

A. LISTENING

Part 1: Listen to a transport announcement, and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks

This is a London Underground service to Liverpool Street. The next station is Liverpool Street. Upon arrival, the first set of doors will not open. Customers in the first carriage, please move towards the rear doors to leave the train. The next station is Liverpool Street. Change here for Central Line, Circle Line, Hammersmith & City Line and Metropolitan Line and Main Line Suburban rail services. Please mind the gap between the train and the platform. This train terminates at Redbridge.

- Question 1:** A. arrival B. alive C. account D. arranger
Question 2: A. Chance B. Charge C. Change D. Chap
Question 3: A. station B. train C. terminates D. platform

Part 2. Listen to a professor give information about a new course and choose the best answer for each of the following questions.

- Question 4.** 1. What is the teacher's name?
a. Lindsay Black b. Lindsey Black c. Linsey Black
Question 5. What days is the class?
a. Monday and Tuesday b. Monday and Wednesday c. Monday and Thursday
Question 6. When is the teacher's office hour?
a. On Monday and Wednesday b. Friday at 6.00 c. Friday at 18.00

Transcript

Hello, everyone. Hello! It's nice to see you all here. Welcome to British Life and Language. I am your teacher. My name is Lindsay Black. That's L-I-N-D-S-A-Y Black. Before we begin, some information about the class.

Our class is in room 13, on the first floor. When you go upstairs, turn left to find the room. Again, that's room 13.

We have class twice a week, on Monday and Wednesday. Our class begins at 4.30 p.m. and lasts 90 minutes, so we finish at 6 p.m. That's 4.30 to 6. Please arrive on time, OK?

Also, I have an office hour if you have questions. I'm in office 7B on the second floor. My office hour is Friday at 6 p.m. So, if you have any questions or problems or want to talk to me, it's Friday at 6 p.m. in office 7B.

We begin next week, on March the 13th. That's Monday, March the 13th. The course ends on May the 20th. May the 20th is the last day.

II. LEXICO-GRAMMAR

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in the following question.

- Question 7.** A. pilot B. airline C. improve D. tidy
Question 8. A. hard B. vehicle C. happen D. habitat

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word that differs from the rest in the position of the main stress in the following question.

- Question 9.** A. problem B. numer C. balance D. appear
Question 10. A. factory B. habitat C. understand D. diferent

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges.

Question 11. The more flowers you grow, _____ your garden will be.

- A. the more colorful C. the most colorful B. the more colorfully D. more colorful

Question 12. "Why do you like Tania so much?" - "Well, she's one of the few people to _____ I can really talk."

- A. which B. whom C. that D. who

Question 13. "I won't be home this evening because I have to work late," Mike said.

Mike said that _____.

- A. I wouldn't be home this evening because I had to work late
B. he wouldn't be home this evening because he had to work late
C. he won't be home this evening because he has to work late
D. he wouldn't be home that evening because he had to work late

Question 14. Besides **switching off** lights, people can take part in a number of activities to raise awareness of environmental problems. (**OPPOSITE in meaning**)

- A. turning off B. turning down C. turning up D. turning on

Question 15. If I had known the time when the party started, I _____ you.

- A. would have told B. would tell C. had told D. will tell

III. READING

Read the following advertisement and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

WORK FOR COFFEE BEANS

John Britain's number one café at COFFEE BEANS where every café has (16) _____ same aims: to create family-like teams and to give excellent customer service.

Many different kinds of people come and work with us, so start your career at COFFEE BEANS today:

- choose the hours you work
- get (17) _____ experience
- share your love of coffee

Join us as a Team Member, Assistant Manager or Café Manager, depending (18) _____ your skills and experience.

Email us at jobs@coffeebeans.co.uk

Question 16: A. a B. an C. the D. Ø (no article)

Question 17: A. managing B. manager C. managable D. management

Question 18: A. on B. for C. of D. in

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word(s) for each of the blanks.

Cycling Makes Financial Sense

These days, most people are aware of the environmental impact of motor vehicles, and they realise that cars are responsible for a (19) _____ of problems facing their cities. Not many people, however, ever stop to think about how much money they would save by (20) _____ from driving to cycling.

Cars cost a lot to buy, and unlike other major investments such as houses, they quickly lose their value. On top of that, there are running costs such as repair bills, tax and insurance. All of (21) _____ seem to go up every year. Bicycles, (22) _____, are far less expensive to purchase and maintain, do not require petrol and are easy to park. And if a lot more people (23) _____ cycling, the government could spend less of the nation's resources on roads, which at present their taxes help pay for whether they drive on them or not.

(Adapted from *First trainer*, Cambridge University)

Question 19. A. many B. few C. number D. some

Question 20. A. exchanging B. changing C. adapting D. altering

Question 21. A. them B. which C. that D. whom

- Question 22. A. for example B. in contrast to C. therefore **D. on the other hand**
Question 23. **A. adopt** B. nurture C. develop D. foster

Mark the letter A, B, C, D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

The dustbin is full to the top with colored plastic. In fact, it is so full (24) _____. But the Strauss family, who own this dirty, old dustbin, are very proud of it. Why? Because it contains all the family's rubbish for a whole year!

Two years ago, this family read an article about plastic bags and how they cause pollution and (25) _____. They decided to stop using plastic bags completely. Now, (26) _____, they reuse their own bags each time. They recycle as much as they can - glass bottles, plastic bottles, paper, cardboard, cans - and they simply do not buy things if they cannot recycle the packaging.

The family is keeping (27) _____. They hope that other people will read it and reduce (28) _____. If everyone recycled a bit more, it would make the environment better.

Question 24.

- A. that it is difficult to put the lid on** B. which it is difficult to put the lid on
C. to put the lid on D. that put the lid on is difficult

Question 25.

- A. harm sea creatures** B. to harm sea creatures
C. harmful sea creatures D. harmless sea creatures

Question 26.

- A. to buy food **B. when they buy food**
C. when buy food D. when they are buying food

Question 27.

- A. their lifestyle of a record on their website B. a record on their website of their lifestyle
C. on their website their lifestyle of a record **D. a record of their lifestyle on their website**

Question 28.

- A. our waste B. your waste **C. their waste** D. my waste

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

In Africa, people celebrate with joy the birth of a new baby. The Pygmies would sing a birth-song to the child. In Kenya, the mother takes the baby strapped to her back into the thorn enclosure where the cattle are kept. There, her husband and the village elders wait to give the child his or her name.

In West Africa, after the baby is eight days old, the mother takes the baby for its first walk in the big, wide world, and friends and family are invited to meet the new baby. In various African nations, they hold initiation ceremonies for groups of children instead of birthdays. When children reach a certain designated age, they learn the laws, beliefs, customs, songs and dances of their tribes. Some African tribes consider that children from nine to twelve are ready to be initiated into the grown-up world. They may have to carry out several tests.

Masai boys around thirteen years old to seventeen **undergo** a two-stage initiation. The first stage lasts about three months. The boys leave their parents' homes, paint their bodies white, and are taught how to become young warriors. At the end of this stage, they have their heads **shaved** and they are also circumcised. The second stage, the young warriors grow their hair long and live in a camp called a manyatta where they practice hunting the wild animals that might attack the Masai herds. This stage may last a few years. When they are ready, they will marry and become owners of large cattle herds like their fathers.

The girls are initiated when **they** are fourteen or fifteen. They are taught by the older women about the duties of marriage and how to care for babies. Soon after that they are married and lead a life similar to that of their mothers.

Question 29: What does the passage mainly discuss?

- A. Activities in a birth celebration.
B. Celebrations for a new child in Africa.
C. Traditions of Masai people when having a new baby.
D. Birthday ceremonies for children in Africa.

Question 30: Where do the father and older villagers in Kenya give the name to the child?

- A. at their house **B. at the place keeping the cattle**
C. at the fence of the cattle's cages. D. in the village

Question 31: Which of the following is NOT mentioned in paragraph 2?

- A. An eight-day-old child will be taken for the first walk by his or her mother.
- B. Children are prepared for a mature life when being met by friends and family.**
- C. Children have to learn their tribes cultures and traditions when they are old enough.
- D. Children are likely to overcome some tests to enter the grown-up world.

Question 32: The word **undergo** in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. experience**
- B. explore
- C. commence
- D. participate in

Question 33: The word **shaved** in paragraph 3 mostly means _____.

- A. cover the hair with a hat
- B. cut the hair off with a razor**
- C. tie the hair with a hairpin
- D. dye the hair with another color

Question 34: What do the girls have to learn in their initiation?

- A. Homemaking and childbearing.
- B. The duty of marriage and how to look after their children.**
- C. How to lead a life after marriage and giving birth to a child.
- D. How to take care of her husband and family in the future.

Question 35: What does the word **they** in paragraph 4 refer to?

- A. babies
- B. older women
- C. the girls**
- D. the duties

IV. WRITING

Question 36: *Make the correct arrangement of the sentences into a meaningful letter. Then write on your answer.*

- a. Best wishes.
- b. First of all, self-study gives learners more freedom. They decide what they should study and how to learn depending on their abilities.
- c. Dear Lucy; I hope you are well. I am thinking about the advantages of self-study - learning at home without a teacher.
- d. Secondly, they can make learners responsible. They set their learning goals and make study plans to achieve them.
- e. Finally, it makes them more confident. Completing tasks and solving problems on their own boost learners' confidence.

Your Answers: **c - b - d - e - a**

Question 37: *Make the correct arrangement of the sentences into a meaningful paragraph. Then write on your answer.*

- a. Finally, much of our local forest has been cut down to make space for houses and farm land.
- b. Firstly, we are already suffering from the impact of its damage.
- c. Today many people argue that we should spend more money on restoring local ecosystems.
- e. Secondly, habitat loss has caused the disappearance of many plant and animal species.
- f. In conclusion, investing in nature conservation will help create a healthy and stable living environment for future generations.

Your Answers: **c- b- e- a- f**

Question 38: Topic writing:

Write a paragraph (120 - 150 words) about things you should do to reduce the negative impact of travelling on the environment

The following prompts might be helpful to you.

- reduce our carbon footprint during the trip.
- protect our environment.
- choose activities that are good for local people and the environment

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