

TRS401 - FE LISTENING PRACTICE

Exercise 1

You will hear someone talking about the sport of elephant polo. For questions 9-18, complete the sentences.

Elephant Polo

Elephants are 9 [redacted] animals and so they enjoy elephant polo tournaments.

The 10 [redacted] of a goal in elephant polo is the same as in football.

A player and an elephant 11 [redacted] both sit on each elephant.

It is against the rules for the elephants to use their trunks to 12 [redacted] the ball.

A total of 13 [redacted] elephants are required for a game to take place.

The participants are in action for a total of 14 [redacted] during each game.

The stick used in the game is both 15 [redacted] ... and ... [redacted].

The elephants sometimes want to 16 [redacted] in front of a goal.

An elephant with a bad 17 [redacted] will be taken out of a game.

African elephants are not used because 18 [redacted] cause a problem.

Exercise 2:

You will hear five short extracts in which people are talking about digital books. For questions 19-23, choose from the list A-H what each speaker says. Use the letters only once. There are three extra letters which you do not need to use.

A I can see the words very clearly.	19 Speaker 1
B I only read digital books when I travel.	20 Speaker 2
C I can't always find what I want in digital format.	21 Speaker 3
D I wouldn't consider replacing all my paper books with digital books.	22 Speaker 4
E I always have a new digital book ready to read next.	23 Speaker 5
F I like the quality of the pictures.	
G I don't find digital books particularly convenient.	
H I appreciate all the extra features.	

Exercise 3:

You will hear a girl called Tricia Simpkins talking at a public meeting about a plan to create a nature reserve in the centre of a large city. For questions 24-30, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

24. How did Tricia once feel about the countryside?
 - A. She preferred it to the city.
 - B. She paid no attention to it.
 - C. She wanted others to experience it.
25. Why did Tricia take part in a wildlife survey?
 - A. She was required to do it.
 - B. She preferred it to being in school.
 - C. She was asked to do it by her neighbours.
26. What does Tricia say about the results of the survey?
 - A. They were unsatisfactory.
 - B. They were confusing.
 - C. They were unexpected.
27. What does Tricia say about the problems created by trees?
 - A. People exaggerate them.
 - B. People ignore them.
 - C. People accept them.
28. According to Tricia, what is wrong with the trees the council is planting?
 - A. They are expensive to replace.
 - B. They fail to attract wildlife.
 - C. They are too small for the area.
29. What used to happen in the wasteland at the end of Tricia's street?
 - A. Dog owners used to go there.
 - B. People used to leave rubbish there.
 - C. Children used to play there.
30. What is Tricia's suggestion for the new nature reserve?
 - A. to allow the planting of trees
 - B. to protect it from visitors
 - C. to let it go wild