



Section One

Listening Comprehension

Part I: Photographs

Audio/MP3 Track 21

Directions: For each question in this part, you will hear four statements about a picture in your test book. When you hear the statements, you must select the one statement that best describes what you see in the picture. The statements will not be printed in your test book and will be spoken only one time.



Part II: Question and Response

Audio/MP3 Track 22

Directions: You will hear a question or statement and three responses spoken in English. They will be spoken only one time and will not be printed in your test book. Select the best response to the question or statement

4-10. Mark your answer on your answer sheet.

Part III: Conversations

Audio/MP3 Track 23

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. The conversations will be spoken only one time and will not be printed in your test book.

11. Where is this conversation likely happening?

- (A) At the airport security check
- (B) At the airline counter in the airport
- (C) On an airplane before takeoff
- (D) In a taxi to the airport

12. Which flight is the woman taking?

- (A) Flight J3253 to Dubai
- (B) Flight K3153 to Dublin
- (C) Flight A3153 to Düsseldorf
- (D) Flight C3253 to Durban

13. How many bags does the woman check in?

- (A) Two
- (B) Just one
- (C) None
- (D) Three

14. Why can't the man cook dinner today?

- (A) He can't cook very well.
- (B) He has a dentist's appointment.
- (C) He has to stay late for a meeting.
- (D) He is meeting a friend after work.

15. Which of these statements is true?

- (A) The man and woman will be home at the same time.
- (B) The man will be home earlier than the woman.
- (C) The woman will be home earlier than the man.
- (D) Neither of them is coming home tonight.

16. What do they agree to do for food in the end?

- (A) They will eat separately.
- (B) They will eat in a Thai restaurant.
- (C) They will cook together.
- (D) They will get something to take home.

17. How does the man feel about their vacation?

- (A) He's having an excellent time on the trip.
- (B) He isn't sure about the places they're seeing.
- (C) He isn't really enjoying the weather.
- (D) He would like to have more freedom.

18. Why would he like to see the sights alone?

- (A) So that he wouldn't have to follow the group.
- (B) He doesn't like the people he's traveling with.
- (C) To speak to the people who live in the area.
- (D) Because they don't get long enough to explore them.

19. What does the woman feel about traveling alone?

- (A) It's convenient.
- (B) It's boring.
- (C) It's not as easy as in a group.
- (D) It's not good for women.

20. Which of these is true of the bus?

- (A) It belongs to the zoo.
- (B) Each person has their own seat.
- (C) It is part of a parade.
- (D) The people can choose where they sit.

21. What should the listeners do at the zoo?

- (A) Hold hands with a partner.
- (B) Feed the animals carefully.
- (C) Hold the teacher's hand.
- (D) Feed the animals flowers and trees.

22. What will happen if everyone behaves well?

- (A) They will go to the botanical gardens.
- (B) They will be given a treat.
- (C) They will get less homework.
- (D) They will be home by three.

23. Why is Ben leaving a voice mail?

- (A) He doesn't have Steve's cell number.
- (B) He prefers to leave voice mails.
- (C) He can't get through to Steve.
- (D) He can't find Steve in the office.

24. What would Ben like to discuss with Steve?

- (A) The company's voice mail service
- (B) The shareholders' investments
- (C) The seating arrangements for the AGM
- (D) Changes to the schedule of an event

25. Why is the issue urgent?

- (A) The new system is due to be installed next week.
- (B) The company is moving to a different mailing system.
- (C) His information needs to be finalized before next week.
- (D) The shareholders are complaining about the recent delays.

Part IV: Short Talks

Audio/MP3 Track 24

Directions: You will hear some short talks given by a single speaker. You will be asked to answer three questions about what the speaker says in each short talk. Select the best response to each question. The talks will be spoken only one time and will not be printed in your test book.

Section Two Reading

Part V: Incomplete Sentences

You are to choose the one word or phrase that best completes the sentence.

26. The movie is coming _____ in the middle of October.
(A) onto
(B) out
(C) over
(D) off
27. Do we really have _____ to go shopping before the play starts?
(A) minute
(B) break
(C) time
(D) wait
28. I _____ Jonathan to be one of my closest friends.
(A) consume
(B) imagine
(C) consider
(D) impress
29. The company simply doesn't _____ their engineers enough.
(A) value
(B) price
(C) cost
(D) charge
30. If we don't solve this problem, it could _____ bigger ones in the future.
(A) lead to
(B) come at
(C) lead from
(D) stem from
31. We need to get phone _____ installed before we move into the new office.
(A) wires
(B) cords
(C) lines
(D) threads
32. For technology companies, it's important to stay _____ with new advances.
(A) down-to-earth
(B) up-to-date
(C) down to us
(D) up to now
33. You need to have _____ fingers to play a guitar well.
(A) numb
(B) nonsense
(C) naughty
(D) nimble
34. The _____ for the test is to filter out unsuitable candidates.
(A) examination
(B) factor
(C) reason
(D) issue
35. Marcus turned _____ the offer, preferring to do the work himself.
(A) up
(B) over
(C) down
(D) around

Part VI: Fill in the blanks

Read the following text. A word or phrase is missing in some of the sentences. You are to choose the word or phrase that best completes the sentence.

Questions 36-38 refer to the following article:

Moving to a foreign country might seem like a daunting thing to do, but thousands of people do it every day. For some, it's a lifestyle choice. Maybe the climate or working hours _____ 36 _____ them better. For others, it's a matter of necessity. If you have a family to _____ 37 _____ and there isn't any work in your home country, you have little choice but to look elsewhere. Three things that make the big move easier, according to experts, are research, family involvement, and an open mind. Your research should tell you what the job and housing markets are like, and hopefully lead to a little preparatory language learning. Family support is key to any move; make sure that your loved ones know what's happening at every step. An open mind, of _____ 38 _____, is necessary for when you arrive so that you aren't overwhelmed by the new culture.

36. (A) appear

(B) suit

(C) seem

(D) appeal

37. (A) lift

(B) support

(C) sustain

(D) carry

38. (A) sure

(B) many

(C) course

(D) them

Part VII: Reading Comprehension

Each passage below is followed by questions based on its content. Answer all questions following a passage on the basis of what is stated or implied in that passage.

Questions 39-41 refer to the following e-mail:

To: sandyp@megacorp.us

From: jacks@megacorp.us

Re: Next year's production estimates

Hi Sandy:

Frank is sending me and Paul from my branch to Cologne to talk to our suppliers about the production schedules and requirements for next year. I thought that it might be a good idea to get you on board since you have the inside track on what's going on over in Anaheim. To be honest, the only things we see here in New York are the production figures and expenses from our East Coast manufacturing facilities, so we're a little out of touch.

Maybe we could sit down and do a teleconference on Friday to sort out the details. It would be great to have you on board. I'm sure you have lots of ideas about reducing our overheads and wastage. Let me know if you have time Friday, then we can talk about getting you involved in the trip to Germany.

Yours,

Jack Stone

39. What position does Frank likely hold in the company?

- (A) He is Jack's coworker.
- (B) He is Sandy's coworker.
- (C) He is Sandy's boss.
- (D) He is Jack's boss.

40. Where is Jack's branch based?

- (A) On the West Coast
- (B) On the East Coast
- (C) In New York
- (D) In Cologne

41. Why does Jack want Sandy to help them out?

- (A) She knows more about Germany.
- (B) She is an expert on production estimates.
- (C) She knows more about manufacturing.
- (D) She is a native of Anaheim.

Questions 42-45 refer to the following news article:

When Sebastian Thrun was growing up in Solingen, Germany, a friend of his died in a car accident. The driver lost control on an icy road and ran straight into an oncoming truck. Spurred on by his friend's death and his own interest in computers, Thrun began to ask himself what he could do to make the world a better and safer place.

In 2005, his dream came true when he won the DARPA Grand Challenge by designing a car system that drove itself through the most difficult of off-road conditions.

Having previously worked on artificial intelligence at Stanford University, Thrun is now a professor there. His biggest breakthrough, however, is the development of the Google Driverless Car. This project involves adding cameras and sensors to a car and letting a computer do the driving with no human intervention.

Google successfully lobbied the Nevada Legislature to allow driverless cars in June 2011, so it looks like it'll be hands off the steering wheel for us in the near future.

42. Why did Sebastian develop an interest in automated cars?

- (A) His friend died in a car crash.
- (B) He was funded by Stanford University.
- (C) He won the DARPA Grand Challenge.
- (D) He was hired by Google.

43. What kind of cars can win the DARPA Grand Challenge?

- (A) Ones that have good drivers.
- (B) Ones that can drive themselves in tough terrain.
- (C) Ones that can drive to Nevada.
- (D) Ones produced before June 2011.

44. How is the Google car different from regular ones?

- (A) It has sensors and cameras and is controlled by a computer.
- (B) It requires constant human supervision to run.
- (C) It can go much faster than normal cars.
- (D) It has a steering wheel which is fitted with a map system.

45. What is interesting about the new laws in Nevada?

- (A) They allow Google to do off-road research.
- (B) They let Stanford do more work on artificial intelligence.
- (C) They allow ordinary people to drive cars there.
- (D) They let computer-run cars drive on the roads.

Questions 46-50 refer to the following advertisement and e-mail:



Don't have time to take on a full-time job? Do you have family responsibilities but want a little more income to boost the family budget? Why not talk to us about it? Here at Iridium Recruitment, we pride ourselves on finding the right job for the right person. We operate part-time and temporary staffing arrangements with several multinational companies, which means that you can work as much or as little as you like. The requirements for these positions are basic secretarial skills and a good attitude. That's it! If you think you can quickly settle into a new working environment, give us a call on (505) 889-1580 or e-mail us at jobseekers@iridium.com. We'll set up a face-to-face interview right away.

To: jobseekers@iridium.com

From: selenaharris@hotmail.com

Re: Part-time work

Dear Sir/Madam:

Having seen your advertisement, I'm interested in finding out more about the opportunities available. As a single mother, I don't have enough time to devote to a full-time job, but I would like to see what my options are in terms of temporary or part-time employment. My children are at school during the day, so ideal working times for me would be between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. I can type, take dictation, and use all basic office suite software.

Thank you for your time,

Selena Harris

46. Who is the advertisement mainly directed at?

- (A) People with commitments other than work
- (B) People who have just left school
- (C) People who already have high-paying jobs
- (D) People who have just graduated from college

47. According to Iridium, what is their main focus?

- (A) Correctly matching jobs to workers
- (B) Saving money for companies
- (C) Protecting employees' rights in the workplace
- (D) Ensuring high pay and good benefits

48. What does one definitely need to find a job through Iridium?

- (A) Office skills
- (B) College diploma
- (C) Work experience
- (D) Language skills

49. How do the people at Iridium choose their candidates after the first contact?

- (A) On the basis of their résumé
- (B) By sending them to the client for a trial
- (C) By having them sit some tests
- (D) Through a personal interview

50. Why can't Selena take a full-time job?

- (A) She has some form of disability.
- (B) She must look after her parents.
- (C) She has to raise her children alone.
- (D) She teaches in a school during the day.