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# TEST 1

## Part one, part one

You will hear seven sentences twice. Choose the **best reply** to each sentence. Look at the example. (15 seconds) If you hear 'Do you know where the park is? Do you know where the park is?', the best reply is (b). Put a circle round the letter of the **best reply**.

Number one. Number one. (6 seconds) How are you today? How are you today? (10 seconds)

Number two. Number two. (6 seconds) Did you go out to dinner last night? Did you go out to dinner last night? (10 seconds)

Number three. Number three. (6 seconds)
I hear you aren't coming with us this weekend.
I hear you aren't coming with us this weekend.
(10 seconds)

Number four. Number four. (6 seconds) How long have you been waiting? How long have you been waiting? (10 seconds)

Number five. Number five. (6 seconds) Where will you go after this? Where will you go after this? (10 seconds)

Number six. Number six. (6 seconds) Why are you leaving so early? Why are you leaving so early? (10 seconds)

Number seven. Number seven. (6 seconds) Why are you angry with her? Why are you angry with her? (10 seconds) That is the end of Part One.

#### Part two, part two

You will hear three short conversations. Listen to the conversations and choose the **best answer** to the questions. Put a circle round the letter of the **best answer**. You will hear each conversation twice. Look at the questions for Conversation One. (10 seconds)

#### **Conversation One**

M: This is a very nice place. Have you been here before? W: Yes, I actually came last week with a client and loved it so much I wanted to come back.

M: The food is delicious. I want to ask them for their grilled chicken recipe!

W: You always did love food! When you were little I used to tell everyone that my little brother was going to grow up to be a famous chef

M: Well, I'm not a famous chef yet, but maybe someday! So why did you want to get dinner with me? Do you have something to tell me?

W: Yes. I'm moving. M: Moving? Where?

W: Just a few hours north. I got transferred to manager at my company's branch up there. It will be really great for my career, but it is going to be difficult moving. I've never lived anywhere but Oakdale all my life!

M: This will be so good for you though, and really you won't be going that far. You can still come to Sunday dinner at mum and dad's place.

W: I know, I know. By the way, don't tell them yet. I still haven't found the courage to break the news that I'm leaving. I think mum is going to be really sad.

M: Don't worry, they'll both be happy for you!

(Wait 10 seconds before repeating.)

(Wait 10 seconds before going onto the next conversation.) Now, look at the questions for Conversation Two. (10 seconds)

#### **Conversation Two**

W: I just got a new laptop computer.

M: That's really nice. Was it expensive? I hear John bought his for 700 pounds.

W: No, mine wasn't expensive. It was originally 600 pounds but it was on sale for 500. I thought about getting one that was even cheaper, only 400 pounds, but I decided against it. And I'm really happy with my choice!

M: What do you use your computer for?

W: Mostly work. I use a word processing programme mostly. I wanted to get some design software but it was too expensive. M: I might be able to get you some photo software for free if you're interested.

W: Yeah, sure. What do you use your computer for?
M: It depends. I love surfing the Internet and emailing my friends. I feel like I'm addicted. I can't go one day without checking my email. I also use music editing software so I can mix my own tunes!

W: You make music?

M: Yeah, sometimes. It is just a hobby of mine.

W: How interesting. Maybe I could mix my own music if I got a programme like that on my new computer.

M: Maybe. I can give it to you if you want!

(Wait 10 seconds before repeating.)

(Wait 10 seconds before going onto the next conversation.) Now, look at the questions for Conversation Three. (10 seconds)

#### **Conversation Three**

W: Excuse me, do you have this couch in white?

M: Yes, but only off-white.

W: Oh, I want bright white. Something flashy.

M: Off-white doesn't show dirt as easily as bright white, you know. But alternatively you could just purchase one of our couch covers in any colour.

W: Do you have one in bright white?

M: Oh, actually we're sold out. How about bright blue?

W: I don't think you understand me. I want a WHITE couch. Not an off-white couch and definitely not a blue couch.

M: Are you sure you want white? You'll be washing your couch cover every other day.

W: I understand that you don't like white couches, but I do. Now, do you have anything?

M: Well we don't have a couch or a couch cover in bright white to fit this couch, but we do have that couch over there in white.

W: Does it also have a white couch cover?

M: Yes, it does.

W: Thank you, I'll take it.

(Wait 10 seconds before repeating.) (10 seconds) That is the end of Part Two.

# Part three, part three

Listen to the person talking. Complete the information on the notepad. Write **short** answers of one to three words. Look at the notepad. The first one is an example. (20 seconds) You will hear the person twice.

Hello listeners! A very good evening to you all! This is Brad of the "Brad and Andy Show" speaking. If you are a regular listener, you will be familiar with our phone-in competitions. These are a very popular feature of our show and listeners will not be disappointed with the next competition that we have organised. Well, this month we have a very special contest that we will be hosting. As you all know, Mother's Day is approaching fast, so in honour of Mother's Day and to show our mums how important they are to us, we're asking our listeners to call in and tell us, in 100 words or less, why their mum is special. We know how special your mum is to you, but please do not exceed the maximum number of words however much you may wish to praise your mum! Our panel of judges will then pick the top 5 entries and those 5 people who

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contributed the entries will get to come onto the show on Mother's Day with their mothers. Each lucky mother will then be presented with a surprise gift worth over 100 pounds. What better way to show your mum how much you love and value her! Competition phone-lines will open on May 1st. Don't miss your opportunity to make your mum feel really special and thank her for all that she has done for you! So, go on, pick up that phone and call the station! Just ask for Brad. Good luck everyone!

(Wait 10 seconds before repeating.) (10 seconds) That is the end of Part Three.

# Part four, part four

Listen to the conversation and answer the questions. Put a circle round the letter of the correct answer. Look at the questions. There is an example. (20 seconds) You will hear the conversation twice.

W: I think I want to start exercising. I haven't had any energy lately and I think starting some kind of exercise programme might help me out.

M: That makes sense. I feel loads healthier since I started running in the mornings. And I've lost a lot of weight, too. W: You have, that's true. I just can't decide what kind of exercise to do. It's summer and so hot out that I really don't want to run or bike outside. I wish I could exercise in the morning when it's cooler out, like you do, but unfortunately my work schedule doesn't allow that.

M: Maybe you should join a gym.

W: The trouble with that is there isn't a nice gym in this town. There's the old recreation centre but I can't stand that place. And plus, it's pretty expensive to get a membership there. M: What about that gym near where your sister lives? That's only about a 20-minute drive and it looks nice, at least from the outside.

W: A 20-minute drive means I'll be spending 40 minutes a day just DRIVING to get exercise. I don't think that's worth it. If I were to join a gym it would have to be somewhere relatively cheap and really close. Ideally, I'd like to be able to walk to the gym.

M: What about yoga? I know there are classes a few times a week at the spa in town.

W: Yoga is nice and relaxing but it isn't the kind of exercise I want to get. I want to feel like I'm exercising. I want to feel tired at the end. Whenever I've tried yoga in the past, afterwards I've felt relaxed, not invigorated.

M: I don't know what to say. Wait, how about swimming? We live right by the water and you love to swim! I hear it is very good exercise, too.

W: That's a great idea! I do love to swim, and it is so close by. I can even start today!

M: Good! I'm glad we figured something out. Do you know how many calories you burn swimming for an hour? 700?

W: No, it depends though. 300. No, more like 400, I guess. It depends how fast you go. You could burn 600 if you tried. The only problems with swimming are that it works your upper body more than your lower body and I guess it isn't a good method for weight loss, if that's what you're looking for. But I think it will be fine for me for now.

M: Yeah I've heard that it isn't a good way to lose weight, too. I wonder why that is. It has something to do with how your body cools itself down and lowering your metabolism.

W: Strange. Oh well, swimming still looks like my best choice. I'm going to go get my swimming costume on now!

(Wait 10 seconds before repeating.) (10 seconds)

That is the end of Part Four.

You now have two hours and ten minutes to complete the rest of the paper.

# TEST 2

### Part one, part one

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Number one. Number one. (6 seconds) What did you do last night? What did you do last night? (10 seconds)

Number two. Number two. (6 seconds)
Do you want to have dinner with me tomorrow?
Do you want to have dinner with me tomorrow?
(10 seconds)

Number three. Number three. (6 seconds) How is your family? How is your family? (10 seconds)

Number four. Number four. (6 seconds) When is the bus supposed to come? When is the bus supposed to come? (10 seconds)

Number five. Number five. (6 seconds) Can you help me with this later? Can you help me with this later? (10 seconds)

Number six. Number six. (6 seconds) Why aren't you coming? Why aren't you coming? (10 seconds)

Number seven. Number seven. (6 seconds) Are you free on Saturday? Are you free on Saturday? (10 seconds) That is the end of Part One.

## Part two, part two

You will hear three short conversations. Listen to the conversations and choose the **best answer** to the questions. Put a circle round the letter of the **best answer**. You will hear each conversation twice. Look at the questions for Conversation One. (10 seconds)

# **Conversation One**

M: This pizza is delicious.

W: I wish there weren't mushrooms on it. I forgot to tell you that I hate mushrooms. Ever since I was very small I've refused to eat them. I don't know what it is, mushrooms are the only food I simply refuse to eat.

M: I'm really sorry, I had no idea. I thought everyone liked mushrooms! At least you can take them off, though. And the sausage and peppers are delicious, aren't they?

W: Yes, the pizza is good even though I have to pick off the mushrooms. I do prefer plain cheese pizza though. Is there a food you really don't like?

M: This may sound strange, but I can't stand hot dogs. And my sister Kim, she hates hamburgers. We aren't good people to go to barbecues with!

W: Hot dogs, why? Did you have a bad experience with them? M: No, I just always disliked the taste. I don't like ham, either. W: I wonder what makes certain people dislike certain foods. Strange, isn't it?

(Wait 10 seconds before repeating.)

(Wait 10 seconds before going onto the next conversation.) Now, look at the questions for Conversation Two. (10 seconds)

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