

Раздел 1. Аудирование

A8–
A14

Вы услышите интервью. В заданиях A8–A14 обведите цифру 1, 2 или 3, соответствующую выбранному вами варианту ответа.

A8

Sophie can go on foot

- 1) to do her supermarket shopping.
- 2) if she wants to buy a loaf of bread.
- 3) to choose a new CD or DVD.

A9

When Sophie goes to the supermarket, she

- 1) tries to buy enough food for a month.
- 2) buys all the things she can't get at the local shops.
- 3) tries to buy items that are cheaper.

A10

Since last year, Sophie has had to use the car more

- 1) to help her elderly neighbours.
- 2) to get to the nearest town.
- 3) to drive to the post office.

A11

Sophie's opinion of shopping is that

- 1) it takes her away from her work.
- 2) it gives her ideas for her writing.
- 3) it is a good opportunity to meet her friends.

A12

Sophie didn't want to go to Gina's clothes shop because

- 1) she usually finds something she likes at the department store.
- 2) Gina might not have clothes in her size.
- 3) Gina's shop is more expensive than the department store.

A13

The shoes that Sophie bought

- 1) were smaller than she normally wears.
- 2) got more comfortable after she had worn them.
- 3) were really nice and sensible.

A14

Sophie generally feels that she

- 1) needs to be less careless with her money.
- 2) could use her credit card more.
- 3) tries hard not to spend too much.

Раздел 2. Чтение

A15–
A21

Прочитайте текст и выполните задания A15–A21. В каждом задании обведите цифру 1, 2, 3 или 4, соответствующую выбранному вами варианту ответа.

French Adventures

One story that is often told in our family is when my parents, as a young couple, went on holiday to France. They didn't have much spare money, so they decided to travel down through France by car, staying with friends or in cheap bed and breakfasts and basically, just going where the desire took them. They were aiming to get down to the Mediterranean coast if they could, but they wanted to take it slowly and enjoy the French countryside.

The first thing that caused them some problems was that, when they made the arrangements for the holiday, they must have missed the news about some elections in France. Therefore, as they drove through small towns and villages, they found the left-wing party shouting in one town square, and the right-wing party having a concert in another village. This meant that their progress was slower than they had expected, plus all the places to stay were full up! Also, wherever they stopped to have a meal, there would be French men talking or arguing loudly about the election, and they couldn't understand a word of what they were saying!

The one good thing about all that was that they were invited to lunch after the elections were over by a friend who had party contacts. My parents knew that French meals had lots of different dishes and went on for a long time, but this one lasted eight hours! Plates of salad, fish, meat and chicken were followed by warm apple tarts and fresh cream. I think my parents must have eaten enough for a week!

Anyway, after all that excitement, they continued their journey down through France. My mother was very fond of French cheese, but unfortunately, French cheese tends to smell if it is not kept in the fridge. One day, my mother had the bright idea that, in order to spend less on lunch, they could buy bread and cheese in the morning before they set off and then stop somewhere for a picnic. However, the weather that day was extremely hot and as they were driving along, the smell in the car got worse and worse. It was the cheese! Poor Mum had to stop the car in a village and throw the cheese into the nearest bin! It was so smelly they couldn't eat it!

That little adventure led to another exciting twist in their French trip. After throwing their lunch away, and feeling hungry and thirsty, they stopped for a bite to eat at the next café. Sitting in the café was a group of English students who were on their way to some vineyards to pick grapes as a holiday job. My parents started talking to them and, since they didn't have very much money left, they thought they might join them for a week. By then, they'd given up the idea of ever reaching the Med, anyway, since my dad had to get back to his job.

Of course, they hadn't realised how hard they would have to work to earn a bit of pocket money: eight hours a day for seven days a week out in the hot September sun (it was a warm autumn that year). Well, they earned enough in seven days to get them back to England, but I don't think they ever wanted to do that again! When they got back home, they were exhausted, sunburnt and their backs were hurting them. But at least they didn't have to borrow any money from anyone to get back home. They earned it themselves, the hard way!

The funny thing is that the 'French story', as we call it, is still carrying on today in a slightly different form. My parents stayed in touch with the friends they'd made on that holiday. They and their friends had children, and now we children are all pen friends and we exchange emails quite often. My best friend in France is Marie-Claude, and I've already stayed with her twice. Perhaps one day I'll be writing about my French adventures but until then, I think I'll keep them to myself!

► Units 9–10

- A15** When the narrator's parents went to France, they
- 1) wanted a luxury holiday.
 - 2) didn't want to spend too much money.
 - 3) had planned it all very carefully.
 - 4) wanted to travel as far as they could every day.
- A16** The French people in the towns and villages
- 1) shouted at the visitors.
 - 2) had closed all the hotels and restaurants.
 - 3) were not interested in the election.
 - 4) were discussing politics.
- A17** The surprising thing about the lunch was that
- 1) it happened after the elections had finished.
 - 2) the narrator's parents were invited.
 - 3) there were a lot of different courses.
 - 4) it was even longer than usual.
- A18** The narrator's mother decided to have a picnic because
- 1) she wanted to sit by the river.
 - 2) it would save some money.
 - 3) she loved French cheese.
 - 4) it would save time.
- A19** The narrator's parents took the job because
- 1) they had to earn money to get back to England.
 - 2) they wanted a suntan.
 - 3) they had to earn money to get to the Med.
 - 4) they enjoyed the students' company.
- A20** From the article, we understand that the narrator's parents
- 1) wished someone could lend them some money.
 - 2) can't have had a lot of money in those days.
 - 3) would have travelled further if they'd had more money.
 - 4) couldn't have been very happy in France.
- A21** At the present time, the narrator
- 1) wants to go back to France with her parents.
 - 2) is staying with her French pen friend.
 - 3) has been to France a couple of times.
 - 4) often writes about her times in France.

Раздел 3. Грамматика и лексика

A22–
A28

Прочитайте текст с пропусками, обозначенными номерами A22–A28. Эти номера соответствуют заданиям A22–A28, в которых представлены возможные варианты ответов. Обведите номер выбранного вами варианта ответа.

Monaco

Monaco is the second smallest independent state, after Vatican City in Rome. It is on the Mediterranean Sea with France on its other three sides. The **A22** _____ city is Monaco, which is high up on a rocky hillside.

About half the **A23** _____ of Monaco is French.

French, English, Italian and the local dialect, Monégasque, are spoken there, with French as the **A24** _____ language.

Monaco, despite its small size, is a constitutional **A25** _____ and is a full member of the United Nations.

The king (or queen) runs the country with the help of a senior minister. The flag of Monaco is red and white, and they also have their own **A26** _____ anthem.

Monaco is particularly **A27** _____ for the Monte Carlo Rally and the Monaco Grand Prix, and many tourists come to Monaco every year.

The **A28** _____ of Monaco is now the Euro, although Monaco is not a member of the European Union.

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| A22 | 1) prime | 2) capital | 3) national | 4) senior |
| A23 | 1) population | 2) members | 3) republic | 4) people |
| A24 | 1) foreign | 2) natural | 3) aristocratic | 4) official |
| A25 | 1) election | 2) democracy | 3) party | 4) monarchy |
| A26 | 1) capital | 2) national | 3) official | 4) foreign |
| A27 | 1) dangerous | 2) enjoyable | 3) famous | 4) helpful |
| A28 | 1) money | 2) cash | 3) cashier | 4) currency |