

I. LISTENING

1. Listen to FIVE short conversations. Choose the main topic of each conversation. Circle A, B or C. You will listen TWICE.

1. What is the conversation about?
 - A. Future career.
 - B. Future technology.
 - C. A better world.
2. What are the speakers talking about?
 - A. Doing a business.
 - B. A study plan.
 - C. A personal goal.
3. What is the conversation about?
 - A. Why men and women are different.
 - B. Why more and more women work.
 - C. Why management is more suitable for women.
4. What is the conversation about?
 - A. Future career.
 - B. Working with women.
 - C. A women's daily routine.
5. What is the conversation about?
 - A. A physics class.
 - B. A physics teacher.
 - C. Virtual field trips.

2. Listen to Doctor Smith giving advice to new teachers. For questions 1. – 2, fill each of the blanks with NO MORE THAN THREE words.

This school year (1) _____ of teachers got fired.

The job market is (2) _____ but not impossible to crack.

For questions 3 – 6, order the events from 3 to 6. You will listen TWICE.

_____ Organise documents.

_____ Prepare carefully for your interview.

- ____ Don't wait for the phone to ring.
 ____ Look for regions that are hiring.

II. READING

1. Read the passage. Circle A, B or C to answer each question.

First explorations into the planets

Human's dream of stepping into the outer space has been long ago and Jules Verne - a famous fiction writer of the 19th century was the first to describe such journeys. However, it was not until 14 September 1959 when the first artificial object - Lunar 2 - reached the moon. It was a journey of around 36 hours. Then on 3 February 1966 Luna 9 - an unmanned space mission - achieved a soft landing on the moon and transmitted photographic data to Earth. Lunar 10 - a robotic spacecraft mission entered lunar orbit on April 3, 1966. On 20 July 1969, the first manned landing on the moon was made by Neil Armstrong. After his journey, a series of journeys to other planets were made. The first flyby - the flight of a spacecraft near a planet to record data - of Venus was made by Mariner 2 in 1962. Other flybies include that in 1965 for Mars by Mariner 4, 1973 for Jupiter by Pioneer 10, 1974 for Mercury by Mariner 10, 1979 for Saturn by Pioneer 11, 1986 for Uranus by Voyager 2, 1989 for Neptune by Voyager 2.

1. Jules Verne was the first _____.
 A. to dream of flying into space
 B. to enter the moon
 C. to describe space journeys
2. Lunar 2 was the first artificial object to _____.
 A. orbit the moon
 B. reach the moon
 C. land on the moon
3. Lunar 9 _____.
 A. was launched eight years after Lunar 2
 B. was launched with a human
 C. could send photographic data to Earth
4. According to the passage, which of the following is NOT true of Lunar 10?
 A. It was launched with a robot.
 B. It was launched in the same year with Lunar 9.
 C. It landed on the moon.

5. A flyby is a flight of a spacecraft _____.
 A. near Venus, Mars and Mercury to take pictures
 B. made near a planet to gain data of the planet
 C. made in 1962, 1974 and 1898

2. Read the passage about space. Decide if the statements are true (T) or false (F). Circle T or F.

In the past, the study of space was mainly carried out by astronomers using telescopes. However, astronomers sometimes had it wrong. Meanwhile, apart from the desire to conquer the world around, humans also want more space to accommodate the world's increasing population.

Owing to the developments in space technology, humans have made spectacular explorations and discoveries of the space. The explorations can be conducted either by unmanned robotic probes or by human spaceflights.

Undeniably, those achievements have been made quickly as a result of the "space race" by the Soviet Union and the United States. Within more than two decades, from the beginning of 1950s to 1970s, the two nations launched many of the milestones, from launching living beings into space to launching flybies to observe planets.

However, the biggest achievement of the 21st century has been the cooperation in launching the International Space Station, which serves as space environment research laboratory for experiments in many fields. It is also suited for the testing of spacecraft systems and equipment required for missions to the Moon and Mars. Hopefully, in the near future, space technological advancements will soon allow us to find out habitable space environment.

1. The study of space via telescopes may not always bring the right findings.	T	F
2. One purpose of space explorations is to look for habitable places.	T	F
3. The developments in technology allow scientists to discover more about space.	T	F
4. The Soviet Union and the United States cooperated in space explorations in the 1950s.	T	F
5. International Space Station is the result of joint efforts by nations.	T	F

III. WRITING

- 1. Complete each of the following sentences using the cues given. You can use other words in addition to the cues to complete the sentences. You may need to change the cues**

Here is an example.

0. The bookshop/ be/ opposite/ library.

Answer: 0. *The bookshop is opposite the library.*

1. 100 years/ ago/woman/ make up/ about/ 30 per cent/ Britain's workforce.

2. It/ estimate/ that/ 72 per cent/ graduates/ be/ female.

3. In/ all/ professions/ except/ engineering/ woman/ outnumber/ man.

4. The prediction/ be/ that/ by 2020/ women's pay/ overtake/ men's.

5. Woman/ play/ increasingly/ powerful role/ in/ shape/ consumer markets/ in/ years to come.

IV. LANGUAGE FOCUS

1. Choose the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following sentences. Circle A, B, or C.

1. Dublin, that is the capital of Ireland, is my favourite city.

2. Amelia whose mother is from Shanghai, speaks English and Chinese fluently.

3. Buckingham Palace, which the Queen of England lives, is in the centre of London.

4. Russell Crowe, starred in *Gladiator*, is born in New Zealand.

5. Mr Kemp, who teaches physics is going to retire next year.

2. Complete each sentence with the correct form of the word given.

1. _____ are often anxious before the interview.

INTERVIEW

2. We need to hire a program _____ for our program.

EVALUATE

3. So far we have got 100 _____ for the degree course.

APPLY

4. The paintings provide evidence of his artistic _____.

DEVELOP

5. Farmers have been slow to make _____ for their retirement.

PROVIDE