

Section I

Listening

6 Practice Tests

Practice Test

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Listening comprehension

In this part of the test, you will have the chance to show how well you understand spoken English. There are four parts to this section, with special directions for each part.

Part I: Photographs

Directions: For each question, you will see a picture and you will hear four short statements. The statements will be spoken just one time. They will not be printed in your test book so you must listen carefully to understand what the speaker says. When you hear the four statements, look at the picture and choose the statement that best describes what you see in the picture. Choose the best answer A, B, C or D.

EXAMPLE:

Now listen to the four statements.
Statement (D) best describes what you see in the picture.
Therefore, you should choose answer (D)



- A. He is on the phone.
- B. She is driving the car.
- C. She is typing on the computer.
- D. He is sitting next to her.

Sample Answer

A		B		C		D	I
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1.	A	__	B	__	C	<u>I</u>	D	__
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2. A ___ B ___ C I D ___

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3. A I B ___ C ___ D ___

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4. A ___ B ___ C ___ D I

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5. A ___ B ___ C I D ___

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6. A I B ___ C ___ D ___

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7. A ___ B I C ___ D ___

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8. A ___ B ___ C ___ D I

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9. A ___ B I C ___ D ___

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10. A ___ B ___ C I D ___

Part 2: Question-Response

Directions: In this part of the test, you will hear a question or statement spoken in English, followed by three responses, also spoken in English. The question or statement and the responses will be spoken just one time. They will not be printed in your test book, so you must listen carefully. You are to choose the best response to each question or statement.

Now listen to a sample question.

You will hear:

Man: Why are you late?

Woman: **A.** I hope I won't be.

B. My car broke down.

C. He always is.

The best response is choice B. "My car broke down". Therefore, you should choose **B**.

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| 11 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 21 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 31 | A.... | B.... | C.... |
| 12 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 22 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 32 | A.... | B.... | C.... |
| 13 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 23 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 33 | A.... | B.... | C.... |
| 14 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 24 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 34 | A.... | B.... | C.... |
| 15 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 25 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 35 | A.... | B.... | C.... |
| 16 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 26 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 36 | A.... | B.... | C.... |
| 17 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 27 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 37 | A.... | B.... | C.... |
| 18 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 28 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 38 | A.... | B.... | C.... |
| 19 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 29 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 39 | A.... | B.... | C.... |
| 20 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 30 | A.... | B.... | C.... | 40 | A.... | B.... | C.... |

Part 3: Conversations

Directions: You will hear some conversations between two people. You will be asked to answer three questions about what the speakers say in each conversation. Select the best response to each question and mark the letter **(A)**, **(B)**, **(C)**, or **(D)** on your answer sheet. The conversations will not be printed in your test book and will be spoken only one time.

41. How does Megan feel about the presentation she will give?
(A) confident
(B) unsure
(C) terrified
(D) proud
42. What is true about Megan?
(A) She is advising Michael.
(B) She is preparing at the last minute.
(C) She is planning ahead.
(D) She has been to a lot of conferences.
43. What will happen on Friday the 5th?
(A) Michael will help Megan.
(B) Megan will give a presentation.
(C) Michael has a deadline.
(D) There is a conference.
44. What is the woman trying to do?
(A) find a summer employment
(B) get help for a disabled child
(C) offer her assistance
(D) meet Anna
45. What does the woman need to do next?
(A) come back in a few hours
(B) come back some morning
(C) try to find another place to volunteer
(D) give the man her CV
46. How could the man be best described?
(A) helpful
(B) unhelpful
(C) afraid
(D) annoyed
47. How does the woman feel?
(A) absolutely furious
(B) impatient
(C) grateful
(D) annoyed
48. Why did the man make a mistake?
(A) he was careless
(B) he did not have information
(C) to provoke the woman
(D) because the job was complex
49. Why can't the woman go on Thursday evening?
(A) Elsie told her that she must not.
(B) She will miss the meeting.
(C) She has to work.
(D) She just doesn't want to.

50. What would the woman like to be doing on the weekend?
 (A) visiting Todd
 (B) swimming
 (C) working on a computer
 (D) taking a sick day
51. What is the tone of the man's words?
 (A) angry
 (B) serious
 (C) joking
 (D) wishful
52. What is the relationship between the two speakers?
 (A) husband and wife
 (B) co-workers
 (C) employee and boss
 (D) friends
53. How could you describe the woman's attitude?
 (A) grateful
 (B) unreasonable
 (C) insecure
 (D) understanding
54. What was the purpose of the man's conversation with Ms. Johnson?
 (A) to give information
 (B) to ask for help
 (C) to get sympathy
 (D) to challenge her
55. What is the relationship between the man and Ms. Johnson?
 (A) relatives
 (B) co-workers
 (C) friends
 (D) employee and boss
56. What made the woman think Laura would like the job?
 (A) Laura's words
 (B) Laura's expression
 (C) the man told her
 (D) the disadvantages
57. What does the woman think Laura will do?
 (A) She will definitely take the job.
 (B) She will definitely not take the job.
 (C) She will probably take the job.
 (D) She will not be able to decide.
58. Why does the man think it would be hard for Laura to decide to take the job?
 (A) It is not a good position.
 (B) It is far from her family.
 (C) She is not adventurous.
 (D) She must decide quickly.
59. How did the man feel when heard about the woman's decision?
 (A) worried
 (B) frustrated
 (C) surprised
 (D) he had suspected it
60. How often does the woman think she would use the car?
 (A) every day
 (B) occasionally
 (C) constantly
 (D) very rarely
61. What does the man think is the problem with renting a car?
 (A) It would be too expensive.
 (B) It would interfere with work.
 (C) It would discourage trips.
 (D) It would be unnecessary.
62. How is the woman feeling?
 (A) angry
 (B) frightened
 (C) worried
 (D) relaxed
63. Why is the woman unhappy with her office mate?
 (A) She is obnoxious.
 (B) She doesn't answer her questions.
 (C) She doesn't start conversations.
 (D) She bothers her all the time.
64. How does the man think the woman should be?
 (A) straightforward
 (B) independent
 (C) cautious
 (D) confrontational
65. What food does the man not like?
 (A) steak
 (B) chips
 (C) salad
 (D) tomato
66. If the man doesn't eat his salad, what will happen?
 (A) He will go hungry.
 (B) He will still eat well.
 (C) He will let someone down.
 (D) It will be the end of the world.
67. How can the woman be described?
 (A) bored
 (B) indifferent
 (C) delighted
 (D) polite
68. What is the man's job?
 (A) to design things
 (B) to make things
 (C) to sell things
 (D) to invent things
69. What was the man's attitude towards his work?
 (A) He enjoyed it.
 (B) He worked hard but didn't like it.
 (C) It was not very important to him.
 (D) He was serious and practical.
70. Why is the woman speaking to the man?
 (A) to warn him about a job
 (B) to thank him for his work
 (C) to encourage him to work harder
 (D) to ask for his assistance.

Part 4: Talks

Directions: You will hear some talks given by a single speaker. You will be asked to answer three questions about what the speaker says in each talk. Select the best response to each question and mark the letter **(A)**, **(B)**, **(C)**, or **(D)** on your answer sheet. The talks will not be printed in your test book and will be spoken only one time.

71. What is the building?
(A) a factory
(B) a shop
(C) a gallery
(D) a hospital
72. What were the Bradford family?
(A) artists
(B) politicians
(C) actors
(D) fashion designers
73. Who is Charles Bradford?
(A) Alan's great grandfather
(B) someone who will open the building
(C) an artist
(D) a classical music player
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74. Where would this announcement most likely be heard?
(A) at a taxi stand
(B) at an airport
(C) at a train station
(D) on a ship
75. What time does the fast train to Atlanta leave?
(A) 11.30
(B) 11.50
(C) 10.50
(D) 11.40
76. Which platform will the Washington train leave from?
(A) six
(B) seven
(C) eleven
(D) four
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77. Who is talking?
(A) a receptionist
(B) a shop assistant
(C) a waiter
(D) a butcher
78. How many specials are there to choose from?
(A) 4
(B) 5
(C) 3
(D) 2
79. What does he not tell them about immediately?
(A) the fish
(B) the steak
(C) the desserts
(D) the salads
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80. Who is the talk directed at?
(A) campaigners
(B) radio listeners
(C) politicians
(D) astronomers
81. By what percentage has light pollution increased over the last ten years?
(A) 25%
(B) 10%
(C) 11%
(D) 5%
82. What is the next thing the listeners will hear?
(A) an astronomer
(B) Mervin
(C) music
(D) horoscopes
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83. How many films will be shown this week?
(A) three
(B) seven
(C) twelve
(D) two
84. How long is the film?
(A) half an hour
(B) an hour
(C) one and a half hours
(D) two hours
85. What will happen after the film?
(A) There will be refreshments.
(B) The director will make a speech.
(C) The actors will perform.
(D) They will go to a wine bar.

86. Where is this announcement being made?
(A) in a restaurant
(B) at a train station
(C) in a shopping mall
(D) in a supermarket
87. Where can you get something free to eat?
(A) "Kidsworld"
(B) "The Coffee Place"
(C) The bakery
(D) The supermarket
88. What time is it now?
(A) 5 pm
(B) 3 pm
(C) 4 pm
(D) 8 pm
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89. Where are they?
(A) on the plane on the runway
(B) in the airport building
(C) on the bus
(D) in a plane in the air
90. Who is speaking?
(A) a member of the ground crew
(B) a member of the cabin crew
(C) the captain
(D) a luggage handler
91. How many times will they stop before Cape Town?
(A) once
(B) three times
(C) twice
(D) not at all
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92. What is the problem?
(A) a computer is not working
(B) a computer did not arrive
(C) someone needs to find a service center
(D) a telephone is not working
93. The man speaking is
(A) on the radio
(B) at the computer
(C) at a service center
(D) on the telephone
94. What should be done first?
(A) click 'my computer' icon
(B) click 'programs' icon
(C) connect to the internet
(D) close all programs
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95. Who is most likely speaking?
(A) a store owner
(B) a radio announcer
(C) a professor
(D) someone who read a newspaper
96. What is predicted to happen in 2008?
(A) a recession
(B) the dollar will rise against the yen
(C) a housing slump
(D) interest rates will be cut
97. What accounts for two thirds of the US economy?
(A) consumer spending
(B) housing
(C) banking
(D) investment
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98. Who is being spoken to?
(A) staff at registration
(B) delegates
(C) a presenter
(D) a conference organizer
99. How many times has this conference taken place before?
(A) 4
(B) 1
(C) 0
(D) 2
100. What happens at 9am tomorrow?
(A) registration begins
(B) delegates arrive
(C) presentations begin
(D) breakfast