

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 a shop assistant talking about buying bicycles.

What advice does he give?

- A** Think about what kind of cycling you do.
- B** Get the best bicycle you can afford.
- C** Choose a bike with lots of gears.

- 2** You hear two friends talking about skiing holidays.

What did the woman do differently on her last skiing holiday?

- A** She booked her holiday a long time in advance.
- B** She chose an alternative style of accommodation.
- C** She made her own arrangements regarding a hotel.

- 3** You hear a woman leaving a voicemail message for a friend about a job interview.

Why is the woman pleased?

- A** She has been offered the job.
- B** She was less nervous than she expected.
- C** She felt she gave the right answers.

- 4** You hear two people on holiday in Morocco talking about a camel ride they've just done.

What surprised the man about the experience?

- A** the beauty of the scenery

- B** the helpfulness of the guide
- C** the nature of the animals.
- 5** You hear an IT expert talking about passwords.
- She suggests that
- A** changing passwords regularly is advisable.
- B** there is an acceptable way to write a password down.
- C** people should avoid having the same password for different things.
- 6** You hear a guide on a tourist bus being asked about a tall building.
- What does she say about the building?
- A** It offers the best views of the city.
- B** It's worth visiting at different times of the day.
- C** It's a popular meeting place for local residents.
- 7** You hear a local radio announcer giving a traffic report.
- There are problems on the motorway because
- A** emergency services are working in the road.
- B** a broken-down lorry is blocking the road.
- C** current weather conditions are slowing traffic.
- 8** You hear a diving instructor talking to a woman who is learning to dive.
- According to the instructor, how is the woman's diving improving?
- A** She is handling the equipment well.
- B** She is learning to adjust her speed.
- C** She is controlling her nerves before a dive.

Listening Part 2

You will hear an art student called Ella giving a talk about the history of mirrors.

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

Mirrors

Ella started her project by studying ancient mirrors made of (9)

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Ella says the Egyptian mirrors she saw had (10) on them.

Ella was told that all the images on the ancient mirrors were related to the theme of (11)

Ella says most early mirrors weren't very large because of the (12) of the material.

Ella read about a (13) that contained a very big mirror.

Ella uses the word (14) to describe the shape of early glass mirrors.

The main problem with glass mirrors was the quality of the (15) in glass production.

During the Renaissance period, mirrors helped to start the (16) style of art.

In the 1700s mirrors became a feature used in (17) design.

Mirrors today are based on a technique that someone who worked as a (18) invented in Germany in the 1800s.

Listening Part 3

You will hear five short extracts in which people are talking about restaurants they've been to.

For questions **19-23**, choose from the list (**A-H**) why each speaker recommends the restaurant.

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

- A** The menu changes frequently.
- B** There is a lively atmosphere.
- C** The chef is starting to become well-known.
- D** It is located in a beautiful building.
- E** The standard of service is very good.
- F** It is possible to watch the chefs as they cook.
- G** Local dishes are served.
- H** The food is good value for money.

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 writer called Eddy Carlton, who is talking about his experience of growing oranges in Spain.

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

24 Why did Eddy decide to buy the fruit farm in Spain?

- A** He needed to find a way to increase his income.
- B** He had wanted to live on a farm for several years.
- C** He happened to find it for sale during a research trip.

25 What did Eddy discover when he first moved into the farm?

- A** The trees weren't in a healthy condition.
- B** The water supply to his farm wasn't adequate.
- C** The weather wasn't as good as he had expected.

26 What does Eddy say about the local people he met?

- A** They provided practical help on the farm.
- B** They advised him to change his working hours.
- C** They were happy to share their knowledge of fruit growing.

27 What does Eddy say about his writing career since he moved to Spain?

- A** He has found it easier to do his writing than before.
- B** The location has been the setting for many of his books.
- C** Writing has become less important to him than growing oranges.

28 What aspect of growing oranges does Eddy think could affect him?

- A** It's expensive to pick the oranges by hand.

B People are starting to buy other types of fruit.

C Fewer young people want to work on the land.

29 What has Eddy recently discovered about the area he lives in?

A It used to be famous for a different type of industry.

B It contains many ancient ruins that are rarely visited.

C It has been a popular holiday destination for centuries.

30 What does Eddy hope to do in the future?

A increase the size of his farm

B persuade his children to take over the farm

C convert some farm buildings into holiday accommodation