

PRACTICE TEST 4

Listening Section

Time: 50 Minutes

40 Questions

To work through the Listening section of the practice test, you need to use the second audio CD that is included in this book. Starting with Track 1 of the CD, you will hear people having brief conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear a question that you must answer based on your understanding of what the speaker(s) said. Each question is printed below, along with answer choices. Mark your answer choices as you go along. The CD track numbers that you need to listen to are indicated throughout the section.

After you have completed this practice test and checked your answers, turn to the appendix of this book. The conversations that you heard on the CD are transcribed there. If you had any difficulty understanding what a speaker was saying, listen to the CD again, this time reading what is being said at the same time you listen to it. Do not turn to the appendix until you have worked through this practice test at least once by just listening to the CD.

Part A

Directions: In this part, you will hear short conversations between two people. After the conversation, a question will be asked. Choose the answer that most accurately answers the question based on what is stated or implied by the speakers. Mark the answer in your book or on a separate piece of paper.

CD B, Track 1

1. What does the woman imply is the best course of treatment?
 - A. Discontinue all medicine.
 - B. Have a new blood test right away.
 - C. Have a blood test every two weeks.
 - D. Try new medicine and then have a blood test.

2. What do the speakers imply about the new Greek restaurant?
 - A. They don't like it.
 - B. They have both eaten there.
 - C. They hear it is almost as good as a former restaurant.
 - D. They have never had a good Greek restaurant in their area.



3. What does the woman say about taking the certification exam?

- She thinks she should take it, but it's too time-consuming.
- She doesn't think she is smart enough to pass it.
- She already took it and failed.
- She does not believe it will benefit her career.

4. What does the man imply about what happened on the highway?

- He was not afraid.
- Nothing really happened. The accident was just a rumor.
- He was not driving the car at the time of the accident.
- He was extremely frightened.

5. What does the man say about Jose?

- He is sick.
- He did not wish to attend the function.
- He came to the party, but the man did not see him.
- He is in jail in another city.

6. According to the woman, why is Roberto considering changing schools?

- His father believes a well-known school is better.
- Roberto wants a school farther away from home.
- Roberto would prefer a smaller school.
- His father wants him to make better grades.

7. What do the speakers imply about the procedure the students will view?

- It's very interesting.
- It's not pleasant.
- It's hard work.
- The paper will be hard to write.

8. What does the woman imply about Allan's leaving the meeting?

- He had a prior engagement.
- He was not at the meeting at all.
- He was unhappy with the presentation.
- The leader made him leave.

9. What do the speakers mean?

- Neither Helen nor the man could find the books.
- Helen found the books on the Internet.
- The man found the books for Helen.
- Helen found the books for the man.

10. What does the woman mean?

- The jury probably will not make a decision today.
- The jury has already made a decision.
- The jury is voting right now.
- The jury will likely make a decision tonight.

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11. What do the speakers imply about Bill and the stock market?

- A. Bill has been studying the stock market lately.
- B. Bill never believes anything he reads about stocks.
- C. Bill made a bad decision about a stock purchase.
- D. Bill has made an enormous amount of money in the stock market.

12. What do the speakers say about what happened to Stephen?

- A. He lost his job.
- B. He quit his job.
- C. He was killed in an accident.
- D. He was injured severely in an accident.

13. What is the woman's problem?

- A. She needs more sleep.
- B. She is sleeping a lot but feels exhausted.

14. What do the speakers say about their opinions of the receptionist?

- A. She eats too much at her desk.
- B. She writes messages that contain incorrect information.
- C. She refuses to write down phone numbers.
- D. She is rude to callers.

15. What does the man say about interviewing with the new company?

- A. He absolutely will not interview with the company.
- B. He will interview if he is invited.
- C. He already took a job with his old company.
- D. He already interviewed with them.

Part B

Directions: In this part, you will hear several conversations and talks. You will hear each conversation or talk only once, and then you will hear several questions. Answer the questions based on what is stated or implied by the speakers. Choose the best of the answer choices provided. Mark the answer in your book or on a separate piece of paper.

CD B, Track 2

16. What does the woman indicate about the next process in the case?

- A. The judge may send them to an arbitrator.
- B. The judge will require mediation.
- C. The judge will set a trial date.
- D. The judge will give them an option, and the woman suggests mediation.



17. What had the man assumed about mediation?

- That it is very useful
- That it involves an arbitrator
- That the court can be convinced to allow a trial
- That it will cost too much money

18. How does the man apparently feel about the opposing parties in this matter?

- He feels that the opponents are entrenched in an incorrect position.
- He feels that an arbitrator could convince them.
- He feels that mediation is a great idea.
- He feels that the opposing party is being too sensitive.

19. How does the woman appear to feel about mediation?

- That it is a waste of time
- That the court should be talked out of it

20. What does the man indicate that the woman previously advised him to do?

- To try mediation
- To resist mediation
- To settle the case
- To try arbitration

21. What does the woman state about the mediation procedure?

- The mediator will listen to the evidence and render a decision.
- The mediator will separate the parties and carry settlement offers from one to the other.
- The mediator will push the parties like an exercise coach.
- The mediator will listen to evidence and then contact the judge.

CD B, Track 3

22. How long does the man indicate that Claire Nelson has been interested in carcinogens?

- She recently became interested.
- She has been researching carcinogens for years.

C. She started research long ago but then put it off until just recently.

D. She performed research long ago but only obtained access to equipment when she met the Nobel Prize winners.

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23. What does the man indicate is the nature of her research?

- A. She studies whether microwave ovens cause radiation to migrate into food.
- B. She studies whether olive oil is a carcinogen.
- C. She studies whether carcinogens in plastic wrap can get into food when heated in microwave ovens.
- D. She studies whether microwave ovens cause cancer.

24. How did the man learn about Claire Nelson?

- A. He is a scientist.
- B. He read her scientific journal.
- C. He read about her in a newspaper.
- D. He assisted her in acquiring equipment.

25. How old is Claire Nelson at the time of the discussion?

- A. In seventh grade
- B. Seven years old
- C. A senior in college
- D. Eighteen years old

26. What is the woman's impression of Claire Nelson?

- A. She is lucky, and she is not a hard worker.
- B. She is very resolute.
- C. She took advantage of the government unnecessarily.
- D. She is not very intelligent.

CD B, Track 4

27. What does the woman imply that she just finished talking about before she began this topic?

- A. A will
- B. Handling things for an incapacitated person
- C. Guardianships
- D. Advanced directives

28. How is a power of attorney different from a will?

- A. The woman suggests never using the same person for both.
- B. A will is executed, while a power of attorney is not.

29. What does the woman indicate that a designee can do with a durable financial power of attorney?

- A. Access accounts and property while the grantor is alive
- B. Become the grantor's guardian
- C. Direct that life-prolonging procedures be withheld or withdrawn
- D. Administer the will



30. Why does the woman say that a durable power of attorney is the form to use?

- A. It is still effective after death.
- B. It remains valid in the case of incapacity.
- C. It has stronger language.
- D. It includes the right to terminate life support.

31. How does the man initially react to the suggestion of a power of attorney?

- A. He is hesitant.
- B. He is angry.
- C. He is obstinate.
- D. He is ready.

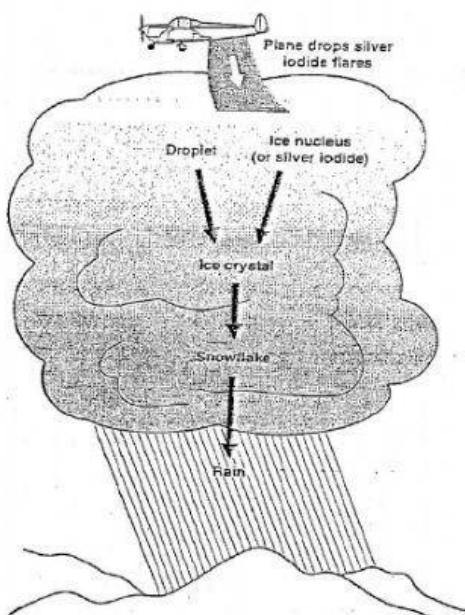
32. Which of the following would probably not be a use of an advance directive?

- A. To disconnect a ventilator on a dying 95-year-old man
- B. To remove food and hydration from a person who is in a permanent vegetative condition
- C. To write checks for medical care
- D. To discontinue chemotherapy and other medicines on a 46-year-old man with terminal cancer

33. How does the man appear to feel about advance directives?

- A. Hesitant
- B. Ready
- C. Afraid
- D. Confused

CD B, Track 5



34. What does the woman say has led to a new interest in cloud seeding?

- A. The fact that the process is easy and inexpensive
- B. Scientific studies that have proven its success
- C. Extended periods of drought
- D. The need for agricultural advances

35. Does the man indicate that he has heard of cloud seeding before?

- A. No, it is totally new to him.
- B. Yes, he heard of it some years ago.
- C. Yes, he just read an article about it recently for the first time.
- D. Yes, he has studied it extensively at the university.

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36. Why isn't cloud seeding used to combat dry conditions?

- A. It is not known to be effective.
- B. It definitely works but is far too expensive.
- C. The dry conditions are not that serious.
- D. It is not scientifically proven to be effective.

37. What does the man imply should be done?

- A. He thinks they should use it anyway.
- B. He thinks they should postpone use until it is proven to work.
- C. He thinks they should continue to research.
- D. He thinks they should give it up for good.

38. What is the correct order of the process of seeding a cloud?

- A. Ice crystals develop, iodides merge with water droplets, snow and rain develop, and iodides are deposited.
- B. Snow and rain develop, iodides are deposited, ice crystals develop, and iodides merge with water droplets.

39. According to the speaker, into what is the iodide deposited?

- A. Hurricane clouds
- B. Light wispy Cirrus clouds, which do not normally become storm clouds
- C. Large convective clouds, which are precursors to storm clouds
- D. Clouds that are full of condensation

40. According to the woman, what is a nuclei?

- A. A foothold
- B. A droplet
- C. A type of cloud
- D. A process

