



Practice Test 1

Listening Section Instructions

The listening section of the test (questions 1 – 30) is divided into four parts. Instructions and examples are provided at the beginning of each part. All questions are worth one point.

Part 1

In this part of the listening section (questions 1 – 10), you will hear ten short conversations. After each conversation, you will hear a question that is also written in your test booklet. You must choose the correct response from the three picture choices A, B, or C in your test booklet, and darken the appropriate circle on your answer sheet.

You will hear each conversation and question only **once**.

Here is an example:

You hear:

You see:

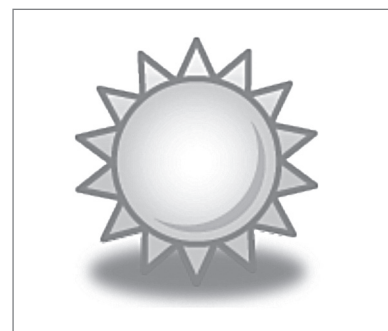
What is the weather like now?



A



B



C

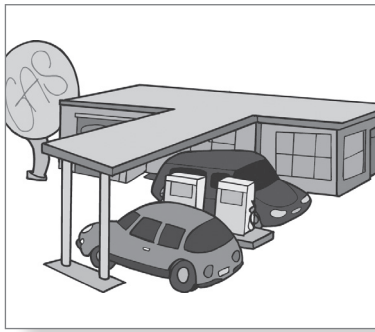
The correct answer is B. Do you have any questions? (A) ● (C)

Now, we will start Part 1 of the listening test.

1 Where will she find the nearest ATM?



A



B



C

2 What did Kelly and Greg do on vacation?



A



B

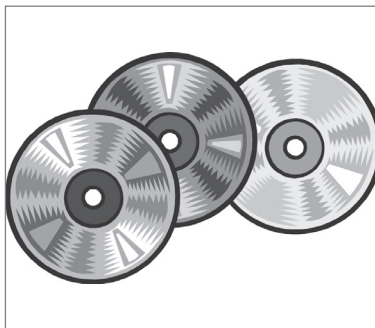


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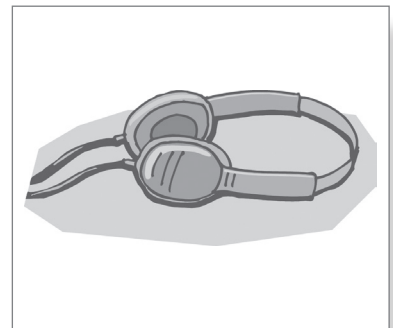
3 What would he like?



A

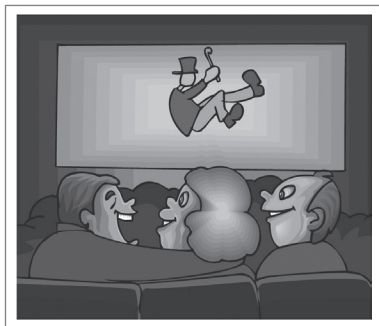


B



C

4 How did Martin probably spend his day?



A



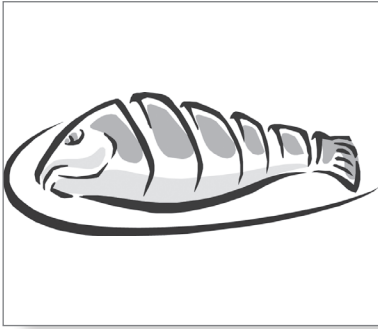
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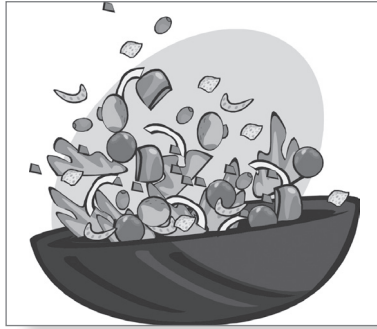
C

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5 What is the woman going to have for lunch?



A



B



C

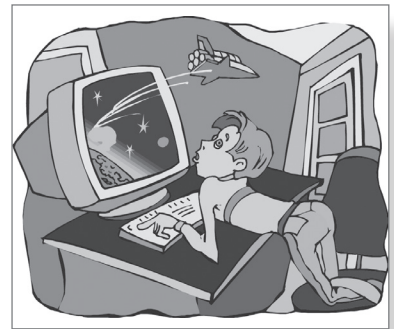
6 What are the children probably doing?



A



B



C

7 What is Jane planning to study at college?



A

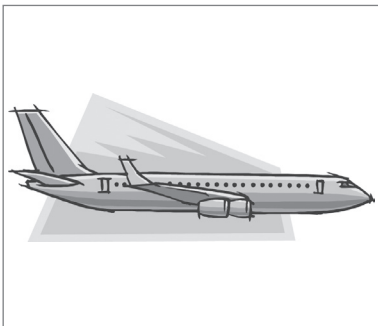


B

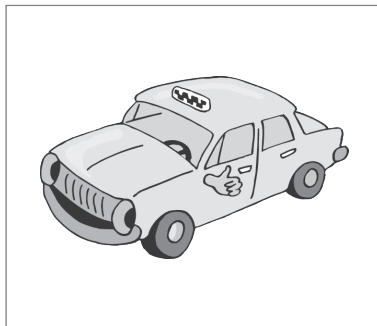


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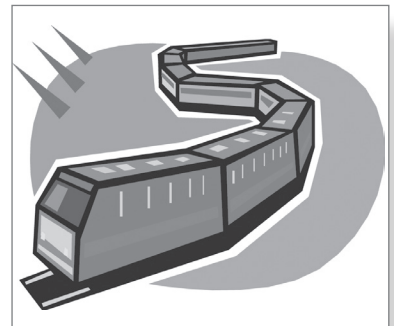
8 How will the woman travel?



A

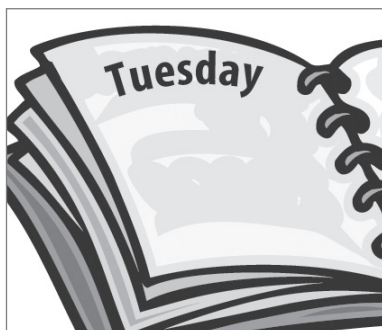


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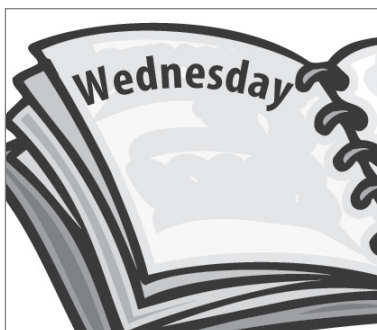


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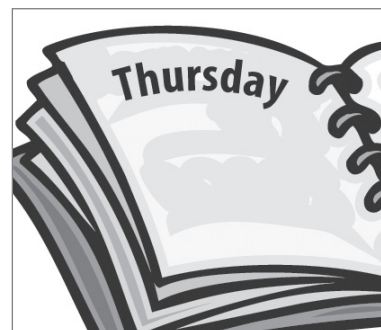
9 What day is it today?



A



B



C

10 Why did Bob miss the train?



A



B



C

Part 2

In this part of the listening section (questions 11 – 19), you will hear nine short messages or announcements. After each message or announcement, you will hear a question that is also written in your test booklet. You must choose the correct answer from the three choices A, B, or C in your test booklet and darken the appropriate circle on your answer sheet.

You will hear each message or announcement only **once**.

Here is an example:

Example: You hear:

You see:	When will the meeting be?
	A Wednesday
	B Thursday
	C Friday

The correct answer is C. ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C

Do you have any questions?

Now, get ready to listen to the messages or announcements.

- | | |
|---|--|
| <p>11 Where is the audience?</p> <p>A at a seminar</p> <p>B in a movie theater</p> <p>C at the opera</p> | <p>16 What kind of transportation is the announcement about?</p> <p>A subway</p> <p>B bus</p> <p>C train</p> |
| <p>12 What does Grace recommend Sally do?</p> <p>A phone the instructor</p> <p>B reply to her e-mail</p> <p>C read the noticeboard</p> | <p>17 How can Mr. Redman receive his package before March 11th?</p> <p>A by phoning Global Couriers</p> <p>B by sending an e-mail</p> <p>C by picking it up from the courier office</p> |
| <p>13 What services does Beautyland offer?</p> <p>A hair styling</p> <p>B nailcare</p> <p>C facial treatments</p> | <p>18 What number should the customer press to pay their bill?</p> <p>A 3</p> <p>B 4</p> <p>C 0</p> |
| <p>14 What should the passengers to Budapest do?</p> <p>A wait for the delayed flight</p> <p>B speak to the airline staff</p> <p>C pay for their accommodation</p> | <p>19 What is the purpose of the announcement?</p> <p>A to announce the result of the game</p> <p>B to inform fans about travel arrangements</p> <p>C to advertise the evening's program for fans</p> |
| <p>15 Why is Paul calling Mr. Jones?</p> <p>A He could not fix the boiler.</p> <p>B Mrs Jones forgot to pay him.</p> <p>C He has Mr. Jones's key.</p> | |

Part 3

In this part of the listening section (questions 20 – 25), you will hear an interview in three parts. After each part, you will hear two questions that are also written in your test booklet. You must choose the correct answer from the three choices A, B, or C in your test booklet, and darken the appropriate circle on your answer sheet. You will hear each part only **once**.

You are going to hear a conversation between an interviewer and a Hollywood director. Now, listen to the beginning of the interview followed by an example question.

Example: You hear:

You see:

What is the woman asking Ryan about?

- A his most famous movies
- B his current activities in the city
- C his role in a television series

The correct answer is B ☐ A ☒ B ☐ C

Do you have any questions?

Now, get ready to listen to the rest of the interview.

20 How much work has been done on continuing *Runway*?

- A There has been no progress.
- B A new story has been written.
- C The sequel is being filmed.

21 How does Ryan describe his new show?

- A a mixture of different types of TV shows
- B a traditional soap opera
- C a comedy using characters from several other shows

24 When did Ryan get the idea for the show?

- A While he was watching television.
- B While he was using a site.
- C While he was celebrating New Year's Eve.

25 When will the new show start on TV?

- A at the end of May
- B some time next fall
- C just before the year ends

22 How are everyday people involved in the show?

- A They are part of the live audience.
- B They must play roles of well-known soap characters.
- C They play themselves.

23 How does Ryan feel about playing the role of Nelson?

- A disappointed
- B excited
- C stressed

Part 4

In this part of the listening section (questions 26 – 30), you will hear a short talk. After the talk, you will hear five questions that are also written in your test booklet. Answer the questions by choosing A, B, or C based on the information in the talk and darken the appropriate circle on your answer sheet. You may take notes as you listen. You will hear the talk **twice**.

You are going to listen to a teacher talking to a group of students. Now, listen to the beginning of the talk followed by an example question.

You hear:

You read:

What is the situation?

- A a written examination
- B a French language class
- C a school theater performance

The correct answer is A. ● ☐ B ☐ C

Do you have any questions?

Now, get ready to listen to the rest of the talk.

26 Which of these rules is not true?

- A Cell phones are not allowed in the room.
- B Students must not talk to each other.
- C Students are allowed to use the dictionary.

27 What is the last part of the test today?

- A reading and vocabulary
- B writing
- C speaking

28 What is printed on the question sheet?

- A a warning
- B the students' names
- C a code number

29 What can students use to mark their answers?

- A Any pen or pencil.
- B The standard pencil provided or their own.
- C Only the pencil in front of them.

30 What should students do if they make a mistake?

- A Inform the teacher.
- B Erase it and write it again.
- C Ask for a new answer sheet.

Write notes here



END OF THE LISTENING SECTION. DO NOT TURN TO THE NEXT SECTION.

Grammar, Vocabulary and Reading Section Instructions

This section consists of 75 questions. You should complete the GVR Section in **70 minutes**. All items are worth one point. Remember to darken the appropriate circle on your answer sheet.

Grammar: 25 questions in total.

Choose A, B, C, or D to complete the sentences.

Example: What time tomorrow?

- A will meet
- B we are to meet
- C will be meeting
- D are we meeting

The correct answer is D. (A) (B) (C) ●

Vocabulary: 25 questions in total.

Choose A, B, C, or D to complete the sentences.

Example: My cousin is with us for a couple of weeks.

- A living
- B seeing
- C moving
- D staying

The correct answer is D. (A) (B) (C) ●

Reading Comprehension: 25 questions in total.

Part 1: In this part, there are four short passages on a similar theme. Answer the questions that follow by choosing the best answer from A, B, C, or D based on the information given in the passages.

Example: The following passages are reviews of movies.

A Frank & Rachel

Reviewer: Georgette (Age: 14) - Rating: ★★

Summary: There is a kid named Frank and he is the fastest runner in his class. One day a new girl named Rachel moves next door to Frank and she's ...

Likes: When Frank and Rachel become great friends.

Dislikes: I disliked the part where Rachel hit her head hard.

B Whatever you say

Reviewer: Leslie (Age: 12) Rating: ★★★★★

Summary: Wilma was born with a terrible weakness. She has to do whatever someone tells her to ...

Likes: The part where Wilma does not do what they tell her to do.

Dislikes: What is there to dislike!?

C Megagon

Reviewer: Jonathan (Age: 13) Rating: ★★

Summary: This movie is about a boy who lives with his uncle in a quiet village. One day he finds an egg from which a dragon comes out ...

Likes: I liked the idea of the dragon story.

Dislikes: Parts of the movie almost bored me to death!

D Prince Bambam

Reviewer: Linda (Age: 11) Rating: ★★★★★

Summary: This was a good movie about an evil witch who wants to rule the magical world. Two brothers, their sister and their cousin are trying to ...

Likes: I love stories about witches. I liked it so much I went out and bought the book the next day.

Dislikes: I thought there were too many battles.

Example: Which movie ... is also a book?
... is about an animal?

The correct answer is D. (A) (B) (C) ●

The correct answer is C. (A) (B) ● (D)

Parts 2, 3, & 4: In each part, there is a different passage followed by five questions. There are 15 questions in total. Choose the answer from A, B, C, or D based on the information given in each passage.

Example: Noah Webster was born in Connecticut. He graduated from college there in 1778. He wanted to study law, but he could not afford it. Instead, he took a job as a teacher at an elementary school in West Hartford to support himself and his family. Teaching made him realize that what he really wanted to do was to teach children.

What is true about Noah Webster?

- A He worked as a teacher.
- B He came from a rich family.
- C He was born in West Hartford.
- D He graduated from law school.

The correct answer is A. ● (B) (C) (D)

- 31** I would like to buy the dress but I don't have
A a little money
B some money
C enough money
D too little money
- 32** That man be Ryan! He's in Venezuela this week.
A can't
B won't
C mustn't
D shouldn't
- 33** If you found someone's cell phone, you give it back?
A did
B do
C will
D would
- 34** This time next week I my 30th birthday.
A will be celebrated
B will be celebrating
C have been celebrated
D have been celebrating
- 35** Do you have something colorful?
A less
B least
C lesser
D the least
- 36** You haven't told Ray what Tom said, ?
A did you
B have you
C didn't you
D haven't you
- 37** My parents always take us on long car trips when we were kids.
A did
B used
C would
D should
- 38** We continued the project as we
A told
B are told
C were told
D have been told
- 39** The vacation was over
A unbelievable quick
B unbelievably quick
C unbelievable how quickly
D unbelievably quickly
- 40** When I leave college, I some volunteer work abroad.
A do
B am doing
C would do
D am going to do
- 41** Some people have always been jealous my success.
A of
B for
C with
D about
- 42** The policeman asked us anything.
A we had seen
B had we seen
C if we had seen
D that we had seen
- 43** The builders finished our house.
A have still not
B still have not
C have not still
D still not have

- 44 I can't find Jayne's glasses. Are those ?
 A her
 B she
 C hers
 D of her
- 45 Did you really stay up so late last night?
 A must
 B had to
 C have to
 D must have
- 46 They offered me a pay raise I turned it down.
 A but
 B yet
 C for
 D nor
- 47 That is the end of the lecture anyone has questions.
 A and
 B when
 C unless
 D except
- 48 Did your father you stories every night when you were a child?
 A use to tell
 B used to tell
 C used to telling
 D get used to telling
- 49 is essential for life on earth.
 A Water
 B A water
 C The water
 D Much water
- 50 By the time we got to the beach, the sun
 A disappearing
 B has disappeared
 C had disappeared
 D was to disappear
- 51 I am beginning to understand Twitter.
 A to use
 B to using
 C using
 D how to use
- 52 We got home late because we stopped a burger along the way.
 A eating
 B to eat
 C for eating
 D that we eat
- 53 closest friends have already moved out of town.
 A My all
 B Each of the
 C All of my
 D Every one
- 54 I was worried about you. You called me sooner!
 A can have
 B must have
 C should have
 D would have
- 55 Finally, you're here! I for over an hour!
 A wait
 B am waiting
 C was waiting
 D have been waiting

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- 56 If you pasta in water for too long, it gets too soft.
A fry
B boil
C bake
D roast
- 57 Pandas usually only have babies in their habitat.
A natural
B physical
C ordinary
D environmental
- 58 I find it difficult to new friends in the town we have moved to.
A get
B take
C form
D make
- 59 You should always wear a helmet to head injuries.
A avoid
B reject
C escape
D exclude
- 60 Would you like to work or study in country?
A an external
B a foreign
C a strange
D an outside
- 61 My name is Michael but you can me Mike.
A call
B term
C name
D address
- 62 Heating costs are included in the of the apartment.
A let
B fee
C fare
D rent
- 63 My uncle is a language teacher but he works as an interpreter.
A skilled
B learned
C qualified
D experienced
- 64 First, take a bus to the Main Station, then to the subway there.
A adjust
B change
C replace
D exchange
- 65 I fell down in the hallway and now my knee
A hurts
B pains
C injures
D troubles
- 66 The sign on the elevator says it is out of
A use
B work
C order
D function
- 67 Excuse me, where could I on these jeans?
A try
B test
C take
D check
- 68 The author devoted several of his book to describing recent world events.
A capitals
B chapters
C divisions
D headings
- 69 What is the average for workers in the European Union?
A salary
B money
C earning
D payment

- 70** I know her comments were negative, but what did she say?
- A truly
 - B actually
 - C practically
 - D realistically
- 71** In our restaurant, service charges are in the check.
- A involved
 - B enclosed
 - C included
 - D contained
- 72** You can get refreshments during the
- A gap
 - B space
 - C pause
 - D intermission
- 73** There was no winner. The soccer game ended in a
- A tie
 - B score
 - C balance
 - D goal
- 74** It is really hot in here. Can we the heating, please?
- A take off
 - B put out
 - C turn off
 - D close up
- 75** I cannot listening to heavy metal. It is too noisy.
- A stop
 - B help
 - C stand
 - D prefer
- 76** Sean decided to music classes. He wants to learn to play the guitar.
- A take
 - B pass
 - C study
 - D practice
- 77** Our flight has been It will leave in three hours from now.
- A waited
 - B delayed
 - C departed
 - D cancelled
- 78** My mother often upset when she watches the news.
- A gets
 - B rises
 - C turns
 - D changes
- 79** Do you want a one-way ticket or a -trip ticket?
- A two
 - B back
 - C circle
 - D round
- 80** If you'd like to an appointment, please leave a message after the tone.
- A do
 - B set
 - C take
 - D make

Part 1

The following passages are advertisements for vacation packages.

A ACTION AND ADVENTURE

Adrenaline Camp offers everyone a chance to live their wildest dreams. Activities range from swimming and water polo to waterskiing, from rock climbing to caving, from skateboarding to parachuting. Due to the potential risks involved, you have to be over 18 to take part. Guests stay in army-style tents, or they can bring their own tents as a cheaper alternative. You can book 7-day and 14-day packages from June to late September. Buffet breakfast and dinner are included. We offer discounts for groups of six or more.

B SUN, SAND AND SEA

Get away from it all! Relax in style at the Vistamare Seaside Complex. The Complex offers two five-star hotels, featuring all-inclusive packages. There are two indoor and three outdoor pools, a Jacuzzi, as well as tennis and beach volleyball courts. These are all free of charge to hotel residents. The public beach is only 300 meters away, with an excellent beach café, and sunbeds for rent. There are no set dates. You can select your own arrival and departure dates between May and September.

C OLD WORLD TOUR

Explore seven amazing cities in fourteen days, all year round. Travel by air-conditioned luxury bus. Stay in charming budget hotels in the downtown area of each destination. With us, you can experience the heart of Europe. Packages feature seven days' budget hotel accommodation and breakfast, and overnight bus travel. Call us to find out available dates. We also offer walking tours of each city with expert local guides, and museum and restaurant coupons that give you a 20% discount off their advertised prices.

D LANGUAGE CAMP VACATION

Do you want to have a fun vacation and learn a foreign language? Do you want to make friends from different countries? You can do this at the Multiglot International Language Camp! Choose from English, German, Spanish or Mandarin courses, from one week to a whole month. Test and select your level and you are ready to begin. We offer self-catering student hostel accommodation for ages up to 21. The hostel has its own swimming pool! Places are available for July and August only.

Which package ...

- | | |
|---|---|
| 81 can be booked for a vacation in April? | 86 allows you to start your vacation any time you prefer? |
| 82 does not include morning meals in the price? | 87 specifies a minimum age limit? |
| 83 gives you a cheaper price if you travel with more than five friends? | 88 mentions lots of physical activity |
| 84 involves traveling at night? | 89 offers luxury accommodations? |
| 85 does not offer swimming? | 90 involves studying? |

Part 2

This blog entry is about the role of sports.

Governments around the world spend a lot of money on sports. They organize spectacular sporting events that bring fame to their countries. However, many people claim that this money is not well spent. Most of the investment goes into supporting professional sports, and there is little focus on sports education for children and the promotion of sports to the general public. If our goal is a healthy and fit society, this must change.

There is certainly some truth in the claim that the achievements of professional athletes can motivate younger generations to follow their example. Many sports fans start playing their favorite sport because of their hero's achievements. However, I believe that professionals should support themselves through the money they earn. They should raise the money they need from advertising and sponsorship and not be paid using public funds. Governments should stop spending money on building expensive sports facilities that only a small group of rich athletes can use. I am not saying these should not be built, but only those who will benefit from them should pay for **them**.

On the other hand, a growing number of people, including myself, would prefer to see an increase in the money spent on developing sports facilities in schools. Some money should also be spent on the further training of gym teachers. To this, I would also add the development and maintenance of sports facilities in small towns and urban communities. For example, every neighborhood should have a soccer field, basketball court or athletics center, where people can go and exercise after school or work.

My belief is that more people will take up and enjoy sports if they can do them in an inspiring, well-maintained environment. And the more people playing sports for fun, the healthier and fitter our society will become.

- 91 Why does the author say government money is not well spent?
 - A sporting events are too expensive
 - B professional athletes are paid too much
 - C not enough is spent on sports education
 - D more should be spent on sports fans
- 92 How does the author say professional athletes help young people?
 - A Their successes inspire young people to play sports.
 - B They support young people through sponsorships.
 - C They help advertise sports to sports fans.
 - D They help pay for sports facilities.
- 93 What does 'them' in the final line of paragraph 2 refer to?
 - A public funds
 - B governments
 - C expensive sports facilities
 - D rich athletes
- 94 What is implied about gym teachers?
 - A They are not well trained.
 - B They only focus on team sports.
 - C They are not well paid.
 - D There are not enough of them.
- 95 What is the author's main point?
 - A More money should be spent on sports education.
 - B Sports facilities for the general public should be improved.
 - C Training of people teaching sports should be increased.
 - D Exercising after work or school should be inspiring.

Part 3

The following passage is an e-mail.

Hi Sonya,

How did your big day go? I'm so sorry I couldn't be there! Congratulations, and lots of happiness to both of you! I think you're really lucky – Adam is an amazing guy. There's a little something in the mail for you both. You should receive it in a week or so. Hope you'll like it. If not, just blame my ridiculous taste! But I've known you for ages so perhaps I won't get it completely wrong.

Unfortunately, London is just too far away from the Caribbean for a weekend trip! I've already used up almost all my vacation time for this year so there was no way I could get away. Next Thursday will be my first anniversary on board the Majestic. I think my colleagues are organizing a surprise party. They don't know I suspect anything, but there are signs. They always start whispering when I walk past them. Hope I won't be too tired to enjoy it. I've been working hard the past few months. A lot more than usual.

In December we got a new boss, Matija. He's Serbian, but his English is excellent. He worked on another ship before. He seems fair, but much more demanding than Deborah used to be. I miss her occasionally. We always got along really well. I'm not sure Matija likes me very much.

Oh, I forgot to tell you the best news. You remember my cousin, Anita? She'll be transferred to the Majestic as well, so we'll be working together from May. Well, not together because, obviously, I'm in the restaurant, and she's an accountant, but you know what I mean. I can't wait! She has always been my favorite relative. And this whole cruise ship thing was her idea in the first place, so I guess, Anita's the reason I couldn't be there last weekend! Anyway, I have to go now. The kitchen is just getting busy with the evening meal. I'm going to make Beef Stroganoff – and I hope it will impress Matija, too!

Take care,
Lia

- 96** What can be inferred about Sonya?
- A She finds Lia's tastes very amusing.
 - B She celebrated her birthday without Lia.
 - C She has known Adam for a very long time.
 - D She and Adam recently got married.
- 97** Why is Lia in the Caribbean?
- A She traveled there for vacation from Europe.
 - B She works on a cruise ship there.
 - C She is celebrating her first wedding anniversary.
 - D It was a surprise from her colleagues.
- 98** Why does Lia say she is worried about the party?
- A She might not be able to enjoy it.
 - B The others might discover she knows about it.
 - C Organizing it involves a lot of hard work.
 - D People might talk behind her back.
- 99** What is Lia's opinion of her ex-boss Deborah?
- A She thinks she was too demanding.
 - B She liked having her as a boss.
 - C She believes she was always fair.
 - D She thinks Deborah didn't like her.
- 100** What is Lia looking forward to?
- A Cooking the evening meal.
 - B Getting a weekend off.
 - C Seeing her cousin Anita.
 - D Impressing her boss.

Part 4

This passage is about predictions.

People have always made predictions about the future – some more accurately than others. Most people were fascinated by the year 2000. **Why?** Perhaps because it was incorrectly identified as the turn of the millennium, but in fact, 2000 was the last year of the second millennium, not the first year of the third. Or maybe it's just because it seemed attractive as a nice round number.

Looking back from the 21st century, it is interesting to see which predictions for 2000 have come true and which were off the mark entirely. An article in a ladies' magazine in 1900, for example, correctly suggested that heating would be supplied to many people's homes from a distance. They predicted air travel would become more common and that technology would allow us to view events happening on the other side of the globe. However, they also hoped that annoying insects like flies and mosquitos would disappear completely.

Fifty years later, in the magazine *Popular Mechanics*, an article described the online shopping experience with amazing accuracy – except for the fact that they imagined we would use televisions rather than computers. On the other hand, the same article speculated that people would stop washing dishes after meals. They believed we would simply dissolve our dirty plastic plates with chemicals.

Science fiction authors wrote about the future for a living. Some turned out to be quite adept at predictions. Robert Heinlein wrote about phones that people could carry in their bags as early as 1952. Arthur C. Clarke described satellite communication systems in 1945. In 1974, Clarke wrote that by 2000 most people would have computers at home, connected to each other and to all the information available. He did not invent the Internet, of course, but he imagined it.

- 101** What does the author claim is not true about the year 2000?
- A It was the beginning of a new millennium.
 - B Most people found the year fascinating.
 - C Round numbers appeal to many people.
 - D Events for 2000 were predicted.
- 102** Why does the author ask **why** in the first paragraph?
- A to show he does not agree that 2000 was a special year
 - B to introduce reasons for people's interest in 2000
 - C to explain why some predictions were accurate
 - D to point out that 2000 was the start of the new millennium
- 103** What did the 1900 article make an incorrect prediction about?
- A how people would heat their homes
 - B the popularity of air travel
 - C being able to view distant events
 - D the disappearance of some species
- 104** What does the author find amazing about the *Popular Mechanics* article?
- A the way it suggested we would wash dishes
 - B the way it predicted how people would shop
 - C what role it suggested television would play
 - D how common it believed computers would become
- 105** Which of these predictions does the author attribute to Arthur C. Clarke?
- A portable telephones
 - B dishwashers
 - C the Internet
 - D computers



END OF THE GVR SECTION. DO NOT TURN TO THE NEXT SECTION.

Writing Section Instructions

This part of the test consists of two writing tasks. **You must do both tasks.** Your writing will be assessed on the following criteria: the development and organization of the points given for each task, the range and accuracy of the language used, and the connection between sentences and paragraphs. **You have 50 minutes to complete both tasks.**

Task 1

Your friend from the Netherlands has just written to you about an amazing meal she had at a friend's house. In her e-mail, she asked you about the most memorable meal you have ever had. Write an e-mail to your friend telling her about the meal you remember.

You must develop briefly **all** of the following points:

- Describe the occasion and the setting
- Describe the dishes you had
- Explain what you found most memorable about the meal
- Ask her if she ever cooks for her friends

You should start your e-mail with: *Dear Lotte,*

You should finish your e-mail with: *Talk soon,
(your name)*

Your e-mail should be 80 - 100 words.



Task 2

You have just read the following competition announcement in a magazine. Write an e-mail to the editor of the magazine describing the role of technology in your life.

You must develop briefly **all** of the following points:

- Describe what forms of technology you use
- Describe how you feel about various forms of technology
- Say why you feel this way about technology
- Say how you hope technology will change your life in the future

You should start your e-mail with: *Dear editor,*

You should finish your e-mail with: *Best wishes,
(your name)*

Your e-mail should be 80 - 100 words.

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