GE6 SAMPLE TEST

A - LISTENING

Questions 1-5 (5pts). Listen to different conversations and choose the correct answer A, B, or C. You will hear a radio interview with an athlete called George.

1. When did George first get interested in athletics?

A. at university
B. at secondary school
C. at primary school

2. What does George find difficult?

A. training
B. travelling
C. Being away from his family

3. Who has helped George most with his athletics career?

A. his father
B. his coach
C. his friends

4. What does George really enjoy?

A. being on TV
B. meeting new people
C. giving interviews

5. How did George feel when he won his first gold medal?

A. excited
B. tired
C. surprised

6. What does George think he will do in the next few years?

A. work for TV
B. teach
C. retire and look after his children

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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.

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PART 2: READING (5pts)

Questions 6-10

Read the texts about shopping and the questions below.

For each question, choose the correct answer.

Shopping last weekend

Taren

I went shopping with my dad last weekend. I looked at some model boats. They were nice, but I didn't buy any. I want to keep my pocket money and then get something really special. I always feel very satisfied when I do that. I saw some chocolate in the market, but I didn't buy it. I didn't want to pay for something I didn't need. We have lots of chocolate at home!

Kei

I went shopping with my sister last weekend. I saw a really awesome green T-shirt, but it was too expensive for me, so I got a cheaper one. It's red and it's also quite cool. Then I didn't have any money left! I'll get some more pocket money soon and I'll give some to an organisation that helps the environment. I'll also get a birthday present for my aunt.

Jo

I went shopping with my cousins last weekend. I often get money for my birthday, but I don't need pocket money because my parents buy me things if I need them. I bought a computer game. It was quite expensive, but it's really good. We saw some people from an organisation helping children in our town and I gave them some money. I didn't buy any sweets, but I will next week!

6. Who couldn't afford something?

A. Taren B. Kei C. Jo

7. Who likes saving money?

A. Taren B. Kei C. Jo

8. Who doesn't get pocket money?

A. Taren B. Kei C. Jo

9. Who spent all their money?

A. Taren B. Kei C. Jo

10. Who thought something was a waste of money?

A. Taren B. Kei C. Jo

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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.

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PART 3: USE OF ENGLISH (10 pts)

Questions 11-25: Choose the best answer (A, B or C) to answer the question.

11. I _____ in a cafe when you _____.

A. was sitting/ called B. sat/ called C. was sitting/ were calling

12. “I’m seeing my brother tomorrow.” Teresa said she _____ her brother the day after.

A. is seeing B. was seeing C. saw

13. Joe has to work really hard _____ Geography to get a high score in the mid-term test.

A. in B. at C. for

14. Mom, you’ve done more than enough for us. We’ll deal with this _____, without your help.

A. yourself B. ourselves C. ourself D. myself

15. Marina completed her project _____ than Ben.

A. carefully B. more carefully C. more careful

16. Change to Reported speech: “I don't speak Italian," she said. → She said _____

A. she doesn’t speak Italian

B. she didn’t spoke Italian

C. she didn’t speak Italian

17. She is really keen on doing __. Last year, she worked at the local shelter during her summer holiday.

A. work voluntary B. voluntary work C. working voluntary D. work experience

18. Space _____ has helped us discover new things about the universe and our planet.

A. exploration B. gravity C. experiments D. acrobats

19. His parents were proud _____ him because he got the gold medal.

A. about B. with C. of D. by

20. My cousin John is crazy _____ football. You can ask him anything about the sport.

A. about B. with C. of D. by

21. Susie _____ a film when she _____ the noise.

A. watched/ heard B. watched/ hear C. was watching/ heard

22. Susie _____ a film when she _____ the noise.

A. watched/ heard B. watched/ hear C. was watching/ heard

23. We have to buy more burgers as there are _____ of people joining our party.

A. several B. plenty C. both

24. There are _____ steak_____ burgers at the school fair- All of the foods are vegetarian.

A. neither…or B. either…or C. neither…of D. both…and

25. You can park your car on _____ side of the street.

A. both B. neither C. either D. some

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PART 4: WRITING (20 pts)

Imagine that you are looking for a Computer Programmer for your computer company. Write an advertisement to find a good programmer (50-60 words). Use the following information as a suggestion.

- **What the worker needs to know:** computer skills, programming experience, English communication
- **What the worker will do:** help develop software, find and fix software problem
- **Why this is a good job:** friendly working environment, good salary, flexible work schedule

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