LISTENING

Listening Section Instructions

This section of the test has three parts. Mark all your answers on the separate answer sheet. Do not make any stray marks on the answer sheet. If you change your mind about an answer, erase your first answer completely. If you do not know the answer, you may guess. Try to answer as many questions as possible.

Part 1

In this part, you will hear 20 short conversations. After each conversation, you will hear a question about it. You will hear each conversation and question once. The answer choices are printed in the test booklet. Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet, not in the test booklet. You should mark A, B, C, or D.

Do you have any questions?

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1. What ingredient does the woman need?
   A. butter
   B. vegetable oil
   C. flour
   D. eggs

2. How does the woman feel?
   A. embarrassed about her bag
   B. confused about how her bag got damaged
   C. upset about the dog's behavior
   D. excited to go shopping

3. What is probably the woman's relationship to the company?
   A. She is interviewing for a position.
   B. She is a frequent customer.
   C. She is a new employee.
   D. She is the man's boss.

4. What will the man probably do later?
   A. contact a professor
   B. withdraw from a class
   C. finish an assignment for a course
   D. check to see when his homework is due

5. What will the man do for Ms. Anderson?
   A. watch her house
   B. deliver her mail
   C. take care of her dog
   D. take her to the airport

6. How will the man help the woman?
   A. He will set up the meeting room.
   B. He will print out some materials.
   C. He will read the presentation slides.
   D. He will take notes at the meeting.

7. Why does the man apologize to the woman?
   A. He took her drink.
   B. He is not paying attention.
   C. He took her place in line.
   D. He did not understand her order.

8. Why is the boy asking the girl for help?
   A. because she took the class once before
   B. because she is a very good student overall
   C. because she has a big rock collection
   D. because she has a good book about rocks

9. What does the man imply about Anthony?
   A. He can't be depended upon to produce quality work.
   B. He didn't finish writing a report on time.
   C. He was assigned to edit a report.
   D. He has been given several important tasks.

10. What does the woman think of the building?
    A. It has too many windows.
    B. It has a confusing design.
    C. It was probably expensive to build.
    D. It isn't very attractive.

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11. What will the man probably do?
    A. buy a train ticket
    B. check the bus schedule
    C. ask for a lower price
    D. drive a car tomorrow

12. What does the woman say about houses for sale right now?
    A. They have been for sale a long time.
    B. They all sell really fast.
    C. They are all very expensive.
    D. They are not in good condition.

13. What does the boy say he wants to happen?
    A. He wants to attend the same university as the girl.
    B. He wants to get a loan from his parents.
    C. He wants to receive discounted university tuition.
    D. He wants to go to a good university.

14. What does the woman think about the man's suggestion?
    A. She questions whether his idea will work.
    B. She doesn't think she needs his help.
    C. She appreciates his expertise in the area.
    D. She thinks his idea is very innovative.

15. What does the man say about his group?
    A. They haven't chosen a topic yet.
    B. They have a missing member also.
    C. They have problems finding time to meet.
    D. They haven't started their work yet.

16. What are the speakers discussing?
    A. a report the man needs to write
    B. preparations for the man's time off
    C. the duties of the woman's new job
    D. problems the man is having at work

17. Why does the woman mention her job?
    A. to ask to change her schedule
    B. to request payment for her work
    C. to explain her preference for a task
    D. to show her skill for a position

18. Why is the woman talking to the man?
    A. to access an online system
    B. to request an email
    C. to submit paperwork
    D. to schedule an appointment

19. How does the woman help the man?
    A. by suggesting he talk to someone
    B. by offering to read his paper
    C. by showing him a new website
    D. by letting him borrow a book

20. What is the man worried about?
    A. if the airline forgot to make a change
    B. if he will be able to call someone
    C. if he will need to wait a long time
    D. if the airline's sale has already ended

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Part 2

In this part, you will hear three short talks. After each talk, you will hear six questions about it. Before each talk begins, you will have time to preview the questions that are printed in the test booklet.

You will hear each talk and the questions once. If you want to, you may take notes in your booklet as you listen. Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet, not in the test booklet. You should mark A, B, C, or D.

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Now you will hear the first talk. Look at the questions.

Listen to a speaker at a literary event.

21. What is the speaker's main purpose?
    A. to explain a change to a program
    B. to talk about a new book
    C. to advertise a writing workshop
    D. to introduce a local author

22. What does the speaker imply about members of the audience?
    A. They are writers themselves.
    B. They are from the same town.
    C. They are unfamiliar with Frank Delmont.
    D. They are visiting from all over the country.

23. How did the speaker meet Frank Delmont?
    A. They worked in the same place.
    B. She saw him in a café.
    C. She edited his first book.
    D. They attended the same university.

24. What does the speaker say about the Writer's Workshop?
    A. It happens in the winter.
    B. It has more participants this year.
    C. It is a new program.
    D. It is for college students.

25. What does the speaker say about refreshments?
    A. They are upstairs.
    B. They are high quality.
    C. They are on a table in the back.
    D. They are free of charge.

26. What will the audience probably do next?
    A. have some treats
    B. listen to a presentation
    C. register for a workshop
    D. purchase a book

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Now you will hear the second talk. Look at the questions.

Listen to a student giving a presentation about a place he visited.

27. What does the speaker say about Native Americans?
    A. They taught others how to fish.
    B. They lived in Yellowstone for thousands of years.
    C. They got lost in Yellowstone.
    D. They created the first national park.

28. Why does the speaker mention lava?
    A. to share some of the dangers of Yellowstone
    B. to describe something interesting he saw
    C. to discuss how geysers are formed
    D. to explain how a certain volcano is unique

29. What is probably true about the speaker?
    A. He did not plan his presentation.
    B. He has never seen a bear in nature.
    C. He had never been to Yellowstone before.
    D. He did not want to give a presentation.

30. What will the speaker probably do next?
    A. show some videos and pictures
    B. show the class a map
    C. share more facts about Yellowstone
    D. talk about more animals

31. Why is the speaker most likely discussing his vacation?
    A. His family wanted him to.
    B. He is the only student who visited Yellowstone.
    C. He visited Yellowstone on a class trip.
    D. Ms. Jones asked him to.

32. What does the speaker mean when he says:
    A. He's not finished writing it yet.
    B. He's out of time to speak.
    C. That's all there is to say.
    D. The report was a lot of work.

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Now you will hear the third talk. Look at the questions.

Listen to a software product manager talking to her team.

33. What information does the speaker say was being tracked?
    A. money earned
    B. user activity
    C. hours worked
    D. number of servers

34. Why does the speaker mention times of day?
    A. to suggest that some people should work longer
    B. to emphasize how long some people have worked
    C. to describe when people use a product
    D. to share what time to release a product

35. What does the speaker suggest about future priorities?
    A. They'll be focused on new products.
    B. They'll change day-to-day.
    C. They'll include the next software release.
    D. They'll be less extensive than recent work.

36. What does the speaker imply about the future of the company?
    A. They will start developing different products.
    B. They may hire additional people.
    C. They may have to work harder soon.
    D. They will focus more on marketing their products.

37. What is the main purpose of the talk?
    A. to provide feedback on a new product
    B. to show appreciation for the employees' work
    C. to explain how to use new technology
    D. to tell employees when to return to work

38. What does the speaker mean when she says: 🔊
    A. There were an unexpected amount of users.
    B. The software worked consistently.
    C. There were some surprising reviews.
    D. The software was released on time.

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Part 3

In this part, you will hear two segments from a radio program. After each segment, you will hear six questions about it. Before each segment begins, you will have time to preview the questions that are printed in the test booklet.

You will hear each segment twice. Then you will hear the questions once. If you want to, you may take notes in your booklet as you listen. Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet, not in the test booklet. You should mark A, B, or C.

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Look at the questions. Then listen to the first segment.

39. What recent event involving a rare manuscript does the first speaker refer to?
    A. a surprising discovery
    B. a record-breaking sale
    C. a gift to a university

40. According to Dr. Laramie, what made the illustrators different from other highly skilled artists?
    A. their religious faith
    B. the way they made their paints
    C. the lack of recognition for their work

41. What key feature is shared by both the Book of Hours and earlier illuminated manuscripts?
    A. their beautifully decorated pages
    B. their use by individual citizens
    C. their substantial size and weight

42. What does Dr. Laramie say about the value of the Book of Hours?
    A. Its value cannot be determined.
    B. It should be heavily insured.
    C. Recent news stories have increased its value.

43. What does the reporter imply about similar illuminated manuscripts?
    A. They should be stored carefully.
    B. Few are displayed for the public to see.
    C. More may be discovered in the future.

44. What is the main purpose of this report?
    A. to educate listeners about an art form
    B. to announce the discovery of an ancient book
    C. to explain a set of religious beliefs

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Look at the questions. Then listen to the second segment.

45. Why does Michelle Perez mention French perfume and roses?
    A. to emphasize the difficulty of a process
    B. to introduce a new product
    C. to illustrate the need for experts

46. What would Michelle Perez probably say is the greatest challenge for a perfumer?
    A. determining the right mix of scents
    B. finding high-quality ingredients
    C. taking best advantage of technology

47. How does Michelle Perez view the recent research by two physicists?
    A. She is critical of how it was conducted.
    B. She is suspicious of its participants.
    C. She is skeptical of its implications.

48. Why doesn't the reporter use products with fragrances?
    A. He is allergic to the ingredients.
    B. He prefers to use unscented products.
    C. He wants to be considerate of others.

49. What does Steven Brown say about allergies to fragrances?
    A. They cause people to sneeze.
    B. Many people have them.
    C. Evidence for them is limited.

50. What is the purpose of this report?
    A. to discuss the complexity of a product
    B. to announce new developments in an industry
    C. to challenge accepted practices

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End of the listening test

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