 <i>tourist activities</i>	A salary	B take pictures	C take a tour
49 <i>topics for small talks</i>	A kiss	B the weather	C your job
50 <i>greetings</i>	A bow	B shake hands	C go sightseeing

D. Grammar

a) Fill in each of the sentences with the correct word given at the end of the sentence.

51 Theyhaven't seen Finding Nemo yet. (still / just)

52 Have you seen any good musicals.....? (lately / only)

53 Pam haswanted to be an actress on a big screen. (always / still)

54 I love the film King Kong. I have seen it three times! (so far / yet)

55 I've..... seen Hitchcock's Psycho. It's great. (always, just)

b) Match the sentence parts that go together. Write the letter A – F next to the questions

56	Richard has gone ...	A. sushi?
57	I haven't seen that movie...	B. school yesterday.
58	I saw that play...	C. horseback riding.
59	We have already ...	D. yet.
60	Have you ever eaten...	E. been to Madrid.
		F. last month.