

GE7 SAMPLE TEST

A - LISTENING

Questions 1-5 (5pts). Listen to different conversations and choose the correct answer A, B, or C. You will hear the recording twice.

1. You will hear a girl talking about her illness.

The girl advises the boy to

- A. keep away from other kids.
- B. go to the hospital.
- C. keep his hands clean.

2. You will hear two friends discussing a band.

They agree that the band

- A. has better songs now than in the past.
- B. charges little money.
- C. offers something important.

3. You hear a boy telling his friend about a movie he saw.

How did he feel after watching it?

- A. angry
- B. positive
- C. negative

4. You hear two friends talking about a new teacher.

The girl thinks that the Maths teacher is

- A. exciting.
- B. boring.
- C. strict.

5. You will hear two friends talking about language learning.

How does the girl feel about language learning?

- A. It's interesting.
- B. It's unnecessary.
- C. It's good for older people.

6. You hear two friends talking about their plans.

They agree that they should

- A. go on a tour later.
- B. spend all day on the beach.
- C. go and eat something in the morning.

Questions 6-10 (5 pts). For each question, write the correct answer in the gap. Write one or two words or a number or a date or a time.

You will hear an announcement at a fitness centre.

Fitness Week

Anyone who would like to become healthier and learn new things should (14) for this course.

All new members must have with them trainers, a tracksuit, shorts and T-shirts as well as a(n) (15).....

After answering some questions, specific targets will be set according to the members' (16)

Every morning a(n) (17).....will keep an eye on new members exercising.

At the end of the week, members will be told (18)..... so as not to gain back the weight they've lost.

For the next 48 hours, there's a sale on: you can pay £ (19)..... for 7 days.

B - READING & USE OF ENGLISH

Questions 11-15 (5pts). For each question, choose the correct answer.

Paul Harris talks about how he studied by distance learning before going to university

I didn't follow the normal route to university. Most of my teenage friends stayed on at school, passed their exams, chose their favourite university and continued their education. I couldn't wait to get to work and left without any qualifications, feeling that having a salary was more important. I spent a few years doing different jobs but always wondered what might have happened if I had followed my friends' example.

It was ten years later, in my late twenties, and after I discovered a love of history, that I finally decided I wanted to go to university. I thought about giving up my job and spending a year at college getting the exams I needed for university, but I couldn't afford to do this. So I decided to study on a distance-learning course and keep my job. This was long before the internet and online learning. My course consisted of a parcel brought by the postman with all the books I needed for the year, a study plan and the contact details of my tutors. No telephone number, just an address of a business where I had to post my work.

I would spend a week or two studying the next unit, write an essay and post it to the tutor. I would then wait, usually for at least two weeks, for the tutor's reply. It was always a very exciting moment when the postman arrived and I opened the envelope to see how well I had done. My tutor's comments were always very helpful, though I often wished I could phone him for the chance to discuss some of the things he had written.

I passed the exams and did indeed go to university. And the distance-learning course taught me the importance of hard work and the need to focus. It wasn't easy studying like this without the technology available today. I wasn't able to ask the questions I had and get the quick response that communication tools now make possible. But I also think it was much easier to concentrate then. There was no mobile phone to turn to every five minutes or social media to follow. I'm glad I did it my way.

11 How did Paul feel about going to university when he left school?

- A He wanted to be like his friends.
- B He didn't think he could get the qualifications he needed.
- C He wanted to earn money.
- D He regretted not going.

12 Paul chose a distance-learning course

- A because he loved his job.
- B so he could continue working.
- C because he couldn't find a history course at college.
- D because it was too late to go to college.

13 What does Paul say about the course?

- A He would have liked more contact with his tutor.
- B He didn't understand his tutor's comments.
- C His tutor's handwriting was difficult to read.
- D The post service was very poor.

14 Paul thinks that

- A he would have done even better if the internet had existed.
- B it was difficult to focus during his studies.
- C online learning is more effective.
- D the internet can make studying difficult.

15 What would be a good introduction to this article?

- A Paul Harris warns against choosing distance learning after his negative experiences.
- B Forget college: distance learning is the best way to get that university place, says Paul Harris.
- C Paul Harris describes his experiences of studying at a distance without the use of modern technology.
- D Distance learning should be avoided if you are not serious about your goal, writes Paul Harris.

Questions 16-29 (10pts). Choose the best answer (A, B, C, or D) to complete the sentences.

16. Which of the following sentences is correct?

A. To swam every day is fun. B. Swimming every day is fun.
C. Swim every day is fun. D. Swam every day is fun.

17. What do you enjoy most?

A. To read books B. Read books. C. Reading books. D. Read books is fun.

18. He is keen _____ painting landscapes.

A. on B. for C. in D. at

19. Jogging is good for your health because it _____.

A. makes stronger B. make you stronger C. makes you stronger

20. Imagine you _____ in a forest full of tall trees.

A. are camping B. camp C. camping D. camps

21. Snakes tend to bite when they _____ threatened.

A. feel B. feeling C. feels D. are feeling

22. My mother _____ paragliding with her friends twice a month.

A. is going B. goes C. go D. is going to go

23. They _____ for a picnic at Grand Park next Saturday.

A. go B. are going C. are going to go D. will go

24. Look at the sky! It _____ any minute now.

A. rains B. is raining C. will rain D. is going to rain

25. Nobody _____ where Blake comes from.

A. knows B. knowing C. known D. know

26. Which of the following sentences is correct?

A. She'll go camping when it will be sunny. B. She'll go camping if it's sunny.
C. She goes camping if it will sunny. D. She'll go camping when it sunny.

27. This is _____ waterfall in the area.

A. the more beautiful B. the most beautiful
C. most beautiful D. the most beautifully

28. I'm pretty sure that John doesn't play soccer as _____ as I do.

A. well B. good C. better D. best

29. Excuse me, can you speak a bit _____, please?

A. quieter B. more quietly C. quiet D. the quietest

C – WRITING

Write a profile (about 80-100 words) of a successful person. Use the following information as a suggestion.

Name: Taylor Swift

Birth: December 13th, 1989, in West Reading, Pennsylvania, US

Occupations: singer, songwriter, record producer, actress

Debut date: 2005

Music genres: Pop, country, folk, rock

Awards: 12 Grammy Awards, 30 MTV Video Music Awards, 40 American Music Awards, 49 Billboard Music Awards, and numerous other achievements

Famous quote: "Life is like walking, you take one step at a time."