

PART 1 (20 min)

Questions 1-8

You are going to read an article about a woman who runs a company called Peanuts. For questions 1-8, choose the correct answer **A**, **B** or **C**. Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet.

HUNGRY POP STARS

Valerie Jones runs a company called Peanuts whose job it is to take care of pop stars and pop groups when they go on tour. She is the person who feeds the stars and she's been doing it for the past ten years.

When the stars are playing at a festival Valerie may have to cook for up to a thousand people which includes all the crew and the people who work backstage. She builds a marquee – a huge tent – and the food is served buffet style from a central serving area. She has to provide for different tastes, so there are normally four or more choices of menu. She also has to take care of people who may be on a special diet or some singers who don't eat dairy food before a concert. She drives an enormous truck full of kitchen equipment and hires at least three walk-in refrigerators, a dishwashing unit and portable cabins which act as storerooms and office. All the bands have to line up to be served and everyone has to have a meal ticket. The stars are usually more relaxed when they are eating as no one is bothering them for autographs, although Valerie says that sometimes the security men and the stars' managers are more trouble than the stars themselves. There are certain

things which she always has to keep in stock like herbal teas and her own particular mixture of honey, lemon and ginger which singers like to keep in flasks on stage with them when they're singing. Years ago bands used to drink a lot of alcohol, but these days they're much healthier. Most bands drink fresh fruit juice and prefer to eat salads. A lot of people in the bands are pretty young and they're not used to very expensive food, so Valerie prepares plain food unless a band sends her a 'rider'. This is a list of special requirements. When people are tired, unwell or homesick they like to have familiar 'comfort' food so she keeps a stock of people's requirements **just in case**. As a result of all this, Valerie says she has become an **expert shopper** and in less than an hour in a supermarket she can spend £1000. A lot of bands won't eat before a concert because they're too nervous, so Valerie and her staff can end up working very long hours as they have to be around to provide what people want at two or three in the morning. One thing Valerie has noticed is that the crazier a band is on stage, the more normal they are when they are off it. She says she is amazed at the change in behavior. A really wild singer can turn out to be really quiet and polite off stage.

1. Valerie has to provide a range of food because
 - A. people are very fussy about what they eat.
 - B. people are used to eating in restaurants.
 - C. there is such a wide variety of preferences.
2. The singers are less nervous when they are eating because
 - A. their security men are with them.
 - B. there are no fans hanging around.
 - C. their managers fuss over them.
3. Why does Valerie have to keep a supply of certain drinks?
 - A. The bands rely on a special recipe.
 - B. The bands prefer herbal tea to coffee.
 - C. The bands take fruit juice on stage.
4. What do most bands like best to eat?
 - A. rich food
 - B. simple food
 - C. junk food
5. What does 'just in case' in line 43 refer to?
 - A. Valerie's supply of more expensive food.
 - B. Valerie's list of 'riders' from the different bands.
 - C. Valerie's supply of special food for various people.
6. Why do you think Valerie has become an 'expert shopper'?
 - A. She has a lot of money to spend each week.
 - B. She has learned to find what individuals want.
 - C. She has to buy as much as possible for £1000.
7. Why is a band likely to be hungry after playing?
 - A. They feel more relaxed after a concert.
 - B. They work long hours with little food.
 - C. They only have a snack before a concert.
8. What does Valerie think about the singers?
 - A. They are completely crazy on and off stage.
 - B. They behave differently on and off stage.
 - C. They are less rude when they are off stage.

PART 2 (15 min)**Questions 9-17**

You are going to read a magazine article in which four young people talk about running their own business. For Questions 9-17, choose from the people A-C. The people may be chosen more than once. When more than one answer is required, these may be given in any order. There is an example at the beginning (0). Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Who

was refused a bank loan? (0) ...C...
was unemployed for a while? (9)
is thinking of expanding their business? (10)
borrowed money from their family? (11)
has a small staff of people working for them? (12) (13)

discovered the factory by reading about it? (14)
has already expanded their working space? (15)
doesn't mention the cost of their product? (16)
sells their product to the theatrical world? (17)

YOUNG BUSINESSES

An old factory was empty for 30 years until young people started moving in and setting up their own businesses.

B Sonya

My parents told me about the factory when I was looking for a studio to set up my own business. I had left art college full of ideas as to what I was going to do. But I was horrified when I saw the cost of renting even a tiny studio. I produce hand-made gift boxes and wrapping paper. Each box is individually designed and decorated with gold flowers and butterflies. The wrapping paper is made to match and I will also take customers' requests if they want something very special. So, because everything is hand-made my products are quite expensive. But you can't buy them in shops or supermarkets so they really are special. Actually as the demand for my work has increased, I've now got someone working for me and I'm thinking of setting up a mail order business, probably using the internet. If it hadn't been for the opportunity to rent a space in the factory, I would still be waiting and hoping!

A Stuart

I started up my own business basically because I was out of work. I was fed up with applying for jobs and not even making it to the interview stage. Anyway, I saw an article in the local newspaper about renting work space in an old factory. You could get a loan for any equipment and you only needed to repay the money once your business was making a profit. Added to which the rent was very low. So that's exactly what I did. I borrowed some money and bought a computer and a color printer. I've always been interested in art and design and I love music and watching videos. I set about designing covers for music CDs and videos and sent off some of my work to various music companies, entertainment magazines and so on and within a year I had more orders than I could cope with by myself. Now, two years down the line, I employ a staff of three and we've branched out into designing the covers for computer games. I've been incredibly lucky and my business has really taken off.

C Euan

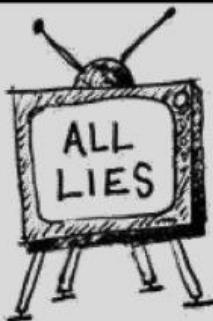
I tried to get a loan from a bank in order to start up my business. I spent hours producing a business plan, but the manager turned me down because she thought it would take years for me to make any kind of profit. Well, how wrong she was! My parents lent me the money for the first year's rent and I started work in one of the factory's smallest rooms. Now, my business has grown to such an extent that I actually rent three rooms. I make wigs for people in show business. It's not that these people are bald, they've all got their own hair. It's just that most of them are on stage night after night and they don't always have time to take care of their hair or get to a hairdresser. So they rely on being able to wear a wig that exactly matches their own hair color. A wig is very expensive - anything from £1000 upwards for just a small hairpiece. The raw material to make a wig is very costly and then every hair has to be threaded by hand so it's hours of work. And then you have to look after a wig very carefully; it needs to be repaired quite often which takes time.

For that reason a lot of people actually have two.

PART 3 (10 min)**Questions 18-27**

Read the text and choose the correct word for each space. For each question, mark the correct letter A, B, C or D.

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THE TRUTH ABOUT TELEVISIONS

A series (0) ...of... scandals has undermined people's trust in (18)..... they see on TV. It started with the (19)..... popular call-in shows. On many occasions, presenters would still encourage viewers to call the show, which can be expensive, even after the (20)..... had already been decided. Next, it was revealed that some famous shows had not been (21)..... either. Often during live performances when there was a technical problem with the telephone lines, producers ended (22)..... 'getting friends to call in. (23)..... since, it has become apparent that a lot of what we see on TV, and believe to be a truthful representation of reality, often is not. A wildlife show used zoo animals to film difficult (24)..... . A survival expert who was apparently living in the jungle actually (25)..... the night in a hotel. Are these lies or is this just (26)..... TV works? Some viewers are now so skeptical that they disbelieve (27)..... is on TV.

18. A that	B what	C which	D where
19. A much	B growing	C high	D increasingly
20. A champion	B victor	C winner	D first
21. A faithful	B true	C honest	D reliable
22. A with	B at	C up	D to
23. A all	B for	C ever	D then
24. A scenes	B chapter	C locations	D sections
25. A spent	B made	C went	D got
26. A what	B how	C which	D that
27. A however	B whatever	C wherever	D whichever

PART 4 (10 min)**Questions 28-37**

Complete this extract from a novel by putting one suitable word into each gap.

0 other

FRIENDS

Anna and Rose were chatting in the café.

'I was in that café the (0)....other.... night,' Anna said.

'Which café?' asked Rose.

'You know, the I often go to after classes, the next to the movies.'

'Oh yeah.'

'Anyway, I was with Mike and Paul and they were really miserable.'

'Really? I haven't seen of them lately.'

What was the problem?'

'Well, of them had much money and they were asking me how they could get some 'said Anna.

'But time I suggested something, they didn't like it.'

'What did you suggest?'

'Well, for example. I said that there were summer jobs at the campsite but of them said that they weren't interested in that. And they weren't fond of any of my ideas. So I just left them there, looking miserable and complaining.'

'I don't blame you.' said Rose.

PART 5 (10 min)**Questions 38-50**

Write the missing word. The first letter is there to help you. There is an example at the beginning.

Example:

0 Have you ever promised someone something important and then **gone** back on your word?

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38. Will the company make a p..... this year?

39. I know it sounds like a British bank, but its h..... are in the United States.

40. My cousin loves this c..... of restaurants! Because their service and food are the best.

41. Does your father's company i..... many goods from abroad?

42. I woke up immediately when my alarm clock w..... off this morning.

43. A..... the weather was terrible we had a good time.

44. The company made a d..... last year and it was very successful.

45. Toyota Motor Corporation is planning a spectacular event to l..... a new solar car.

46. Our company e..... a lot of buses to Holland.

47. If my brother had enough money, he'd s..... up a business making jewelry.

48. This store has b..... in cities all over the world.

49. D..... the fact my grandfather is 70, he's still very active!

50. This is one of my c..... . We work together in the accounting department.

PART 6**Questions 51-60 (10 min)**

Read the sentences below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line. There is an example at the beginning.

Example:

0 We went to a really **interesting** little restaurant the other night.

INTEREST

0	Interesting
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51. I get really..... with people who let their dogs jump all over me. **ANNOY**

52. is important in a relationship. I can't stand people who tell lies. **HONEST**

53. It's a fairly big company, with about 260..... **EMPLOY**

54. I don't like living alone. It's too lonely and..... **DEPRESS**

55. I felt really..... when you told Jim what I'd said about him. **EMBARRASS**

56. We're launching our new..... next month. It's going to be a huge success! **PRODUCE**

57. If you..... again and get to work late, you'll be fired. **SLEEP**

58. When my father lost his job, it was a..... time for the family. **STRESS**

59. Listen carefully while I explain. I don't want you to..... me. **UNDERSTAND**

60. There's a problem with..... behavior, such as vandalism, around here. **SOCIAL**

PART 7 (15 min)**Questions 61–70**

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given you must use between two and five words, including the word given.

Example:

0 We were late because we got lost.

IF

We wouldn't have been late **if we hadn't gotten** lost.

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if we hadn't gotten

61. This tie doesn't match this t-shirt.

GO

This tie doesn't this t-shirt.

62. I can't find a job that I enjoy and I'd really like to.

FIND

I wish a job that I enjoy!

63. I bought this special cloth to clean my computer screen.

FOR

I bought the special cloth my computer screen .

64. Despite playing badly, they won the game.

EVEN

..... played badly, they won the game.

65. I made that mistake and that's why I'm in this position.

NOT

If only I..... I wouldn't be in this position.

66. Do you usually review your notes after class?

OVER

Do you usually notes after class?

67. I'm very unhappy that I have to get up early every morning.

DID

I wish..... get up early every morning!

68. It doesn't matter what I do; she always criticizes me

WHATEVER

..... , she always criticizes me.

69. If you want to take a day off, fill out this form and give it to the boss.

ORDER

..... a day off, fill out this form and give it to the boss.

70. He was sick but he went to work

DESPITE

..... sick he went to work

PART 8 (10 min)**LISTENING 1****Questions 71-75**

AEF4 T14 Listen to a radio interview in which a dictionary researcher talks about the expression "the real McCoy." Choose the correct answer.

71. What kind of book has Kathy written?

- A a dictionary
- B a non-fiction book
- C a novel

74. Who referred to himself as "the real McCoy"?

- A Elijah McCoy
- B Bill McCoy
- C Kid McCoy

72. What caused Kathy to write the book?

- A a conversation with friends
- B her research work
- C a moment in the bath

75. Where does Kathy believe the expression "the real McCoy" probably originated?

- A Scotland
- B Australia
- C the United States

73. Who was Elijah McCoy?

- A an alcohol smuggler
- B an inventor
- C a boxer

LISTENING 2**Questions 76-80**

AEF4 T15 Listen to a man talking about his regrets. Choose the correct answer.

76. Chris wishes _____.

- A he'd had a brother or sister
- B his family had had more money
- C he'd been a happier child

77. Chris wishes _____.

- A he hadn't gone to college at all
- B he had traveled before going to college
- C he had earned some money before going to college

78. When Chris thinks about his first semester of college, he wishes _____.

- A he'd had a better room
- B he'd had more freedom
- C he'd known how to make friends

79. Chris _____.

- A wishes he had studied medicine
- B doesn't regret his choice of career
- C had always wanted to be a biologist

80. Nowadays, Chris is _____.

- A more sociable
- B better at making decisions
- C less worried about who he is

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