

Listening Part 1

You will hear people talking in eight different situations.

For questions **1-8**, choose the best answer **A**, **B** or **C**.

1 You hear two friends talking about attending a motor-racing event.

They agree that the best thing about it was

- A** the race.
- B** the facilities.
- C** the atmosphere.

2 You hear a football coach talking about a match.

He thinks that the team lost because

- A** they lacked concentration.
- B** they hadn't practised enough.
- C** they weren't very fit.

3 You hear two people talking about a computer game.

Why does the boy dislike it?

- A** It's boring.
- B** It's expensive.
- C** It's complicated.

4 You hear a woman talking about judging a poetry competition.

What surprised her?

- A** how nature was seen in the poems
- B** how many poems some people wrote

C how humorous the poems were

5 You hear a young man talking about travelling alone for the first time.
How did his parents react to the idea?
A They were helpful.
B They were worried.
C They were angry.

6 You hear part of a talk by a nurse.
What is she doing?
A giving instructions to a new colleague
B explaining how patients should be treated
C outlining the good and bad points of the job

7 You hear a man talking about a long-distance journey he made.
How did he travel?
A by bus
B by motorbike
C by car

8 You hear two friends talking about listening to the radio.
What did the girl like about the programme she mentions?
A It was amusing.
B She learned something.
C The presenter was good.

Listening Part 2

You will hear a singer called Tim Tanner, who sings with his twin brother Sam Tanner, talking about their lives and career.

For questions **9-18**, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

Singing twins: Tim and Sam Tanner

The name of the talent competition which the twins won is **(9)**

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Tim is exactly **(10)** older than Sam.

The twins were born in the month of **(11)**

The main physical difference between Tim and Sam is their **(12)**

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Tim has a less **(13)** personality than Sam.

At school, both Tim and Sam were good at **(14)**

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Sam started taking **(15)** lessons when he was thirteen.

The fact that the twins share the same **(16)** sometimes leads to arguments.

Tim says a key part of the twins' image is the **(17)** they wear.

The title of the twins' next album is **(18)**

Listening Part 3

You will hear five short extracts in which people are talking about classical music.

For questions **19-23**, choose from the list (**A-H**) the reason each person gives for starting to play classical music.

Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

- A** following a family tradition
- B** being introduced to a range of good music
- C** the experience of attending a concert
- D** the encouragement of a teacher
- E** hearing it in an everyday situation
- F** realising the importance of starting young
- G** the influence of someone famous
- H** finding other types of music unexciting

19 Speaker 1

20 Speaker 2

21 Speaker 3

22 Speaker 4

23 Speaker 5

Listening Part 4

You will hear an interview with a professional athlete called Ann Brown.

For questions **24-30**, choose the best answer (**A**, **B** or **C**).

24 What does Ann say about her performance in the world championships?

- A** She was disappointed not to win.
- B** She wishes she'd been more prepared.
- C** She did better than she'd been expecting to.

25 How does Ann feel about the place where she trains?

- A** She finds it quite boring.
- B** She enjoys looking at the scenery.
- C** She pays little attention to where she is.

26 What does Ann think of the idea of taking a 'day off' from training?

- A** She thinks all athletes need one sometimes.
- B** She would like to have more of them.
- C** She doesn't find them necessary.

27 What is Ann's attitude towards the other competitors in races?

- A** She avoids close social contact with them.
- B** She's made a few good friends amongst them.
- C** She finds it easy to talk to them when she has to.

28 In her free time, Ann enjoys

- A** kite flying.
- B** skiing.

C reading.

29 How does Ann feel about being recognised in public?

- A** She's relaxed about it.
- B** She finds the attention exciting.
- C** She dislikes signing autographs.

30 When thinking about the future, Ann.

- A** plans around five years in advance.
- B** admits to worrying about getting injured.
- C** remains focused on winning important races.