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Practice Tests

Listening TEST 1



The listening section of the test (items 1-30) is divided into 4 parts. Instructions and examples are provided at the beginning of each part. All conversations and questions will be heard only once.

PART 1

In this part of the listening text (items 1-10), you will hear 10 questions or short statements. You will hear each question or statement only once. You must choose the correct answer.

EXAMPLE **You hear:** What did you do on the weekend?
You read: A. On Saturday.
B. I worked.
C. It was sunny.

The correct answer is **B**.
Are there any questions?
Now we will start Part 1 of the Listening Test.

- A. Yes, thanks.
B. I had the flu.
C. Today is better.
- A. Please bring them.
B. On the top shelf.
C. Thank you.
- A. The one down the street.
B. She's going now.
C. Jane is.
- A. I heard it.
B. No, what happened?
C. Sorry, I didn't hear.
- A. It was very good.
B. I'll bring it tomorrow.
C. No, I'm still reading it.
- A. My brother is here.
B. I have two.
C. He's the one wearing red.
- A. Only once.
B. I went yesterday.
C. I have internet.
- A. It sounds interesting.
B. In the cinema.
C. A bit boring.
- A. Why was she?
B. She looks nice.
C. I'm not sure.
- A. I have a question.
B. I'll help.
C. Yes, please.

PART 2

In this part of the listening test (items 11-19), you will hear 9 short phone messages on an answering machine. After each message, you will hear a question. You must choose the correct answer to the question from the 3 answer choices. You will hear each message only once.

EXAMPLE **You hear:** Hello Marta. Can you please call the office as soon as possible? We need Mr. Smith's file, and no one can find it. Do you have it with you?
You hear: What are they looking for?

You read: A. Marta
B. Mr. Smith
C. a file

The correct answer is **C**. Are there any questions?
Now get ready to listen to the phone messages.

- A. To rent a video.
B. To return a video.
C. To phone him back.
- A. To meet in the afternoon.
B. To go shopping together.
C. To find out where Tina is.
- A. An appointment.
B. A special offer.
C. A delivery.
- A. Call Mr. Jones.
B. Go to the meeting.
C. Call the office.
- A. Meet Stephanie.
B. Rent a room.
C. Study at the University.
- A. To make an appointment.
B. To re-schedule an appointment.
C. To cancel an appointment.

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17. **A. Pick up a book.**
 B. Return a book.
 C. Call the library.

18. **A. A meal.**
B. A plumber.
 C. News about Teresa.

19. **A. Call her.**
 B. Go to the cinema.
C. Come to her house.

PART 3

In this part of the listening text (items 20-25) you will hear a conversation in three parts. After each part, you will hear two comprehension questions, which are also written in your test booklet. You must choose the correct answer from the three choices, A, B, or C. You will hear each part only once.

EXAMPLE

You will hear a woman asking for information and then booking a train journey.

Example: You hear:

M: Hello, how can I help you?

W: I need to travel from Seattle, Washington to Portland, Oregon, and I'd like some information on the train times and prices.

M: Well, what day are you thinking of traveling?

You read: What is the woman looking for?

- A.** the train
B. information
C. Portland

The correct answer is **B**. Are there any questions? Now get ready to listen to the conversation.

Now listen to the conversation.

20. What day does the woman prefer to travel?

- A. Monday**
 B. Tuesday
 C. Saturday

21. How many trains run each day?

- A. one**
B. three
 C. four

22. On what day is a ticket available at 8:30?

- A. Sunday**
 B. Monday
 C. Tuesday

23. At what time will the woman travel?

- A. 8:30**
B. 12:10
 C. 3:00

24. How much will the woman pay?

- A. 8 dollars and 30 cents**
 B. 27 dollars
C. 35 dollars

25. What can the woman do to save money next time?

- A. fly**
 B. travel on Sunday
C. plan ahead

Listening



PART 4

In this part of the listening test (items 26-30) you will hear a short talk. You will hear the talk only once. You may take notes as you listen. After the talk, you will hear 5 questions which are also written in your test booklet. You must choose the correct answer.

EXAMPLE

You are going to listen to someone speaking about the Mall of America to a tour group.

Example: You hear:

Good morning everyone! Today our tour is taking you to the Mall of America, America's biggest shopping mall. While we are here on the bus, I'll tell you a bit about the mall, then when we arrive you're free to

explore on your own. But remember, everyone needs to meet back at the bus by 6pm.

You read: Where are the people now?

- A. At a mall
- B. On a bus
- C. In a hotel

The correct answer is **B**. Are there any questions? Now get ready to listen to the talk.

26. On what level are the Guest Service Desks?

- A. Level 1
- B. Level 2
- C. Level 3

27. What can you pick up at the Service Desk?

- A. A shopping cart
- B. A free gift
- C. A map

28. If you get tired of walking you can rent what?

- A. An electric cart
- B. A shopping cart
- C. A taxi

29. How many miles is it to walk around the mall?

- A. 5.2
- B. 4.3
- C. 2.5

30. How many movie screens are in the mall?

- A. 10
- B. 14
- C. 50

Grammar

PART 1

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

- Example:** A. We will be leaving B. We will leave
 C. We will be there D. We left there

... until eight o'clock

The correct answer is C.

31. A. I will
 B. I have
 C. I must
 D. I should
 to get milk at the supermarket.
32. A. This is the girl
 B. It was this movie
 C. This is the place
 D. It's this puppy
 who I saw yesterday.
33. A. Do you hear
 B. Are you hearing
 C. Did you heard
 D. Did you hear
 what happened to Paul?
34. A. Very much
 B. There are many people
 C. The most people
 D. Many people
 go on vacation in August.
35. A. Am I having
 B. Do I have
 C. Could I have
 D. Will I have
 a lift in your car, please?
36. A. Which time
 B. What time
 C. When it
 D. How much time
 is your flight leaving tomorrow?
37. A. Maybe
 B. Whenever
 C. All the time
 D. Always
 she sees a sad movie, Jodie cries.
38. A. Have you ever
 B. Do you ever
 C. You ever
 D. Haven't ever
 bought anything on the internet?
39. A. He is more
 B. He is most
 C. He was as
 D. He is the most
 outgoing than his brother.
40. A. They are worried
 B. They are worrying
 C. They were worried
 D. They will worry
 when they read about the murder, last night.

Grammar



PART 2

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

Diane: Did you hear in the news yesterday (41)..... the big oil spill?
John: No, where (42)..... it happen?
Diane: In Alaska. In the northern part, in a place (43)..... the North Slope.
John: There's a National Park up (44)....., isn't there? How did it happen?
Diane: A big pipeline broke and nobody noticed. I (45)..... it's one of the biggest spills ever. I can't remember if it's in the National Park or not but they mentioned it in the news report.
John: This is pretty bad. I think the whole area is (46)..... important wilderness area. I wish people would stop doing things like this.
Diane: I know (47)..... you mean, but it's not so simple. We need the oil for (48)..... cars and airplanes. We all need to get to work and want to go on vacation.
John: Yes, I know. But it still makes me feel bad. Have you (49) been to Alaska?
Diane: No, but I'd like (50) What about you?
John: I've never been but my parents have.

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| 41. A. for
B. about | C. upon
D. with |
| 42. A. can
B. does | C. was
D. did |
| 43. A. call
B. calling | C. called
D. calls |
| 44. A. here
B. where | C. there
D. when |
| 45. A. thought
B. thinks | C. thinking
D. think |
| 46. A. an
B. the | C. a
D. very |
| 47. A. that
B. what | C. how
D. where |
| 48. A. ours
B. we're | C. these
D. our |
| 49. A. ever
B. never | C. once
D. somewhere |
| 50. A. go
B. to go | C. to have gone
D. to have |

PART 3

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

The US President is facing a rebellion (51)..... his policies on climate change.

Nine states are about (52)..... an agreement setting Kyoto-style limits on greenhouse gas emissions from power stations. The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative will force power stations to cut their CO₂ emissions. They can (53)..... do this by installing new cleaner technology, or (54)..... buying CO₂ allowances from other companies who have cut their CO₂ emissions beyond the target. Because of this, there (55)..... money to be made for firms that clean up their act.

And in California, the Governor is going ahead (56)..... legislation to force vehicle manufacturers to cut greenhouse gas (57)..... by a third within a decade - he is not so much guiding the market (58) he is holding it in an arm-lock. If the legislation survives legal challenges, other US states will follow California's lead.

It is all (59) despite the US President's (60)..... of the Kyoto climate protocol, which he said would cost American jobs.

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| 51. A. with
B. by | C. of
D. over |
| 52. A. signing
B. signed | C. to sign
D. sign |
| 53. A. also
B. either | C. both
D. or |
| 54. A. from
B. in | C. about
D. by |
| 55. A. will be
B. are | C. was
D. is being |
| 56. A. for
B. on | C. in
D. with |
| 57. A. emitting
B. emissions | C. emissive
D. emitters |
| 58. A. as
B. more | C. and
D. by |
| 59. A. happened
B. happens | C. happening
D. to happen |
| 60. A. rejection
B. reject | C. rejecting
D. rejected |

Vocabulary

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

On a news report

- A: Now we will speak to Jodie, who has the (61)..... news for us about bird flu. Hello Jodie.
- B: Hello Mark. Today scientists (62)..... that they have found a second type of the deadly bird flu virus.
- A: A second type? What does this mean?
- B: Well, for one thing, it shows just (63)..... fast a virus can change. It also means that there is more risk now of the virus affecting people.
- A: That is (64)..... worrying.
- B: There is no (65)..... to worry yet; scientists are watching the virus very closely.

61. A. earliest
B. soonest
C. newest
D. latest
62. A. tell
B. suggest
C. report
D. inform
63. A. so
B. as
C. too
D. how
64. A. cautiously
B. certainly
C. fortunately
D. carefully
65. A. need
B. time
C. chance
D. way

In a restaurant

- A: Hello, are you ready to order?
- B: I think so. What is the special (66)..... the day?
- A: Today's specials are fresh salmon and roast beef. The soup of the day is carrot and coriander. I'd (67)..... the salmon myself, it's very good.
- B: Okay, I'll (68)..... the salmon, and I'd also like a soup please.
- A: Would you (69)..... a salad with that?
- B: No thanks, but I'd like (70)..... bread, and a glass of white wine.
- A: Certainly. It will just be a moment.

66. A. in
B. of
C. for
D. with
67. A. recommend
B. prefer
C. mention
D. attempt
68. A. give
B. cook
C. take
D. do
69. A. like
B. make
C. choose
D. need
70. A. some
B. one
C. little
D. any

In a clothing store

- A: Excuse me, (71)..... I ask you a question?
- B: Of course! How can I help you?
- A: Do you (72)..... this shirt in a smaller size?
- B: I think we only have what is on the shelves, but look, here is the (73)..... shirt in black, and in orange.
- A: I'm afraid I really liked the red one. I'm not (74)..... in the other colors. Are you sure you don't have any more in back?
- B: I'm (75)..... not, sir. But you can try our other shop down town. They might have the shirt in red.

71. A. did
B. would
C. can't
D. may
72. A. keep
B. give
C. find
D. have
73. A. better
B. same
C. one
D. other
74. A. good
B. wanting
C. interested
D. curious
75. A. afraid
B. sorry
C. sure
D. assured

Vocabulary



On the telephone

- A: Hello John, this is Rebecca. How are you?
B: I'm fine. How about you? What are you up to?
A: I'm (76)..... a party on Friday, and it would be great if you could come. It will (77)..... about six, and there will be food. I'm going to (78)..... pizza.
B: That (79)..... good, only I have to work until six, so I will be a bit late.
A: That's okay, don't worry, we'll (80)..... some food for you!

76. A. making
B. having
C. doing
D. starting
77. A. start
B. go
C. happen
D. come
78. A. do
B. fix
C. deliver
D. make
79. A. tastes
B. feels
C. sounds
D. smells
80. A. save
B. get
C. make
D. eat

At a café

- A: So, how was your weekend?
B: It was really busy, actually. I'm (81)..... my dad and I were (82)..... to buy my mother a leather coat for her birthday. It was so difficult!
A: Why was that? There are lots of leather shops around.
B: But that's the problem! There are so many coats to choose from, we couldn't (83)..... what to get her.
A: Yes, I suppose it's (84)..... enough to pick something like that for yourself. I guess it would be even more difficult to choose for someone (85).....

81. A. excited
B. exhausted
C. nervous
D. worried
82. A. wanting
B. trying
C. meaning
D. helping
83. A. know
B. tell
C. decide
D. find
84. A. clear
B. slow
C. hard
D. easy
85. A. else
B. harder
C. other
D. new

On the radio

- A: And now it's time for the traffic report! Over to you, James.
B: Thanks Mary. Today we have a big traffic (86)..... on Main Street; I think it's because all the sales are on.
A: So would you encourage people to stay (87)..... from Main Street if they possibly can?
B: That's for sure! At (88)..... if they are trying to get from point A to point B! If they're going shopping however, that's probably where they want to be.
A: Are there any other traffic hot spots?
B: No, otherwise the city is all (89)....., though there will probably be some congestion in a (90)..... hours when people start traveling home from work.

86. A. jam
B. clot
C. mess
D. flow
87. A. off
B. away
C. back
D. home
88. A. most
B. case
C. least
D. last
89. A. wide
B. unrestricted
C. full
D. clear
90. A. little
B. certain
C. some
D. few

PART 1

You are going to read a text about a system for monitoring water using fish, in two sections. Each section has answer choices from A - H. Choose the best first sentence for the paragraphs. There are three answer choices for each section you will not use.

Section 1

91. **D** A machine developed by the U.S. Army uses this hardy species, which is about the size of a human hand, to monitor water quality in New York City, San Francisco, and Washington, D.C.

92. **A** For example, they can quickly detect toxic materials such as cyanide, organic solvents, and pesticides.

93. **G** He is a biologist with the U.S. Army Center for Environmental Health Research who co-invented the bluegill system. Miners once used the health of canaries to monitor for the presence of deadly methane gas.

94. **E** Since the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, federal law has required nearly all communities to assess the vulnerability of their water supplies to terrorism or other intentional acts.

95. **B** Electrodes in the aquarium monitor the fishes' behavior. To keep the fish from being stressed or sick, they "work" for two weeks. Then the eight bluegills get a break and are fed brine shrimp to keep them happy.

- A. Unlike human-made sensors, bluegills can respond to a wide range of different chemicals.
- B. The system works by monitoring the behavior of eight bluegills that swim in tanks where water flows from reservoirs.
- C. "We considered it to be worth investigating as an additional layer of security," Michaels said.
- D. The common bluegill fish is being used to protect the drinking water of millions in the United States from terrorists and accidental contamination.
- E. The Army started development of its early-warning system about a few years ago.
- F. The push for aquatic bio monitoring first took place in Europe about 20 years ago.
- G. "It's definitely gone well beyond the 'canary in the coal mine' aspect," said Tom Shedd.
- H. Other tests - literally tens of thousands every year - are also performed to ensure terrorists can pollute drinking water.



Section 2

96. **G** These fish are highly attuned to water quality changes. During routine cleanings in the New York City and San Francisco reservoirs, they caused an alert after divers kicked up mud 40 miles away.

97. **C** Complex software analyzes the fishes' actions in reference to tank conditions such as temperature, acidity, and dissolved oxygen levels.

98. **H** When an abnormality is detected in at least six of the fish, the computer calls or emails the technician on duty. "It gets a human involved right away," said Bill Lawler of Intelligent Automation Corporation.

99. **B** A private company developed the system's software and sells the unit at a starting price of \$45,000 (U.S.).

100. **D** For example, in New York City bluegills detected a diesel leak before it got out of control.

- A. There was a great deal of competition between companies to be the first to develop this software.
- B. This cutting edge technology does not come cheap.
- C. This new system is possible because of advances in technology.
- D. There's a lot of emphasis on their ability to deter terrorism, but they are also very good for monitoring accidental chemical spills.
- E. The bio monitoring system is currently on loan from the government, but plans are underway to purchase and expand the system.
- F. In addition to fish, other aquatic creatures such as clams and daphnia are used as indicators of chemical changes.
- G. Bluegills are a sensitive species and this makes them ideal for water quality monitoring.
- H. However the system does not rely on technology alone.

Reading

PART 2

Choose A, B, C, or D to answer the questions about the four films.

The Departed**A***Fri 6 to Thu 26 Oct*

Martin Scorsese | USA 2006 | 2h30m

Cast: Leonardo DiCaprio, Matt Damon, Jack Nicholson, Martin Sheen, Mark Wahlberg, Ray Winstone, Alec Baldwin, Vera Farmiga, Anthony Anderson.

Martin Scorsese's remake of the 2002 Hong Kong police thriller *Infernal Affairs*, *The Departed* is set in South Boston, where the state police force is waging war on organized crime.

Terkel in Trouble**B***Fri 6 Oct only*

Danish with English subtitles

Stefan Fjeldmark, Thorbjørn Christoffersen & Kresten

Vestbjerg Andersen | Denmark 2004 | 1h18m |

Cast: animation

Terkel in Trouble is a side-splittingly funny satire. Terkel is an ordinary boy with braces who lives an ordinary Danish life in an ordinary Danish school. Like any teenager his family is getting him down and he's dealing with peer pressure. He's looking forward to a school field trip - until he realizes he's being stalked by an unidentified psychopath.

The Black Dahlia**C***Fri 15 Sept to Thu 12 Oct*

Brian De Palma | USA/Germany 2006 | 2h 35mm

Cast: Josh Hartnett, Scarlett Johansson, Aaron Eckhart, Hilary Swank, Mia Kirshner.

Master storyteller Brian De Palma, known for such classic crime dramas as *The Untouchables*, *Scarface* and *Carlito's Way*, directs this adaptation of James Ellroy's best-selling crime novel.

The Black Dahlia weaves a fictional tale of obsession, love, corruption, and greed around the true story of the brutal murder of a Hollywood starlet that shocked and fascinated the US in 1947.

Volver**D***Showing until Thu 19 Oct*

Spanish with English subtitles

Pedro Almodóvar | Spain 2006 | 2h1m 35mm

Cast: Penélope Cruz, Carmen Maura, Lola Dueñas, Blanca Portillo, Yohana Cobo.

The undoubted highlight of this year's Cannes Film Festival, Pedro Almodóvar returns to our screens with his latest, *Volver*, a comic melodrama.

The less said about the plot the better really - it should be a surprise. It's enough to say it's a clever tale of death, superstition, secrets and lies amongst three generations of women in the same family.

101. Which film is shown for only one day?
102. Which film is about a family of women?
103. Which film does not have real actors?
104. Which film is made only by the USA?
105. To which film would you take your teenage brother?
106. Which film is based on a true story?
107. Which film is a re-make of another film?
108. Which film would you go to if you wanted to practice understanding Spanish?
109. Which film could you go to see on the 25th October?
110. Which film was based on a novel?

A B C D

A B C D

A B C D

A B C D

A B C D

A B C D

A B C D

A B C D

A B C D

A B C D

Reading



PART 3

Five individuals are trying to choose the American city where they can spend their vacation. You work for a travel agency and you must help them to choose. Match each individual (111-115) with the city (A-H) that fits them best. There is only one answer for each question.

- 111.** Jane loves the outdoors and hates flashy hotels. She would like to be somewhere warm and she would like to learn about the history of the place she visits.
- 112.** Tom is a chef, so he likes unique foods. He works hard and would like a fun, eventful vacation where he can party and forget his job and daily routine.
- 113.** Tiffany loves American movies, and she would be thrilled to meet a movie star. She also likes shopping in trendy neighborhoods.

- 114.** Jesse would like nothing better than spending his vacation sitting in a cafe, drinking coffee, and reading a good book.
- 115.** Maria is an art student, and is interested in new art movements. She likes to visit museums whenever she goes and also to visit small galleries to speak to local people about what they are doing with their artwork.

A. Los Angeles is an ideal vacation destination for someone who loves fame. See the famous Hollywood sign, and visit the *Walk of Fame*. Go celebrity spotting in Beverly Hills and go on a tour to see where many movie stars live. And of course, visit all the famous beaches.

B. Santa Fe, New Mexico was established in 1610 and is the oldest capital city in the United States. It is located in the high desert at the base of a mountain range and is an ideal base for many outdoor activities. Before European settlement the Native American Pueblo Indians lived here, so there is a rich history.

C. Vibrant and charged with the energy of Caribbean rhythms, Miami means big-city sophistication and seductive beaches. Miami was settled by many Cuban refugees, and this has influenced the personality of the city, so if you like salsa, it is the place to go. It is a place to spend money, so don't come with a budget!

D. The ultimate big city, New York offers the biggest buildings, the biggest museums, and the most famous sites such as the Empire State Building, and the Statue of Liberty. It is a very "happening city", with a lively music and art scene, and it's where many new trends are born. There is never a boring moment.

E. New Orleans is unique. It has its own Creole cooking style, its own lifestyle, and of course the famous MardiGras festival. If you are looking for a big colorful party, this is the place to go.

F. Seattle is the birthplace of grunge music. It is also a city of coffee, with more coffee drunk than any other place in America! In fact, Starbucks was founded in Seattle, although locals prefer Seattle's many independent, arty espresso roasters and cafes. Seattle was also ranked the most literate city in America in 2005.

G. Denver Colorado is the place to visit for winter sports. It is located in the Rocky Mountains and is an ideal base for traveling between many popular ski resorts. There are plenty of flashy hotels in the center.

H. Boston is a world-class city brimming with urban and cultural pleasures, natural beauty, and so many sites of Colonial and Revolutionary history they always seem to be just an arm's length away. It is the birthplace of the American Revolution and has many museums and sites for the historian.

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| 111 | A <input type="checkbox"/> | B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | C <input type="checkbox"/> | D <input type="checkbox"/> | E <input type="checkbox"/> | F <input type="checkbox"/> | G <input type="checkbox"/> | H <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 112 | A <input type="checkbox"/> | B <input type="checkbox"/> | C <input type="checkbox"/> | D <input type="checkbox"/> | E <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | F <input type="checkbox"/> | G <input type="checkbox"/> | H <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 113 | A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | B <input type="checkbox"/> | C <input type="checkbox"/> | D <input type="checkbox"/> | E <input type="checkbox"/> | F <input type="checkbox"/> | G <input type="checkbox"/> | H <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 114 | A <input type="checkbox"/> | B <input type="checkbox"/> | C <input type="checkbox"/> | D <input type="checkbox"/> | E <input type="checkbox"/> | F <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | G <input type="checkbox"/> | H <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 115 | A <input type="checkbox"/> | B <input type="checkbox"/> | C <input type="checkbox"/> | D <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | E <input type="checkbox"/> | F <input type="checkbox"/> | G <input type="checkbox"/> | H <input type="checkbox"/> |

PART 4

Choose the correct answer choice for the questions below.

London, with its diverse communities, has a long history of welcoming refugees, but what if they come with bushy tails and a rather unpleasant smell?

The red fox has become a familiar sight in the city since arriving from the English countryside. Foxes first sought refuge in London after World War II. Since then they have swapped wild rabbits and farm chickens for a diet of discarded take-out containers and other garbage food.

Urban living clearly suits the animal, with upward of 10,000 foxes now roaming the United Kingdom's capital. That's more than enough foxes to cause a nuisance, according to some of their human neighbors. Experts estimate there are now 16 foxes for every square mile of London.

These urban foxes are noticeably bolder than their country cousins, sharing sidewalks with pedestrians and raising cubs in people's backyards. Foxes have even sneaked into the Houses of Parliament, where one was found asleep on a filing cabinet. Another broke into the grounds of Buckingham Palace, reportedly killing some of the Queen's prized pink flamingos.

Generally, however, foxes and city folk appear to get along. A survey found that 80 percent of Londoners liked having the animals around. However other Londoners say foxes are pests that dig up lawns, scatter garbage, terrify pets, and leave behind a foul scent.

116. What is true of London?
A. It contains 10, 000 inhabitants.
B. It is a bad environment for foxes.
C. It has always taken in refugees.
D. It was built up after World War II.
117. What is the regular diet of urban foxes?
A. garbage
B. chickens
C. flamingos
D. wild rabbits
118. How many foxes are there in London?
A. 16
B. less than 10,000
C. 10 per square mile
D. 16 per square mile
119. Where do urban foxes raise their families?
A. in backyards
B. along sidewalks
C. in the Houses of Parliament
D. at Buckingham Palace
120. What do 80 percent of Londoners think?
A. Foxes are pests.
B. Having foxes around is good.
C. Foxes killed the queen's flamingos.
D. Foxes and people get along.

Writing



This part of the test consists of two tasks. You have to do both tasks. You have 1 hour (60 minutes) for both tasks.

Preparation:

TASK A

Model Letter

A friend of yours has sent you a letter. Write a reply to this letter. Your letter should be about 80 to 100 words.

Hi! How are you?

I was wondering if you could give me some advice. I want to move to Greece but I don't know what part of the country I want to settle in. I like big cities and I want to be in a place that has nightlife.

I was thinking about coming in March. Is that a good time to come or should I come at a different time? I'll need to get an apartment and a job almost immediately. I am really nervous about moving to a different country; do you think this is a good idea?

Please write me back as soon as you have a chance.

Thank you!

Make sure you include the following:

- ✓ Thank him/her for the letter
- ✓ Tell him/her where they should live in Greece and why
- ✓ Give your opinion on the time of the year they should come
- ✓ Offer any other advice that might be useful to him/her
- ✓ Tell him/her that you look forward to seeing him

Model Letter

Dear Kyle,

Thank you for writing to me! It sounds like you would like living in Athens. It's a big city with a lot of bars and restaurants.

March is definitely a good time to come, because it's the beginning of spring and the weather is starting to get warm again. You can stay with me until you find an apartment and a job and I will help you search for them.

Greece is a wonderful place to live; the people are very nice and the food is excellent! I think it's a great idea to move here, but you may want to take some Greek language lessons first.

I look forward to seeing you soon!

Love,
Andrew

Exam Practice:

TASK A

Letter

After you have read the MODEL LETTER above, continue to do TASK A

A friend of yours has sent you a letter. Write a reply to this letter. Your letter should be about 80 to 100 words.

Hello, Mary!

I will be in Athens next month for work. Can I stay with you? I'm only going to be there for a week and have meetings during the day.

However, I will be free in the evenings to spend time with you if you are available.

Please write me back and tell me what you think.

Thank you!
James

Be sure to:

- Start the letter "Dear (*friend's name*),"
- Thank him/her for the letter
- Say if s/he can stay with you or not
- If s/he cannot stay with you, write why not and where s/he could stay
- Write what you think the two of you could do in the evenings
- Tell him/her you look forward to seeing them
- Close the letter "Love, (*your name*)"

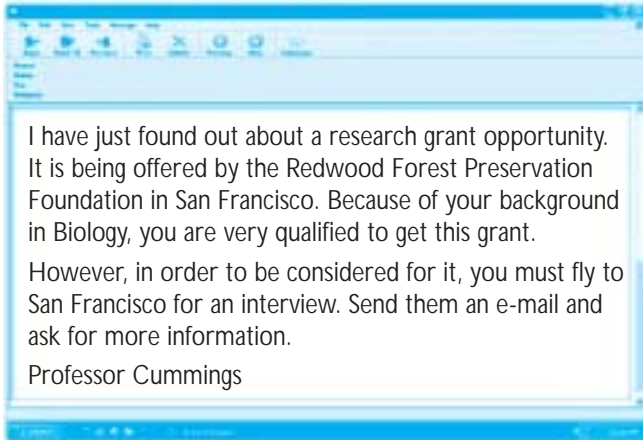
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Preparation:

TASK B

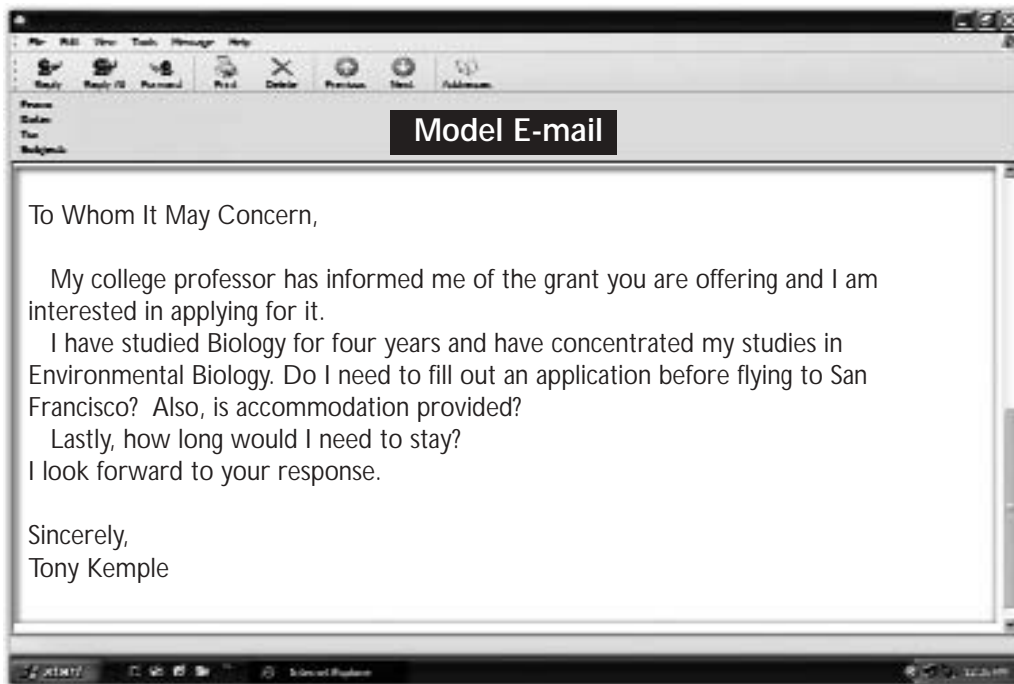
Model e-mail

Your college professor sent you the following e-mail. Send an e-mail to the Redwood Forest Preservation Foundation. The e-mail should be 50-70 words.



Make sure you include the following:

- Tell them you are interested in the grant
- Tell them you have a background in Biology
- Ask them to provide more details on how to apply (be specific, what information do you feel is missing?)
- Ask them about accommodation and how long you would stay
- Tell them you look forward to hearing from them



Exam Practice:

TASK B

E-mail

After you have read the MODEL e-mail above, continue to do TASK B

You have been selected as a final candidate for an advertising job you applied for. Write a brief e-mail to the employer to schedule a final interview. The e-mail should be 50-70 words.

WRITING TIP

E-MAIL STYLES AND CONVENTIONS

The convenience of e-mail encourages a lot of people to communicate frequently, perhaps more often than they would use other means. As e-mail is used differently from other forms of written and spoken communication, it has developed its own styles and conventions emails can be shorter and more informal than letters, especially when written between friends and colleagues. However, the style you choose to use in your e-mails depend very much on your relationship with the recipient, the reason for emailing, and how often you are in contact with that person using email.

Make sure to:

- Thank them for the opportunity
- State a date and time that you would be available
- Ask any questions you have (what information do you feel you still need to learn?)
- Tell them you look forward to hearing from them