PART 4

QUESTIONS 21–27

Read the article about the London police and answer the questions.
For questions 21–27, mark A, B or C on the answer sheet.

THE HISTORY OF THE LONDON POLICE



Today there are policemen everywhere, but in 1700 London had no policemen at all. A few old men used to protect the city streets at night and they were not paid very much.

About 300 years ago, London was starting to get bigger. The city was very dirty and many people were poor. There were so many thieves who stole money in the streets that people stayed in their homes as much as possible.

In 1750, Henry Fielding started to pay a group of people to stop thieves. They were like policemen and were called 'Bow Street Runners' because they worked near Bow Street.

Fifty years later, there were 120 Bow Street Runners, but London had become very big and needed more policemen. So, in 1829, the first Metropolitan (or London) Police Force was started with 3000 officers. Most of the men worked on foot, but a few rode horses. Until 1920 all the police in London were men.

Today, London police are quite well paid and for the few police officers who still ride horses, the pay is even better than for the others.

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EXAMPLE			ANSWER
0	In 1700, there were	**A** policemen everywhere. **B** policemen only in London. **C** no policemen in London.	C

21	In 1700, the men who protected the streets were paid	**A** a lot. **B** a little. **C** nothing.
22	300 years ago, many people	**A** came to live in London. **B** wanted to leave London. **C** had big houses in London.
23	People did not leave their houses because	**A** the city was not clean. **B** they had no money. **C** they were afraid.
24	The Bow Street Runners	**A** stole money. **B** stopped people stealing. **C** paid people to steal.
25	In 1800, there were	**A** enough policemen. **B** not enough policemen. **C** too many policemen.
26	Of the first 3000 Metropolitan policemen,	**A** all of them rode horses. **B** some of them rode horses. **C** most of them rode horses.
27	Today, police officers who work with horses are paid	**A** more than their colleagues. **B** the same as their colleagues. **C** half as much as their colleagues.

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