

Listening 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 a man talking about a book.

What does he particularly like about it?

A It's amusing.

B It's well written.

C It's informative.

2 You hear a caller on a radio phone-in programme.

Why has she called?

A to criticise the appearance of a new building

B to question the purpose of a new building

C to explain the location of a new building

3 You overhear a conversation about families.

What language does the man usually speak at home?

A Dutch

B English

C Spanish

4 You hear a woman talking about learning how to make jewellery.

What does she say about it?

A It's made her realise that she lacks practical skills.

B It's easier to do than she had expected.

- C It's created new opportunities for her.
- 5 You hear a man talking about a new car he's just bought.
The man was most attracted to this model by
- A its economy.
 - B its reliability.
 - C its size.
- 6 You overhear two sales assistants talking about their new manager.
What does the woman say about him?
- A He's well qualified for the job.
 - B He's been very polite so far.
 - C He seems very efficient.
- 7 You hear a man talking about a tennis competition.
What does he say about it?
- A It was less successful than a newspaper suggested.
 - B More people should have taken part in it.
 - C The players enjoyed it.
- 8 You hear a cycle mechanic talking to a customer.
What does he say about the customer's bike?
- A It's not worth repairing.
 - B It would be impossible to repair.
 - C It's difficult to get the parts needed for the repair.

Listening Part 2

You will hear a woman called Britt Foxtan talking about women's basketball.

For questions **9-18**, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

Women's basketball

Britt first designed her website when she was at **(9)**

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Britt's website is now called **(10)**

Britt says that **(11)** is the main topic now covered by her website.

Britt began writing her book in the month of **(12)**

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Britt says that women's basketball has been an Olympic sport since the year **(13)**

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The first women basketball players suffered **(14)**

..... as well as discomfort as a result of their clothing.

Britt says that both handkerchiefs and **(15)** were often found on court after early women's games.

Britt mentions **(16)** as something that women basketball players were not allowed to use on court.

Britt tells us about a women's team with the name **(17)**

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When talking about her book, Britt describes herself as a **(18)**

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Listening Part 3

You will hear five short extracts in which people are talking about holiday jobs they have done.

For questions **19-23**, choose from the list (**A-H**) what each speaker says about the job they did.

Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

- A** I was disappointed not to earn more.
- B** The routine made it very boring.
- C** I didn't like the way some people were rude to me.
- D** I didn't have to work very hard.
- E** My boss was very demanding.
- F** I needed to be very sociable.
- G** Some of my colleagues were very friendly.
- H** I had to be prepared for unexpected events.

19 Speaker 1

20 Speaker 2

21 Speaker 3

22 Speaker 4

23 Speaker 5

Listening Part 4

You will hear an interview with a novelist called Greg Field.

For questions **24-30**, choose the best answer (**A**, **B** or **C**).

- 24** What led Greg to start reading as a child?
- A** the encouragement of his parents
 - B** spending time exploring a local library
 - C** some books he was allowed to look through
- 25** What does Greg say about his schooldays?
- A** He found books more interesting than websites.
 - B** He liked reading books that had been made into films.
 - C** He was inspired by the way one teacher used books in class.
- 26** How did Greg feel when his first novel was published?
- A** calm
 - B** relieved
 - C** disappointed
- 27** What does Greg say about the place where he writes?
- A** He likes to keep distractions to a minimum.
 - B** He has a favourite pen that he always uses.
 - C** He enjoys varying the room where he works.
- 28** What is different about Greg's next book?
- A** the period in which it is set
 - B** the readers it is intended for

C the seriousness of the message

29 Greg says that writing novels based on your own experiences can

A be very difficult to do well.

B limit what you can describe.

C quickly become boring for readers.

30 Greg advises new writers to avoid

A explaining the meaning of symbols they use.

B mentioning people's clothes too much.

C involving too many different places.