

LISTENING

Multiple-choice (listening for specific information)

EXAM STRATEGY

Remember that all the items shown in the pictures may be mentioned in the recording, but only one of them is the correct answer.

- 1 1.15 Listen to two friends talking about money and answer the question. Why are the other options incorrect?

1 What is Ben most likely to spend his money on?



- 2 **EXAM TASK** 1.16 Listen to the speakers. For questions (1-6) choose the correct answer (A, B or C). You will listen to each recording twice.

1 What does Lola spend her money on?



2 How did someone try to use the speaker's card?



3 Which item did Jack's mother take back to the shop?



4 When does the speaker use her credit card?

- A all the time
B in difficult situations
C when she doesn't have cash

5 What does the speaker recommend doing?

- A opening a special current account
B putting money in different banks
C setting money aside each month for different things

6 What will the UK curriculum changes result in?

- A better maths results at secondary school
B the opportunity to study finance at a younger age
C more school leavers becoming bankers

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EXAM STRATEGY

Read the whole article to get a general sense of the context before you start choosing your answers.

- 3 Read the article in exercise 4, ignoring the gaps. What does Alex's business do?

- 4 **EXAM TASK** Read the text below. For questions (1-10) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D).

A YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR

Twenty-one-year-old Alex Tew of Great Britain needed money to be able to go to university, but he didn't know how to get it. However, he was ¹ he would succeed. He sat down one day with a notepad and wrote on a page: 'How can I ² a lot of money?' In two and a half weeks he had raised a(n) ³ amount. He had more than enough for his ⁴, with quite a bit of cash to spare. How did he manage this? As a freelance web designer, Alex was keenly ⁵ of the power of the Internet. He also possessed the skills to use it ⁶. Alex came up with an idea that was both easily understood and cheap to ⁷. He also chose a name that would ⁸ people's attention: *The Million Dollar Homepage*. He started selling advertising space on the Internet, but with a difference. Adverts on the Internet are ⁹ either banner adverts, text links or video ads. ¹⁰ Alex did was to divide his homepage into squares of 100 pixels and sell them at a price of one dollar per pixel. And as a result, he made more than £500,000 in just four months.



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| 1 A established | B decided | C determined | D settled |
| 2 A make | B create | C produce | D form |
| 3 A principal | B essential | C significant | D important |
| 4 A demands | B wishes | C needs | D wants |
| 5 A familiar | B aware | C sensitive | D informed |
| 6 A deliberately | B fortunately | C obediently | D effectively |
| 7 A set up | B set out | C set off | D set down |
| 8 A grab | B carry | C pull | D take |
| 9 A regularly | B naturally | C averagely | D normally |
| 10 A Why | B Where | C What | D How |

READING

Matching (general)

5 Read the job adverts (1–5). Answer the questions.

- Which job offers the highest salary?
- Which position doesn't require professional experience?

6 **EXAM TASK** Read the texts. Match choices (A–H) to (1–5). There are three choices you do not need to use.

Which job advert describes ... ?

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| A a publishing house | E a charity |
| B a school | F a museum |
| C a fashion house | G a theatre |
| D a gym | H a computer store |

1 **Position:** Help-desk Advisor
Contract: Full-time
Salary: £18,000–£20,000 + benefits and bonus

We require a friendly and committed individual who has previous experience of working with a non-profit-making organization. Your responsibilities will include dealing with fundraisers and donors on the phone and by email.

Hours: Monday to Friday 8 a.m.–2 p.m. or 2 p.m.–8 p.m., plus two weekends every month.

2 **Position:** Assistant Director
Contract: Permanent/Full-time
Salary: £25,000–£28,000 p.a. (depending on experience)

We are an independent institution that organizes an exciting programme of historical events, exhibitions and educational activities. The new Assistant Director will manage the existing collections. The ideal candidate must be reliable, dedicated and have:

- a history or archaeology degree or equivalent,
- minimum five years' experience in management,
- excellent communication and interpersonal skills.

3 **Position:** Secretary
Contract: Full-time (Temporary cover for maternity leave)
Salary: £16,000–£18,000 depending on experience

We are looking for a professional, experienced person with a passion for stylish clothes to support our team of designers. You will be required to support other members of the team with their hotel and travel arrangements and expenses, as well as carrying out other administrative duties.

4 **Position:** Shop Assistant/Gaming Expert
Hours: Part-time
Salary: £7.50–£10.00 per hour

We require a shop assistant who loves technology and who has personal experience of the gaming industry. Retail experience is not required: the successful candidate will attend our in-house training programme before starting the job.

5 **Position:** Learning support professional
Contract: Full-time
Salary: £22,500 - £25,500 + Benefits

We are looking to recruit talented individuals who want to be a part of transforming education in London and helping create excellence in learning. You must be:

- educated to degree level,
- have two years' experience of working in an educational establishment.

WRITING

Letter of application

7 **EXAM TASK** You have seen the following job advert and have decided to apply. Write a letter in which you:

- ▶ say what job you're applying for and why you would like to do it,
- ▶ explain why you are a good candidate,
- ▶ describe your previous work experience.

Write a letter of at least 100 words. Do not write your own name, any dates, addresses or other personal information. Start your letter in an appropriate way.

Wanted: people with the right attitude!

Our town is growing in popularity with foreign tourists. We need guides to show them round. Guides need to:

- ✓ have a friendly manner
- ✓ speak good English
- ✓ know about our city – facilities, history, etc.

If you fit this description, send us a letter of application, addressed to the Officer for Tourism.