

TEST 1 - Part 4**Questions 21 - 25**

Read the text and questions below. For each question, mark the correct letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet.

NEW TV STAR**Caroline Benson talks about her first TV role**

'I never expected to spend some of my first year at university filming *The Finnegans*. I'd only ever acted at school, but I'd loved the book since I was eleven. My grandmother used to say I was just like Polly Finnegan and I always imagined myself playing her. I'd taken a year off to go travelling before university. While I was in Chile, my mother emailed me to say there were plans to turn the book into a TV drama. I knew I had to go for the part. She was surprised at first, but sent my photograph to the director and persuaded him to meet me. I flew back and got the part. The outdoor filming started a week into term, so I got permission from the university to be away for three weeks. Once I was back at university. I got up at 6.00 am to write the essays I'd missed. I didn't tell my university friends, but they found out and thought it was great. It was an amazing experience - I'm so lucky. After university, I definitely want to make acting my career. I'm not from an acting family, though my grandfather was an opera singer. I've tried for other TV parts but haven't received any offers yet. I don't know how I managed it all, because I had a full social life too. When filming finished, I hardly knew what to do. I've since appeared in two college plays. Unfortunately, I haven't been home much and now my first year at university is over, I'm off to Greece for the summer with friends.'

21. In this text, Caroline Benson is

- A. advising students to finish studying before taking up acting.
- B. describing how pleased she was about this opportunity to act.
- C. warning other young people that acting is a difficult career.
- D. explaining why she has always wanted to be an actor.

23. What does Caroline say about her mother?

- A. She encouraged Caroline to keep travelling.
- B. She felt Caroline would be a good actor.
- C. She was sorry she had emailed Caroline.
- D. She helped Caroline to get the part.

22. Why did Caroline decide to try for a part in the *Finnegans*?

- A. She thought the book would make a great TV drama.
- B. She agreed with her grandmother that she should apply.
- C. She felt she was perfect for the part of Polly.
- D. She was anxious about starting university.

24. How did Caroline manage to find time to do the filming?

- A. She missed lectures and hoped nobody would notice.

- B. She delayed going to university until filming was over.
- C. She took time off and did her college work later.
- D. She asked her friends to help with her essays.

25. Which of the following would Caroline write to a penfriend?

- A. I'm going to continue with my studies, but hope to have the opportunity to do another TV programme soon.
- B. Now I've finished both the filming and my first year at university, I plan to spend more time with my family
- C. I enjoyed filming the TV drama but I've missed having a social life - I don't know what to do at weekends.
- D. Acting is more difficult than I'd expected, but I've learned a lot from other members of my family who work in the business.

TEST 2 - PART 4

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Read the text and questions below. For each question, mark the letter next to the correct answer - A, B, C or D on your answer sheet.

Orbis is an organisation which helps blind people everywhere. It has built an eye hospital inside an aeroplane and flown it all over the world with an international medical team. Samantha Graham, a fourteen-year-old schoolgirl from England, went with the plane to Mongolia. Samantha tells the story of Eukhtuul, a young Mongolian girl. "Last year, when Eukhtuul was walking home from school, she was attacked by boys with sticks and her eyes were badly damaged. Dr Duffey, an Orbis doctor, said that without an operation she would never see again. I thought about all the everyday things I do that she couldn't, things like reading schoolbooks, watching television, seeing friends, and I realised how lucky I am." "The Orbis team agreed to operate on Eukhtuul and I was allowed to watch, together with some Mongolian medical students. I prayed the operation would be successful. The next day I waited nervously with Eukhtuul while Dr Duffey removed her bandages. "In six months your sight will be back to normal," he said. Eukhtuul smiled, her mother cried, and I had to wipe away some tears, too!" "Now Eukhtuul wants to study hard to become a doctor. Her whole future has changed, thanks to a simple operation. We should all think more about how much our sight means to us."

21. What is the writer's main purpose in writing this text?
- A. to describe a dangerous trip
 - B. to report a patient's cure
 - C. to explain how sight can be lost
 - D. to warn against playing with sticks
22. What can a reader learn about in this text?
- A. the life of schoolchildren in Mongolia
 - B. the difficulties for blind travellers
 - C. the international work of some eye doctors
 - D. the best way of studying medicine
23. After meeting Eukhtuul, Samantha felt
- A. grateful for her own sight.
 - B. proud of the doctor's skill.
 - C. surprised by Eukhtuul's courage.
 - D. angry about Eukhtuul's experience.
24. What is the result of Eukhtuul's operation?
- A. She can already see perfectly again.
 - B. After some time she will see as well as before.
 - C. She can see better but will never have normal eyes.
 - D. Before she recovers, she will need another operation.
25. Which is the postcard Samantha wrote to an English friend?
- A. I've visited a Mongolian hospital and watched local doctors do an operation.
 - B. You may have to fly a long way to have the operation you need, but the journey will be worth it.
 - C. I'm staying with my friend Eukhtuul, while I'm sightseeing in Mongolia.
 - D. Make sure you take care of your eyes because they're more valuable than you realise!

TEST 3 - PART 4

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- Read the text and questions below. For each question, mark the letter next to the correct answer - A, B, C or D on your answer sheet.

If you want to take the whole family on holiday, and keep everybody happy, then I have found just the place for you. I recently went with a group of friends to stay at the Greenwood Holiday Village, which is open from May until October. Built in the centre of a forest, Greenwood is a great place to stay whatever the weather. Its main attraction for families is the indoor World of Water, where young and old can have fun in the different pools. Some of these, however, are for serious swimmers only. For sporty people, the Country Club offers tennis, squash and badminton. If your children are too young to join in these sports, there are activity clubs. Greenwood is a good place for families as it is traffic-free-you explore on foot or by bike. Some people complained that this was inconvenient, but I was pleased to be

out in the fresh air. For evening entertainment, there are shows and cinemas. Accommodation is in a variety of apartments of different sizes. These have up to four bedrooms, a kitchen and a bathroom, as well as a dining area. Before going, I thought the apartments might not be big enough for all of us, but I was pleasantly surprised - it was not too crowded at all. I'll definitely go back to Greenwood next year. Why don't you give it a try? Visit their website for further information now!

21. What is the writer's main purpose in writing this text?

- A. to give her opinion of the holiday village
- B. to describe what her family did at the holiday Village
- C. to give advice to a friend going to the holiday village
- D. to complain about the holiday Village

23. What does the writer think about the holiday Vilago?

- A. The apartments there are not big enough
- B. is not convenient because you cannot use your car.
- C. It can only be enjoyed in good weather.
- D. There is something there for all ages.

22. From the text, the reader can find out

- A. the best way to get to the holiday village.
- B. the best time of year to visit the holiday Village.
- C. what activities are available at the holiday Village
- D. how to reserve accommodation at the holiday village.

24. What does the writer say about the apartments?

- A. There is not much space between them.
- B. Each one has its own bathroom.
- C. They all have four bedrooms
- D. Not all of them have dining areas.

25. Which postcard would somebody send from the holiday village?

(A)

Dear Jane,

The children love the beach and all the activities.

We've got a lovely 4-bedroom apartment.

Love,

Ann

(C)

Dear Jane,

My parents love the swimming pool, and the children love riding around the forest on their bicycles.

Love,

Ann

(B)

Dear Jane,

As it's April, the weather is good, but it doesn't matter as there's a lovely swimming pool.

Love,

Ann

(D)

Dear Jane,

We're a bit disappointed that we have to drive everywhere, but there's lots to see and do.

Love,

Ann

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To: The Manager of Mezzo Mash Restaurant

Dear Sir,

Last Tuesday evening I went with two friends to your restaurant for my 18th birthday. I'd booked the table for eight o'clock and we arrived about ten minutes late, but that was not a problem. The waiter, who was very polite, showed us to our table and we studied the menu. I ordered a fish pie and my friends ordered some salads. However, after about fifteen minutes, the waiter informed us that there was no more fish pie. He apologised and suggested ordering something else. I looked at the menu again and decided to have the same as my friends - a salad.

When the food came, it was very good. After we'd finished, we decided to order some desserts. The waiter said that, unfortunately, it was too late. There wasn't enough time for us to order desserts. He said he was very sorry but our table was reserved by another group at nine thirty and we would have to leave.

We paid the bill and left feeling very disappointed. It spoilt my birthday. Nobody told us when we arrived that there was a time limit. It was very unsatisfactory and I doubt that we'll go to your restaurant again.

Yours faithfully,

Martin Cary

21. What is Martin Cary trying to do in the letter?

- A. make an enquiry
- B. cancel a booking
- C. make a complaint
- D. offer a suggestion

22. What will the restaurant manager discover from the letter?

- A. One of his waiters behaved badly.
- B. Some customers had a bad experience.
- C. His food is unsatisfactory.
- D. He charges too much for the meals.

23. What does Martin think about their experience?

- A. They got to the restaurant too late.
- B. There was not much choice on the menu.
- C. They won't return to the restaurant.
- D. The food took too long to arrive.

24. Martin and his friends couldn't have any dessert because

- A. someone had booked their table.
- B. they had to be home by 9.30.
- C. it was too expensive.
- D. there was none left.

25. What did Martin's friends say as they left the restaurant?

(A)

I didn't like my salad. I wish I'd had fish pie like you.

(B)

Never mind, let's go and get some ice cream at Rick's.

(C)

I hope you didn't leave the waiter a tip- he was so unfriendly.

(D)

It's a pity there wasn't enough birthday cake.

