

MINI-TEST FOR LISTENING COMPREHENSION

PARTS 1, 2, 3, AND 4

Part 1: Photographs

Directions: You will see a photograph. You will hear four statements about the photograph. Choose the statement that most closely matches the photograph and fill in the corresponding oval on your answer sheet.

When reading the audioscripts for Parts 1 and 2, allow a 5-second pause between each question.

1. Look at the photo marked number 1 in your test book.
 - (A) The officer is at the controls.
 - (B) Guests are tasting the appetizers.
 - (C) The men are working at the buffet.
 - (D) They are in charge of the bus.
2. Look at the photo marked number 2 in your test book.
 - (A) The sheep are in the meadow.
 - (B) Water gathered around the bucket.
 - (C) Most of the votes are headed in.
 - (D) The ship is leaving the harbor.
3. Look at the photo marked number 3 in your test book.
 - (A) They wrote the check in the bank.
 - (B) The trees are by the flowers.
 - (C) The hall is very large.
 - (D) The passengers are on the plane.
4. Look at the photo marked number 4 in your test book.
 - (A) The studio is cluttered.
 - (B) The announcer is leading a panel.
 - (C) The man is holding a headset.
 - (D) The flipchart contains the data.
5. Look at the photo marked number 5 in your test book.
 - (A) The operator pushes a button.
 - (B) The man is fixing the elevator.
 - (C) He's putting a button on his shirt.
 - (D) Stocks are going up.
6. Look at the photo marked number 6 in your test book.
 - (A) They're boarding the plane.
 - (B) They're entering a building.
 - (C) They're watching a parade.
 - (D) They're holding construction plans.
7. Look at the photo marked number 7 in your test book.
 - (A) The wires carry electricity.
 - (B) The laundry hangs from poles.
 - (C) The light fixtures are tall.
 - (D) The polls are open for the election.
8. Look at the photo marked number 8 in your test book.
 - (A) The jewels are in the safe.
 - (B) The woman works with her hands.
 - (C) The optician is grinding lenses.
 - (D) The woman saws metal.
9. Look at the photo marked number 9 in your test book.
 - (A) The nurses are administering medication.
 - (B) There are two purses at the reception desk.
 - (C) The pharmacists are conferring.
 - (D) The nurses are in front of the window.
10. Look at the photo marked number 10 in your test book.
 - (A) She's holding out a newspaper.
 - (B) She's writing a paper.
 - (C) She's reading to the man.
 - (D) She's serving a wafer.

Part 2: Question-Response

Directions: You will hear a question and three possible responses. Choose the response that most closely answers the question and fill in the corresponding oval on your answer sheet.

11. You live on Third Avenue, don't you?
 - (A) About five o'clock.
 - (B) Yes, on Third Avenue.
 - (C) In ten minutes.
12. Why are you late?
 - (A) My watch stopped.
 - (B) I ate already.
 - (C) I'll call you later.
13. Who are you waiting for?
 - (A) I've lost a lot of weight.
 - (B) I don't know the way.
 - (C) My wife; she is meeting me here.
14. It's supposed to rain later.
 - (A) I received the letter.
 - (B) Then I'll wear my raincoat.
 - (C) That train is always late.
15. Which chair is yours?
 - (A) Mine is the one on the left.
 - (B) We need to cheer loudly.
 - (C) This exam is not fair.
16. When did he arrive?
 - (A) By train.
 - (B) Shortly after lunch.
 - (C) In the mail.
17. How long have you worked here?
 - (A) Only for a few months.
 - (B) I work on Tuesdays.
 - (C) She can't hear if you sing along.
18. Where did you park your car?
 - (A) In the darkroom.
 - (B) The park is easy to get to.
 - (C) In the lot across the street.
19. What should I do now?
 - (A) Why don't you make some coffee?
 - (B) The wood is on the fire.
 - (C) You were the first one here.
20. The meeting starts at ten, doesn't it?
 - (A) The meat is frozen.
 - (B) The car won't start.
 - (C) At 10 A.M. sharp.
21. I don't like the color of these walls.
 - (A) We could repaint them.
 - (B) I enjoyed the ballgame.
 - (C) He makes too many calls.
22. How large is your company?
 - (A) It's about ten inches.
 - (B) It's as big as a penny.
 - (C) We have offices in ten countries.
23. Where would you like to eat?
 - (A) Let's go to an Italian restaurant.
 - (B) The heat is very bad in here.
 - (C) I always eat at eight.
24. Why is there no electricity today?
 - (A) I prefer to cook with gas.
 - (B) The power company shut it off for an hour.
 - (C) The elections are Saturday.
25. I'm going to the bank after lunch.
 - (A) I'm very hungry.
 - (B) Thank him for me, too.
 - (C) Would you cash a check for me?

Part 3 Conversations

Directions: You will hear a conversation between two people. You will see three questions on each conversation and four possible answers. Choose the best answer to each question and fill in the corresponding oval on your answer sheet.

Questions 26 through 28 refer to the following conversation.

Man: This should be a fun evening for us. I've been looking forward to seeing the play.

Woman: Me too, though the reviews haven't been that good.

Man: It's nice to get out anyhow. We should get going soon. It's already after six.

Woman: You're right. The play doesn't start till seven, but with all this rain, the driving's sure to be slow.

26. What are the speakers going to do?
27. What time do they have to be there?
28. What is the weather?

Questions 29 through 31 refer to the following conversation.

Woman: We have to go over the plans for the conference. Can we meet for lunch sometime this week? There's a nice café near my office.

Man: What about Friday? I'm busy all the rest of the week.

Woman: That's the one day I can't. It'll have to be next week. Tuesday?

Man: Tuesday'll be fine, but let's meet at my office. We can order in some food to eat while we work.

29. What does the woman want to discuss at the meeting?
30. When will the speakers meet?
31. Where will the speakers meet?

Questions 32 through 34 refer to the following conversation.

Man: I'd like to exchange this shirt. It's too small.

Woman: Let's see. This is size sixteen. Do you want to try eighteen?

Man: Yes, that sounds right. I want the same color though, and the same style, if possible.

Woman: Long sleeve, blue, yes we can do that.

32. Why is the man exchanging the shirt?
33. What size shirt does the man want?
34. What color shirt does he want?

Questions 35 through 37 refer to the following conversation.

Woman: Are you going to New York or Paris this fall?

Man: Neither. I want to spend my vacation some place warmer. I was thinking about Florida.

Woman: What about Hawaii? It's always warm there, even in the fall and winter.

Man: Yes, but that's far to go for just one week, don't you think?

Woman: One week is all you get? Wow! I get three weeks vacation at my job.

35. When does the man have his vacation?
36. Where does the woman suggest he go?
37. How many weeks is the man's vacation?

Questions 38 through 40 refer to the following conversation.

Man: Did I get any calls while I was in the meeting this morning?

Woman: Yes, there were seven. I left the messages on your desk for you.

Man: Thanks. I'll take care of them. Could you bring me a purchase order form, please? There're some in the supply closet.

38. Where was the man this morning?
39. How many messages did he get?
40. What does he want the woman to do?

Part 4: Talks

Directions: You will hear a talk given by a single speaker. You will see three questions on each talk, each with four possible answers. Choose the best answer to each question and fill in the corresponding oval on your answer sheet.

Questions 41 through 43 refer to the following weather report.

Man: At six A.M. the temperature at National Airport is 53 degrees. Today's forecast calls for rain early in the morning with skies clearing by noon. The rest of the day will be seasonably mild with winds developing in the evening.

41. What is the current temperature?
42. What should people take to work in the morning?
43. When will the weather clear up?

Questions 44 through 46 refer to the following announcement.

Man: Due to the extremely hot weather, the electric company is planning to turn off power in certain districts during the day. This will reduce the total demand for electricity and prevent a city-wide shutdown of electrical services. Power will not be out longer than two hours in your area. For further information, please visit our Web site at *www dot electricity dot com*. All areas affected by the shutdown are listed there, as well as the times that the power will be turned off in each area.

44. Why is power being turned off?
45. How long will power be off?
46. How can a customer get more information?

Questions 47 through 49 refer to the following announcement.

Man: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. This is your cruise director speaking. It's 7:30 and it's a beautiful day at sea. We have a lot planned for you both on ship and on shore. The first shore excursion will depart from the Main Deck at 9 A.M. Anyone wishing to go ashore at this time should report to the lounge for a ticket. Enjoy your breakfast.

47. Where does this announcement take place?
48. What is required for the first excursion?
49. What time will the first excursion begin?

Questions 50 through 52 refer to the following advertisement.

Man: Are you tired of getting up to turn off the television? Tired of getting up to turn down the radio? Turn on the video recorder? Our new remote control will let you operate any electronic appliance in your home from a comfortable chair. Call our toll-free number for more information. No sales personnel will call your home. Call us today and receive absolutely free with no obligation a sample subscription to *Remote Review Magazine*. Offer good until the end of this month.

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