

## LISTENING COMPREHENSION TEST

### FORM 11 (2016 – 2017)

#### TEXT 1

You will hear five short extracts in which people are talking about pop stars miming or 'lip-synching'. Listen and complete tasks 1 and 2 below. Remember that questions 1-5 and 6-10 refer to the same five speakers, so scan across both tasks before you listen.

#### TASK ONE

For questions 1-5, choose from the list A-H what each speaker feels about the music industry today. There can be only 1 answer for each speaker.

A. The only thing that matters nowadays is talent.	1) Speaker 1 _____ 2) Speaker 2 _____ 3) Speaker 3 _____ 4) Speaker 4 _____ 5) Speaker 5 _____
B. The industry creates music that follows what's fashionable.	
C. Tickets for live shows should be offered to fans first.	
D. The industry is too concerned about what artists look like.	
E. It's not only professionals who can perform well.	
F. It's a pity that a lot of talent is going to waste.	
G. It's not always easy to obtain tickets for live concerts.	
H. Many singers are second-rate live performers.	

#### TASK TWO

For questions 6-10, choose from the list A-H each speaker's attitude towards artists lip-synching. There can be only 1 answer for each speaker.

A. It would be unwise for some performers not to lip-synch.	6) Speaker 1 _____ 7) Speaker 2 _____ 8) Speaker 3 _____ 9) Speaker 4 _____ 10) Speaker 5 _____
B. No professional musician should need to lip-synch.	
C. Most singers who lip-synch simply look awkward.	
D. It's better to watch a recorded performance than artists lip-synching.	
E. The press should give more coverage to the fact that artists lip-synch.	
F. Lip-synching is acceptable if you know it's going to happen.	
G. Lyrics aren't important any more so it doesn't matter if artists lip-synch.	
H. If artists lip-synch, this is an insult to the audience.	

## TEXT 2

*You will hear part of a radio talk for young people about animals communicating with each other. Listen and complete the sentences with a word or a short phrase.*

1. Bees do a \_\_\_\_\_ to communicate where to find food.
2. Although parrots seem to speak, they are only \_\_\_\_\_ the human sounds.
3. Primates can communicate a few \_\_\_\_\_ using simple sounds.
4. Monkeys have not been observed to use any kind of \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Although dolphins can make vowel sounds, they cannot accurately imitate our \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Amazingly, dolphins demonstrate an \_\_\_\_\_ of when to use phrases.
7. The sounds made by whales contain \_\_\_\_\_ than human speech.
8. The songs of the bottle-nosed whale have many of the \_\_\_\_\_ of human speech.
9. The unique grammatical nature of human language arose due to life in \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Indeed, a young child needs enough \_\_\_\_\_ with other people to develop speech.