

## FCE Listening – Practice Test 2

### Part 1

You will hear people talking in eight different situations. For questions **1-8**, choose the best answer (**A**, **B** or **C**).

1. You hear part of a conversation in a watch repair shop. What is the man doing?  
A refusing to accept the watch for repair  
B encouraging the customer to buy a watch  
C advising the customer to have the watch mended elsewhere
2. You are on a train and you hear a woman leaving a message on an answering machine. Why is she calling?  
A to arrange a lift from the station  
B to change the time of her evening meal  
C to find out bus times from the station
3. You hear a talent show judge commenting on a performance she has just seen. What does she think of the man's performance?  
A He lacks confidence.  
B He chose the wrong song.  
C He has a weak singing voice.
4. You hear the beginning of a talk in a community centre. What will the talk be about?  
A local history  
B transport problems  
C modern agriculture
5. You hear a man talking about saving money. He wants to buy  
A a motorcycle.  
B a bicycle.  
C a car.
6. You hear a woman talking about a concert being cancelled. What does she think about this?  
A She is glad it will not take place.  
B It should be re-arranged for a later date.  
C She should have been told sooner.
7. You hear a man and woman talking about a flat they are considering renting. What do they both like about it?  
A the size  
B the low rent  
C the furniture
8. You hear a woman talking about her tablet computer. How does she feel about it?  
A She finds something about it annoying.  
B She wants to get a more powerful model.  
C She spends too much time using it.

## Part 2

You will hear a man called Markus Fischer talking about mooncake, a traditional Asian bakery product. For questions 9-18, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

### Mooncake

Markus was staying in **9** \_\_\_\_\_ when he first tried mooncake.  
Markus's favourite kind of mooncake has a filling made of **10** \_\_\_\_\_.  
Markus says that he likes to have **11** \_\_\_\_\_ with mooncake.  
Mooncake is popular during the Moon Festival, which last year was held in **12** \_\_\_\_\_.  
The mooncake Marcus was given during the festival had the shape of a **13** \_\_\_\_\_ on the top.  
Markus was surprised to learn that mooncake is rarely made **14** \_\_\_\_\_ in China.  
The people Markus was staying with received mooncake from their **15** \_\_\_\_\_.  
His host family gave Markus a mooncake that had a slightly **16** \_\_\_\_\_ flavour.  
Markus was told that, many years ago, people used mooncakes to send **17** \_\_\_\_\_ to each other.  
After people had read what was written on the mooncake, they **18** \_\_\_\_\_ it.

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## Part 3

You will hear five short extracts in which people talk about deciding to take up new interests. For questions 19-23, choose from the list (A-H) the reason each speaker gives for deciding to take up their new interest. Use the letters only once. There are three extra letters which you do not need to use.

<b>A</b> to help other people	Speaker 1 <b>19</b> ____
<b>B</b> to make some money	Speaker 2 <b>20</b> ____
<b>C</b> to pass the time	Speaker 3 <b>21</b> ____
<b>D</b> to meet new people	Speaker 4 <b>22</b> ____
<b>E</b> to try to win a prize	Speaker 5 <b>23</b> ____
<b>F</b> to overcome a fear	
<b>G</b> to get fit	
<b>H</b> to make a change from their work	

## Part 4

You will hear an interview with a woman called Adriana Moretti, who works as a wildlife photographer. For questions 24-30, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

24. Why did Adriana want to become a wildlife photographer?

- A She enjoyed travelling to remote locations.
- B She was very good at taking photos.
- C She was interested in animal behaviour.

25. Why, according to Adriana, is it easier nowadays to learn how to photograph animals?

- A The necessary equipment is cheaper than it used to be.
- B It is possible to learn wildlife photography online.
- C Cheap international travel means more species can be photographed.

26. Why did Adriana feel uncomfortable while she was trying to take photos of birds?

- A She was not able to sit down.
- B Her feet were getting wet.
- C She was being bitten by insects.

27. How did Adriana feel when she was trying to photograph the crocodile?

- A afraid that it might try to attack her
- B worried she may not get the photo she wanted
- C increasingly bored with waiting to take the picture

28. Adriana has still never taken photos of

- A a tiger in India.
- B a snow leopard in China.
- C a polar bear in Russia.

29. What disadvantage does Adriana say her work has?

- A She sometimes feels lonely when she is working abroad.
- B She doesn't see her family as often as she would like to.
- C She always has to go where the agency tells her.

30. Adriana believes it is becoming harder to get work as a wildlife photographer because

- A so many photos of wildlife are available on the Internet.
- B there is a lot of competition for jobs in wildlife photography.
- C people are becoming less interested in wildlife.