



**LISTENING****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).

1 You hear a woman talking to a supermarket manager.

What is she complaining about?

A soft pears and lemons

B rotten oranges and apples

C brown lemons and grapes

2 You hear a man cancelling a hotel booking.

The man has cancelled his booking because

A his wife has to go into hospital.

B his wife has to go away suddenly.

C his wife has been in an accident.

3 You are visiting an art exhibition.

What does your friend say about it?

A It's expensive.

B it's too modern

C it's meaningless.

4 You overhear two people talking.

What are they discussing?

A a car

B a bike

C a fridge

5 You hear a teacher talking to some students.

What is he telling them to do?

A write down some information

B look at a new film

C copy out some information

6 You hear a radio advertisement

What is being advertised?

A package tours

B home exchanges

C luxury holidays

7 You hear a man talking about why he decided to lose weight.

What is the reason he gives?

A He felt overweight

B His clothes were very tight.

C He couldn't stop eating.

8 You overhear two people talking about a woman on their staff.

What is the problem?

A She complains all the time.

B She gets upset very easily

C She's always late for work.

**PART 2**

You will hear a girl called Silvia talking about her love of writing. For questions 9- 18, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase

**A CAREER IN WRITING**

As a child, Silvia preferred to listen to stories about (9) \_\_\_\_\_ at bedtime.

When Silvia was a young girl, her parents expected her to study (10) \_\_\_\_\_ at college

At the age of twelve, Silvia wrote a (11) \_\_\_\_\_ for a competition.

Silvia found writing an article for a competition in a magazine difficult because of the (12) \_\_\_\_\_

Silvia spent her prize money for winning the Young Writer's Award on a (13) \_\_\_\_\_.

Silvia believes that having a good (14) \_\_\_\_\_ is the most important part of writing a novel.

The writer Silvia most admires comes from (15) \_\_\_\_\_.

In Silvia's opinion, writing a (16) \_\_\_\_\_ must be the most challenging sort of novel to write.

Eventually, Silvia would like to work as a (17) \_\_\_\_\_.

Silvia uses the word (18) \_\_\_\_\_ to describe what is most important in her life.



### PART 3

You will hear five different people apologising about something. For questions 19 - 23, choose from the list A - H the reason for each speaker's apology. Use the letters only once. There are three extra letters which you do not need to use.

A disturbing someone

B not leaving a message

C cancelling a theatre booking

D missing an appointment

E not paying a debt

F spending too much money

G arriving very late

H breaking something

Speaker 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Speaker 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Speaker 3 \_\_\_\_\_

Speaker 4 \_\_\_\_\_

Speaker 5 \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 4

You will hear a conversation which takes place in a café between three friends, Anna, Peter and Miriam, who used to be at school together. For questions 24 - 30, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

24 What does Peter say about Miriam joining them?

A He feels she may not turn up.

B He hopes she will ring them.

C He expects she will not arrive on time.

28 How does Miriam feel about her job?

A She dislikes travelling around.

B She has a positive attitude.

C She says each day is the same.

25 According to Anna, her Business Studies course is

A very interesting.

B quite challenging

C too repetitive.

29 How does Peter feel about Miriam's job?

A envious

B surprised

C undecided

26 What is Peter's opinion of his first job?

A He found it very varied.

B He found the training hard.

C He thought it was very dull.

30 What do Miriam and Anna agree about getting jobs?

A It is difficult to change direction.

B Parents are usually understanding.

C It is worth waiting and being patient.

27 What are Peter's plans for the future?

A He hopes to find a new job.

B He wants to work for his father.

C He will apply for a course.