

Listening Comprehension

Directions: In this test you will hear 50 statements. Each statement will be spoken just one time, and it will not be written out for you. After you hear a statement, read the four sentences that are printed in these test papers and decide which one is closest in meaning to the statement you have heard. Then find the number of the problem on your answer sheet and mark your answer.

Listen to the following example.

You will hear: " George has just returned home from his vacation. "

You will read: (A) George is spending his vacation at home.

(B) George has just finished his vacation.

(C) George is just about to begin his vacation.

(D) George has decided not to take a vacation.

Choice (B), George has just finished his vacation, is closest in meaning to the statement you heard, " George has just returned home from his vacation. " Therefore, choice (B) is the answer to this problem and would mark your answer sheet as shown below.



Now let us begin the test with problem number 1.

1. (A) Bob likes to wash the car.
(B) Bob's father likes to wash the car.
(C) Bob doesn't wash the car.
(D) Bob's father doesn't wash the car.
2. (A) I like science better than history.
(B) I like neither history nor science.
(C) I like history better than science.
(D) I like science just as much as history.
3. (A) The plane arrived at twelve thirty.
(B) The plane arrived at eleven thirty.
(C) The plane arrived at twelve.
(D) The plane arrived at one.
4. (A) There were twenty passengers.
(B) There were thirty passengers.
(C) There were forty passengers.
(D) There were fourteen passengers.
5. (A) Bill knew Mary needed the book.
(B) Mary didn't really need the book.
(C) I'm sure Bill returned the book.
(D) Bill didn't return the book.
6. (A) I asked for some butter.
(B) I asked for some soup.
(C) I asked for a knife.
(D) I asked for a spoon.
7. (A) Bill wouldn't accept Jack's money.
(B) Bill wouldn't give Jack money.
(C) Jack wouldn't offer Bill any money.
(D) Jack wouldn't take Bill's money.
8. (A) John was greatly amused.
(B) John was greatly surprised.
(C) John was greatly relieved.
(D) John was greatly angered.
9. (A) The coffee is cool enough to drink.
(B) The coffee is hot enough to drink.
(C) The coffee is not cool enough to drink yet.
(D) The coffee is not enough to drink.
10. (A) Alice wants the suit.
(B) Alice wants the hat.
(C) Alice wants the case.
(D) Alice wants the box.
11. (A) Mary has found the children.
(B) Mary likes the children very much.
(C) Mary raised the children herself.
(D) Mary is playing with the children.
12. (A) Only Jack's first attempt was successful.
(B) Only Jack's second attempt was successful.
(C) Both of Jack's attempts were successful. (D) Neither of Jack's attempts was successful.

13. (A) Paul came to visit us.
(B) Paul sent us a letter.
(C) Paul attempted to call us.
(D) Paul wanted to help us.
14. (A) Bob will be here but Betty won't.
(B) Betty will be here but Bob won't.
(C) Neither Bob nor Betty can come.
(D) Both Betty and Bob can come.
15. (A) I've never seen Helen drive.
(B) I think Helen is a poor driver.
(C) I've never seen George drive.
(D) I think George is a poor driver.
16. (A) Jane and Ann are very different.
(B) Jane doesn't like her sister.
(C) Jane and her sister are alike.
(D) Jane doesn't like Ann's sister.
17. (A) Bill was tired Wednesday night.
(B) Bill studied Wednesday.
(C) Bill studied on Thursday.
(D) Bill studied Thursday night.
18. (A) A person should ski alone.
(B) Skiing is never a good idea.
(C) A person should not ski alone.
(D) I like to ski alone.
19. (A) The detective's car stopped.
(B) The truck didn't stop.
(C) The truck stopped.
(D) Someone stopped the truck for the detective.
20. (A) Maria has come to the ELI.
(B) Mary is coming to the ELI.
(C) John has come to the ELI.
(D) Maria isn't at the ELI.
21. (A) John got some toothpaste last night.
(B) I got some toothpaste for John last night.
(C) John had some toothpaste last night.
(D) We need toothpaste.
22. (A) I am used to playing the guitar.
(B) I never have played the guitar.
(C) I used to play the guitar.
(D) I would like to learn to play the guitar.
23. (A) The prime minister is very young.
(B) The people chose the prime minister.
(C) The dishonest people elected the young prime minister.
(D) The prime minister made the people angry.
24. (A) Every eighteen-year-old man is eligible for the army.
(B) He had a cold on his birthday.
(C) He celebrated his eighteenth birthday.
(D) Drafts cause colds.
25. (A) The bus left at ten o'clock at night.
(B) The bus left at ten o'clock in the morning.
(C) The bus left at two o'clock in the afternoon.
(D) The bus left at midnight.
26. (A) The man is at a park.
(B) The man is at a shopping center.
(C) The man is downtown.
(D) The man is in the country.

27. (A) Joe was the head resident.
(B) Joe was at home.
(C) Joe was at the dormitory.
(D) Joe was in the hospital.
28. (A) The teacher did not accept the paper.
(B) The paper had one mistake.
(C) The word was spelled perfectly.
(D) It was a perfect paper.
29. (A) Ms. Kent is a lawyer.
(B) Ms. Kent is a businesswoman.
(C) Ms. Kent is a doctor.
(D) Ms. Kent is a teacher.
30. (A) It is ten o'clock now.
(B) It is eight-fifty now.
(C) It is nine o'clock now.
(D) It is nine-ten now.
31. (A) Forty people came.
(B) Only one person came.
(C) Twenty people came.
(D) Thirty people came.
32. (A) The suitcase has a box on it.
(B) The box is empty.
(C) The box is bigger.
(D) The suitcase is larger.
33. (A) The baby is a girl.
(B) Jane is a mother.
(C) The baby's name is Jane.
(D) Jane is a nurse.
34. (A) Betty is not very smart.
(B) Betty seldom comes to class because she stays home to study.
(C) Betty is a very good student.
(D) Betty is a poor student because she never does her work.
35. (A) Kaohsiung has more people.
(B) Taipei has more people.
(C) Taipei is larger.
(D) Kaohsiung is larger.
36. (A) The plug isn't in the socket.
(B) The typewriter is broken.
(C) You didn't turn on the typewriter.
(D) The typewriter is stolen.
37. (A) He reads quickly.
(B) When he reads the paper, he reads for the main idea only.
(C) He reads slowly.
(D) He doesn't read the paper every day.
38. (A) Please make an appointment before you come.
(B) You should buy something this weekend.
(C) Come anytime this weekend.
(D) You get sick this weekend.
39. (A) The house was the right size for the Smiths.
(B) The house was the right size for the Andersons.
(C) The house was too small for the Andersons.
(D) The house was not the right size for either family.
40. (A) He reports his tips on his income tax form.
(B) He prefers to keep his tips secret.
(C) He reports all his income to the Internal Revenue Service.
(D) He reports fifteen percent of his income to the Internal Revenue Service.

41. (A) The airline found a hotel for her.
(B) She had to find a hotel herself.
(C) The airline cancelled the flight because of the hotel.
(D) She cancelled the flight because of her illness.
42. (A) She plays for free.
(B) She plays tennis for exercise.
(C) She plays tennis every day.
(D) She is probably a professional tennis player.
43. (A) Mark's windows face Park Avenue.
(B) Mark enters his building on 79th Street.
(C) Mark's windows face 79th Street.
(D) The entrance of Mark's apartment is on 79th Street.
44. (A) The policeman has a green house.
(B) He wants someone to paint his house.
(C) He painted the house green.
(D) He has a broken house.
45. (A) John is going to go to New York before he goes to Paris.
(B) John is going to go to Rome after he goes to Paris.
(C) John is going to go to Paris before he flies to New York.
(D) John is going to go to Paris first.
46. (A) The school said it was the boy's parents' fault.
(B) His parents said it was the school's fault.
(C) His parents blamed themselves.
(D) His parents committed suicide.
47. (A) The robber spent seven years in prison.
(B) The robber was sent to prison for twenty-two months.
(C) The robber was arrested in a bar.
(D) The robber was in prison less than two years.
48. (A) The grandson received everything before the grandfather died.
(B) The grandfather signed everything he owned.
(C) The grandfather died before he signed everything.
(D) He left his grandson everything in his will.
49. (A) The person wants to leave the apartment when the lease is finished.
(B) The person wants to leave the apartment before the end of the lease.
(C) The person lost his deposit because he moved out.
(D) The person doesn't want to leave the apartment.
50. (A) He expects his ties to be fashionable again.
(B) His ties never went out of fashion.
(C) His ties are fashionable now.
(D) He throws his ties away because they go out of fashion.