LISTENING (approximately 40 minutes)

Part 1

You will hear people talking in eight different situations.

For questions **1–8**, choose the best answer (**A**, **B** or **C**).

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1 You hear a young woman who is an apprentice cook talking about her apprenticeship.

How does she feel about it?

A grateful to be working in a four-star restaurant

B pleased that her teacher told her about the opportunity

C confident about fulfilling her ambitions

2 You hear two students talking about passing the time on bus journeys.

What technique for passing the time do they both sometimes use?

A listening to music

B observing the world outside

C concentrating on what's happening inside

3 You hear a cycle coach telling his group about the ride they are going to do.

What instruction does the coach give?

A Don't go too fast on the return route.

B Stick together on the main road.

C Don't take the first sign to the destination.

4 You hear part of an interview in which a writer talks about autobiographies.

What does the writer say about them?

A He prefers working on books about people he knows.

B He is unlikely to write one himself.

C He thinks the more popular ones are very boring.

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5 You hear a journalist telling a colleague about her time at university.

How did she first get interested in journalism?

A by doing research online

B by accepting a chance request

C by reading a particularly interesting article

6 You hear a man and a woman talking about a new clothes shop they have visited.

What does the man say about having a member of staff to welcome customers?

A It seems like a worthwhile idea.

B Other people might appreciate it.

C Worse things happen in other shops.

7 You overhear a woman talking on the phone to a friend.

What is the woman talking about?

A an idea for a small short-term business

B the various career options open to her

C her role in a forthcoming expedition

8 You hear part of a broadcast on the radio.

What type of broadcast is it?

A a programme advertisement

B a wildlife documentary

C a news summary

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Part 2

You will hear a woman called Paula Kanning, who works as a film advisor in local government, talking about her work. For questions **9–18**, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

Film Advisor

Paula's job title when she started working in the film department was **(9)** ..... .

Paula was first attracted to the job by the **(10)** ..... on offer.

The most popular place for filmmakers in Paula's area is a **(11)** ..... .

Paula mentions a well-known advertisement for **(12)** ..... that she proposed the site for.

Paula mentions that in her first year she sometimes needed to persuade

(13) ..... to agree to filming

Paula is particularly proud of the **(14)** ..... she built up during her first

year in the department

Paula's current job involves managing a project with the name **(15)** ..... .

Paula finds creating **(16)** ..... for tourists the most difficult part of her current job.

Paula believes it is necessary to protect the **(17)** ..... of local residents

as well as their property

Paula's department has recently set up what she calls a **(18)** ..... scheme for students.

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Part 3

You will hear five short extracts in which people talk about why they did not go to university directly after leaving school. For questions **19–23**, choose which of the reasons (**A–H**) each speaker gives. Use the letters only once. There are three extra letters which you do not need to use.

A a wish to see new places

B a misunderstanding about applying

C a desire to have a break from studying

D a wish to stay near to home

E a decision to prioritise family commitments

F a desire to start a career immediately

G a feeling of not being mature enough

H an inability to find a suitable course

Speaker 1		19
Speaker 2		20
Speaker 3		21
Speaker 4		22
Speaker 5		23

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Part 4

You will hear a radio interview with a woman called Susan Fletcher, who works on a research station in Antarctica. For questions **24–30**, choose the best answer (**A**, **B** or **C**).

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24 How does Susan feel before each trip to Antarctica?

A anxious because she'll miss people she cares about

B concerned about dealing with what lies ahead

C relieved to be leaving problems behind

25 Susan says that what's most stressful for her at the moment is

A not being able to predict everything you may need.

B not having enough time to prepare properly.

C not knowing exactly where she's going.

26 What does Susan admire about her colleagues?

A their scientific skills

B their lack of selfishness

C their success as researchers

27 Susan says the entertainment that's organised at the research station

A serves a useful purpose.

B allows people to show off their talents.

C disturbs people's regular schedules.

28 On the research station, Susan sometimes has difficulty

A getting enough time alone.

B eating the same food all the time.

C having a comfortable night's sleep.

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29 What does Susan say she loves about her work?

A the chance to observe such fascinating wildlife

B being able to live so far from populated areas

C the fact that such a unique place is so familiar to her

30 Susan advises students hoping to work in Antarctica to

A make sure they have skills that are not purely academic.

B develop a high level of competence in their particular subject.

C think carefully about whether they're well-suited to the lifestyle.

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