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ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE **0511/23**

Paper 2 Listening **May/June 2024**

Approximately 50 minutes (including 6 minutes' transfer time)

You must transfer your answers onto the multiple choice answer sheet.

You will need: Multiple choice answer sheet
Soft clean eraser
Soft pencil (type B or HB is recommended)

INSTRUCTIONS

- There are **40** questions on this paper. Answer **all** questions.
- You will have 6 minutes to transfer your answers from the question paper onto the multiple choice answer sheet.
- Follow the instructions on the multiple choice answer sheet. Shade **one** letter only for Questions 1 to 40.
- Write in soft pencil.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number on the multiple choice answer sheet in the spaces provided unless this has been done for you.
- Do **not** use correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- Dictionaries are **not** allowed.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 40.
- Each correct answer will score one mark.
- Any rough working should be done on this question paper.

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Exercise 1

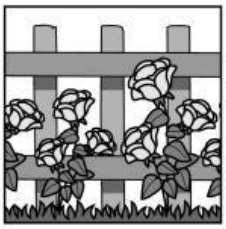
You will hear eight short recordings. For each question, choose the correct answer, **A**, **B**, **C** or **D**, and put a tick (✓) in the appropriate box.

You will hear each recording twice.

Question 1

What did the girl like most in the park?

A ☐



B ☐

C ☐

D ☐

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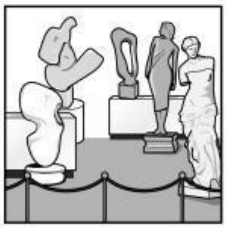
Question 2

What did the boy spend most time looking at during his museum trip yesterday?



A ☐

B ☐

C ☐

D ☐

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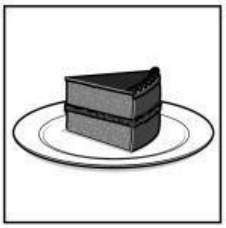
Question 3

What did both friends particularly enjoy at the restaurant?



A ☐

B ☐

C ☐

D ☐

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Question 4

How did the boy get to college this morning?

A ☐

B ☐

C ☐

D ☐

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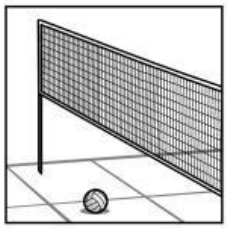
Question 5

Which new sport would the girl like to do?

A ☐



B ☐

C ☐

D ☐

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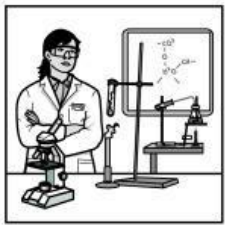
Question 6

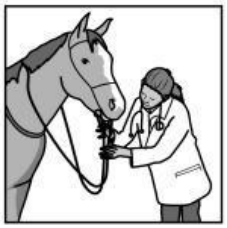
What job is the girl considering doing in the future?

A ☐

B ☐



C ☐



D ☐

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Question 7

Which activity will the girl help with in the park?

A ☐

B ☐

C ☐

D ☐

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Question 8

Where is the boy moving to?

A ☐

B ☐

C ☐

D ☐

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[Total: 8]

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Exercise 2

You will hear five short recordings. For each question, choose the correct answer, **A**, **B** or **C**, and put a tick (✓) in the appropriate box.

You will hear each recording twice.

You will hear two friends talking about the photos they've taken in the countryside.

Question 9

The girl is pleased with her photos of birds because

A she wasn't expecting to see many that day. ☐

B she isn't a very experienced photographer. ☐

C she didn't feel familiar with her new camera. ☐

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Question 10

Why is the boy disappointed with his photos?

A They are too similar. ☐

B There's too little light in them. ☐

C They look too ordinary. ☐

[1]

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You will hear a man leaving a message for a colleague about his car.

Question 11

What happened to the man's car this morning?

A It wouldn't start. ☐

B It made a loud noise. ☐

C It broke down halfway to work. ☐

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Question 12

The man thinks that his car

A might cost a lot to repair. ☐

B should perhaps be sold. ☐

C has been useful while he's had it. ☐

[1]

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You will hear two people talking about the market in their town.

Question 13

What did the woman buy at the market this morning?

A a present for a relative ☐

B some clothes for a special occasion ☐

C something nice for herself ☐

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Question 14

What does the woman say about shopping in the market?

A She's often surprised by what she finds. ☐

B Some of the items are poor quality. ☐

C The range of things to buy is increasing. ☐

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You will hear a man talking about his experiences of reading novels.

Question 15

What does the man say about his literature class at school?

A It put him off reading novels for a few years. ☐

B It introduced him to writers he hadn't heard of. ☐

C It involved studying books he didn't enjoy. ☐

[1]

Question 16

How does the man feel about novels now?

A He's keen to read anything that's new. ☐

B He's happy to recommend good ones to others. ☐

C He's enjoying expanding his collection of them. ☐

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You will hear two friends talking about holidays.

Question 17

The friends agree that when going away on holiday,

A it's essential to include time to rest. ☐

B it's important not to have to travel too far. ☐

C it's nice to go somewhere they've been before. ☐

[1]

Question 18

The man says he chose his holiday destination last year because

A it had been recommended by a friend. ☐

B it had been featured on a travel show. ☐

C it had been his dream to visit it for ages. ☐

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[Total: 10]

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Exercise 3

You will hear a woman called Marta Harris giving a talk about small creatures called bats. For each question, choose the correct answer, **A**, **B** or **C**, and put a tick (✓) in the appropriate box.

You will hear the talk twice.

Now look at Questions **19–26**.

Bats

Question 19

Marta first became interested in bats when she was …

A studying at university. ☐

B working in an office. ☐

C staying with a friend. ☐

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Question 20

Marta says she decided to learn more about bats because …

A their lives seem to be a mystery. ☐

B they are attractive to look at. ☐

C they clearly need help. ☐

[1]

Question 21

Marta explains that … is the most useful way that bats help the environment.

A eating harmful insects ☐

B spreading seeds around ☐

C helping flowers to grow ☐

[1]

Question 22

Marta especially likes the fact that bats …

A fly with amazing skill. ☐

B manage to live close to people. ☐

C only come out in the evening. ☐

[1]

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Question 23

Marta says there are about … different species of bat in her country.

A 25 ☐

B 18 ☐

C 10 ☐

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Question 24

Marta says the place where she saw the most bats was …

A by a river. ☐

B in a forest. ☐

C near a sports field. ☐

[1]

Question 25

Marta was surprised by how … some bat calls that she heard were.

A varied ☐

B loud ☐

C frequent ☐

[1]

Question 26

Marta does … to teach more people about bats.

A exhibitions ☐

B guided walks ☐

C presentations ☐

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Exercise 4

You will hear six people talking about long-distance train travel.

For Questions **27–32**, choose from the list (**A–H**) which idea each speaker expresses. Write the correct letter (**A–H**) on the answer line. Use each letter only once. There are two extra letters which you do not need to use.

You will hear the recordings twice.

Now read statements **A–H**.

A	It's always exciting when I set off.
B	It's less expensive than I thought.
C	It's more environmentally friendly.
D	It's an excellent way to see the scenery.
E	It means that I use my time efficiently.
F	It gives me opportunities for interesting conversations.
G	It offers comfort and space.
H	It's a great way to observe other people.

Question 27	Speaker 1	.....	[1]
Question 28	Speaker 2	.....	[1]
Question 29	Speaker 3	.....	[1]
Question 30	Speaker 4	.....	[1]
Question 31	Speaker 5	.....	[1]
Question 32	Speaker 6	.....	[1]

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Exercise 5

You will hear an interview with a student called Jamie Walsh, whose hobby is exploring his city on foot. For each question, choose the correct answer, **A**, **B** or **C**, and put a tick (✓) in the appropriate box.

You will hear the interview twice.

Now look at Questions **33–40**.

Question 33

Why did Jamie decide to start exploring his city on foot?

A He'd recently taken up walking for pleasure. ☐

B He thought it would give him a fresh impression of the place. ☐

C He found nearby rural areas were becoming too busy. ☐

[1]

Question 34

Jamie says that initially, he made sure he

A avoided turning the walks into a personal challenge. ☐

B had time to absorb what was around him. ☐

C maintained a relaxed walking speed. ☐

[1]

Question 35

How does Jamie find time to walk as well as study?

A He deliberately goes to new areas to buy food. ☐

B He takes public transport to the outskirts at weekends. ☐

C He stops on his journey home from classes to explore places. ☐

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Question 36

What has Jamie found particularly helpful when planning his walks?

A including suitable places to rest ☐

B using a paper map ☐

C having variation on each route ☐

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Question 37

Jamie explains that one advantage of staying within his city is that

A he can visit parts connected to his family. ☐

B he can go home again if he gets bored. ☐

C he can easily encourage others to join him. ☐

[1]

Question 38

What surprises Jamie about the people he meets on his walks?

A how much help they give him ☐

B how long they've been in the city ☐

C how friendly they are ☐

[1]

Question 39

Jamie says he's got the greatest enjoyment from reading about the city's

A architecture. ☐

B history. ☐

C famous people. ☐

[1]

Question 40

Which discovery has personally benefited Jamie the most?

A great cafés in unexpected places ☐

B interesting galleries on the edge of the city ☐

C beautiful parks he'd never heard of ☐

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[Total: 8]

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