

TEST 4

PART 1

Read the text below. For each of the empty space choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D).

Why do songs get stuck in our heads?

Having a song, tune, or commercial jingle stuck in one's head is a phenomenon (1) _____ as having an earworm. Most people have had an earworm at one time. The experience is harmless and unrelated to both obsessive-compulsive disorder and endomusia, the (2) _____ of music that is not really there. Certain songs — simple, repetitive, or oddly incongruous — have properties that act as mental mosquito bites in that they produce a cognitive "itch." The condition also arises when people struggle (3) _____ forgotten lyrics or how a song ends. To scratch a cognitive itch, the brain repeats the song, which then traps the hapless victim in a repeated cycle of itching and scratching. Everyone has his or her own list of demon tunes that haunt. Earworms occur more often among women, musicians, and individuals who (4) _____ to worry. Earworms also vary across situations, striking when people (5) _____ or under stress. How can you make an earworm go away? Thinking of something else or actually listening to the song in question are thought to help, but there is presently no research evidence showing what works best. Fortunately, (6) _____ episodes eventually dissipate on their own.

	A	B	C	D
1	knew	known	has known	knows
2	hears	heard	hearing	is hearing
3	remember	remembers	remembered	to remember
4	tend	tending	tended	tends
5	tiring	have tired	are tired	tired
6	much	most	the most	more

PART 2

Read the texts below. Match choices. There are three choices you do not need to use.

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| A. Information System | E. Information Resources |
| B. Food Services | F. Housing and Facilities |
| C. Student Profile | G. Extracurricular Activities |
| D. Admission Instructions | H. Student Orientation |

Central European University

Central European University (CEU) is looking to attract students with a sense of social responsibility who are dedicated to contributing to the public good, who are transnationally inclined, and who have the potential to work for open and democratic societies. They must in addition possess the highest academic achievements and have the potential for intellectual development. Another of the main characteristics of CEU's student body is the lack of a dominant national culture. Students are admitted on the basis of merit, without any specific country quotas or preferences.

7. This abstract is about _____

CEU encourages and supports a lively university atmosphere and a sense of community that extends beyond the classroom. As the majority of students come to CEU as international students, the university seeks to build upon the multicultural diversity of its constituents and to enrich the overall student experience. Student activities at CEU are organized directly by the students, by their academic departments or by the Student Life Office of Student Services. Some activities support specific interests, talents and academic pursuits, while others are open to the entire university community and bring together students, faculty and staff.

8. This abstract is about _____

The CEU Residence and Conference Center is a modern residence complex located in District 10 of Budapest. It provides air-conditioned single rooms for up to 180 students; each room is equipped with a personal computer and a private bathroom. The dormitory is run as a hotel-type service and students can find many other services such as a small shop for various personal articles, a cafeteria, a restaurant and a pub. There is a sports center with a swimming pool and a fitness room, basketball and tennis courts, etc. On every floor there is a quiet lounge with a coffee machine, a microwave oven and a refrigerator; as well as a TV room, and a laundry room. Bed linen is provided, but not towels and toiletries. Cooking or keeping food in rooms is not permitted.

9. This abstract is about _____

With over 250,000 documents in various formats, the CEU Library holds the largest collection of English-language materials in the social sciences and the humanities in Central and Eastern Europe. New materials are constantly acquired, particularly within the disciplines of CEU's academic departments and programs. Recently published English-language monographs and serials in economics, environmental policy and sciences, history, international relations and European studies, law, and political science can be found in the collection: many are unique to the region. The basic literature of specialized fields such as gender studies or nationalism is also richly represented.

10. This abstract is about _____

CEU maintains an internal academic data network. Course registration and grading are computerized, and students are responsible for conducting all necessary procedures in connection with registration. This continually developing service integrates most of the administrative functions students have to deal with during their stay at CEU.

11. This abstract is about _____

PART 3

Read the text below. For question 12-16 choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D). Write your answer on the separate answer sheet.

London Hostels

Hostels have been the main stay of travellers for many years. Traditional hostels offered low rates and shared sleeping arrangements in exchange for chores. In the 1960's a new type of hostel emerged that did away with the chore requirement. A typical London hostel will provide bedding and access to shared cooking and bathing spaces. The term "hostel" can also refer to accommodation houses for homeless people, and travellers may want to make a distinction by using the term "youth hostel."

London hostels provide comfortable lodging to travellers looking to save money. While health issues and crime are generally not a concern, travellers may want to lock up personal belongings when leaving the hostel. Since guests of London hostels will almost never have a private room, it is a good idea to lock up money and travel documents at the reception. Most London hostels will offer to secure your items in a locked space, sometimes for a fee, to house such personal belongings.

London hostels are quite numerous, and the city draws many hostel guests from around the world. For many travellers, this is a major advantage of staying in hostels in London. Since guests are often sleeping in the same room and using many of the same facilities, youth hostels in London are one of the best places to meet other travellers. In a city as world renowned as London, guests are sure to meet interesting international contacts.

Another advantage to a hostel in London is the shared kitchen area. Almost all hostels will have a fully stocked kitchen or cooking area - ideal for backpackers and tourists who like to enjoy a home cooked meal as a contrast to UK restaurants. Obviously, for travellers on a budget, cooking can also be a great way to save money.

If a hostel in London is only one of the many hostel stays you plan to make, you may want to buy into a hostel group. As a member of a hostel group, you will be eligible for discounted and cheap London hostel rates at just about any popular hostel in Europe or the UK. Your pass also makes you eligible for additional discounts at surrounding restaurants or other entertainment venues.

12. What is stated in the text about hostel residents?

- A. They enjoy spacious rooms.
- B. They enjoy individual bathrooms.
- C. They used to pay extra for room service.
- D. They used to tidy up their rooms themselves.

13. What is one of the reasons people stay at youth hostels?

- A. They have no homes of their own.
- B. London hotels are often overcrowded.
- C. It's a good place to get to know people.
- D. Hostels do not admit large youth groups.

14. According to the text, how should you keep your valuables safe?

- A. To take them with you when you go out
- B. To hide them among your belongings
- C. To lock them up in your own room

D. To leave them at the hostel safety box

15. What is mentioned as an advantage of a hostel group membership?

- A. Being able to use the hostel cooking area
- B. Being able to get a room without booking
- C. Being able to save money when going out
- D. Being able to use a storage area free of charge

16. For what kind of travellers is a hostel a suitable place?

- A. For travellers who prefer cooking for themselves
- B. For travellers who take care of their health
- C. For travellers who try to avoid noisy company
- D. For travellers who dislike sharing facilities

PART 4

Read the text below. For questions 17-26 choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D). Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Paper Plane That Flew Higher Than a Jet

Many of us built paper planes to (17) _____ around the classroom, but a team of British enthusiasts had more (18) _____ plans – to send a paper plane towards the edge of space. Last week, the aircraft, built from paper and paper straws, and with a three-foot wingspan, was launched from a site in Spain. A helium balloon (19) _____ it to an altitude of 90,000ft (17 miles) – not, admittedly, very (20) _____ to outer space (which is considered to begin around 50 miles above the Earth's surface), but higher than a jumbo jet would normally fly (39,000ft). The balloon then (21) _____, allowing the plane to glide gently back to Earth. (22) _____ the way, it took pictures (23) _____ a miniature camera before landing 100 miles from the launch site, (24) _____ but for a tear in its wing.

The project was masterminded by Steve Daniels, John Oates and Lester Haines, who said they (25) _____ with the idea after being (26) _____ by a project last year to send a lump of cheese into space. They had done it, they said, for a “laugh”.

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| 17. A. drop | B. start | C. throw | D. release |
| 18. A. long | B. ambitious | C. majestic | D. common |
| 19. A. lifted | B. ascended | C. blew | D. pushed |
| 20. A. nearby | B. similar | C. close | D. exact |
| 21. A. destroyed | B. flew | C. disappeared | D. exploded |
| 22. A. Through | B. Straight | C. Across | D. Along |
| 23. A. at | B. with | C. on | D. by |
| 24. A. total | B. whole | C. absolute | D. reliable |
| 25. A. came up | B. came over | C. came out | D. came across |
| 26. A. drawn | B. involved | C. inspired | D. captured |

PART 5

Read the texts below. Match choices (A–H) to (27–32). There are two choices you do not need to use.

- A. Let It Out!
- B. You Are What You Eat
- C. Laugh!
- D. Write Down Your Feelings
- E. Communicate and Relax
- F. Eat Something Tasty!
- G. Make Something
- H. Exercise Every Day!

It's not Me, It's My Hormones!

27 _____

When you feel like you can't even crack a smile, force yourself to do something fun. Hook up with a funny friend or watch a comedy movie or TV show and laugh till you cry! It might be an act at first, but you'll soon be giggling for real!

28 _____

There's nothing wrong with crying! If you feel yourself welling up and you're in a quiet and private place, go for it! You'll feel so much better. Just make sure you've got some tissues close by!

29 _____

It really is true! Certain foods are great for making you happy. When you're feeling low, reach for some good mood food — nuts, beans, fish, fruit will all put a smile on your face!

30 _____

Get creative! Having a project to work on can take your mind off the stresses of growing up. You could work on a painting or drawing, take some cool photos or even make some clothes or customise the ones you've got! The feelings of pride and success you'll get when you finish your project will be unbeatable!

31 _____

Keeping a diary or channelling your thoughts and feelings into a story, poem or article can really help get things into perspective. You could even keep a blog — just be sure not to give any personal information away, like your name, age or address. Years from now, you can take a look at what you've written and remember, you can get through anything!

32 _____

They say that the food you eat can affect not just your body, but your mind too! Eating a balanced diet with plenty of fruits, vegetables, and whole grains can help regulate your hormones and keep your mood stable. Avoid too much sugar or junk food, as they can make you feel worse in the long run. Instead, fuel your body with healthy choices, and you'll notice how much better you feel both physically and mentally!