

Listening Comprehension

This test contains two parts. There are special directions for each part.

PART A

Directions: For all the problems in Part A, there will be a short statement. The statement will be spoken only one time. It will not be written out for you. You must listen very carefully so that you can understand what the speaker says. After you have heard a statement, read the four sentences in this test paper. Then decide which one is closest in meaning to the statement you have heard. After that, on your answer sheet, find the number of the problem and mark your answer in the proper space.

Look at the example.

You will hear: Bill got a present from his father and mother.

You will read: (A) The present was for Bill.

(B) The present was for his father.

(C) The present was for his mother.

(D) The present was for his father and mother.

Sentence (A), "The present was for Bill," means most nearly the same as the sentence "Bill got a present from his father and mother." Therefore you should choose answer (A).

Sample Answer

(A) (B) (C) (D)

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1. (A) It takes about 2 months for my letter to get to Paris.
(B) It takes 2 or 3 days.
(C) It takes 3 weeks.
(D) It takes 3 hours.
2. (A) The students didn't like the assignment.
(B) They didn't understand the assignment.
(C) The professor didn't give them assignment.
(D) They have finished the assignment.
3. (A) Nancy watched TV last night.
(B) Nancy broke the TV last night.
(C) Nancy appeared on TV last night.
(D) Nancy bought a TV set last night.
4. (A) Robert is a teacher.
(B) Mr. Brown is a teacher.
(C) Robert is a lawyer.
(D) Mr. Brown is a lawyer.
5. (A) The farmer worked an extra week.
(B) The farmer worked an extra month.
(C) The farmer took 4 weeks to harvest.
(D) The farmer took three weeks to harvest.
6. (A) Billy has disappeared many times.
(B) This is the first time that he disappears.
(C) He lost his books before.
(D) This is the first time that he lost his books.
7. (A) The waiter was brought here by a friend.
(B) The waiter was injured in an accident.
(C) The waiter brought ham and eggs.
(D) The waiter brought cereal.
8. (A) Jane had peach pie.
(B) Jane had apple pie.
(C) Jane had nothing.
(D) Jane went away.
9. (A) Dan is lazy.
(B) Dan is as lazy as his sister.
(C) Dan isn't as lazy as his sister.
(D) Dan isn't as lazy as his sister said.
10. (A) Mrs. Stuart needs more cups.
(B) She needs more saucers.
(C) She needs more plates.
(D) She needs more problems.
11. (A) Sally accidentally honked.
(B) Sally signalled with her horn.
(C) Sally likes to play her horn.
(D) Sally tested her horn.
12. (A) The store only sells lumber to other stores.
(B) The store only sells a certain kind of lumber.
(C) The store also sells carpenter's tools.
(D) The store sells paint also.
13. (A) Paul doesn't blink his eyes.
(B) Paul rarely looks up from his work.
(C) Paul is a bad speller.
(D) Paul leaves his i's undotted.
14. (A) The notebook is new.
(B) The notebook is almost empty.
(C) The notebook is almost full.
(D) The notebook doesn't have many pages.
15. (A) The basketball is too full.
(B) The basketball needs air.
(C) Walter never uses his basketball.
(D) Walter's basketball is very old.
16. (A) Jack is a professor.
(B) Jack sells fire insurance.
(C) Jack likes fires.
(D) Jack is a fireman.

17. (A) The bucket is full.
(B) The bucket is empty.
(C) The bucket is only used for carrying water.
(D) A lot of water can be put in the bucket.
18. (A) David bought two kinds of fruit.
(B) David went to two different fruit stores.
(C) David bought two pieces of fruit.
(D) David bought four pieces of fruit.
19. (A) There aren't many people at the party.
(B) The party has just ended.
(C) The party has just begun.
(D) The party is about to end.
20. (A) The choir has 20 members including Mark.
(B) The choir has 20 members except Mark.
(C) Mark is the only singer.
(D) Mark prefers not to sing with the others.

PART B

Directions: In Part B there will be several short conversations between two speakers. At the end of each conversation, a third voice will ask a question about the conversation. The question will be spoken only one time. After you have heard a conversation and the question about it, read the four possible answers. Then decide which one would be the best answer to the question you have heard. After that, on your answer sheet, find the number of the problem and mark your answer in the proper space.

Look at the example.

You will hear: (man) Mary, could I borrow \$10.00 until Monday?

(woman) I've only got \$5.00 now, but I'm going to the bank at lunch. I'll get \$30.00 instead of \$20.00.

(third voice) How much money will Mary get?

You will read: (A) \$50.00.

(B) \$20.00.

(C) \$45.00.

(D) \$30.00.

From the conversation, we know that Mary was going to get \$20.00 but the man wants to borrow \$10.00, so she will get \$30.00. The best answer, then, is (D), "\$30.00." Therefore you should choose Answer (D).

Sample Answer

(A) (B) (C) (D)

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21. (A) The man told her to.
(B) She was told it would be cold.
(C) As a precaution.
(D) She expected it to be cold.
22. (A) Arranging to send her dog to the West Coast.
(B) Arranging to mail something to the West Coast.
(C) Putting her dog on a boat to the West Coast.
(D) Planning to take a cruise.
23. (A) Drive away
(B) Argue
(C) Move her car
(D) Nothing
24. (A) To buy the handkerchief with flowers on it.
(B) Handkerchiefs are bad gifts.
(C) To give her the handkerchief.
(D) Not to buy the handkerchief for himself.
25. (A) She missed the lecture.
(B) His handwriting is very neat.
(C) She didn't understand the lecture.
(D) She forgot to take notes because the lecture was so interesting.
26. (A) She will get him some paper and a pencil.
(B) She will give him her pencil and paper.
(C) She will lend him a pencil and paper.
(D) She will take notes for him.
27. (A) Get a pair of eye glasses.
(B) Take the driving test again.
(C) Have to practice driving more.
(D) Have to study harder.
28. (A) Sunday
(B) Wednesday
(C) Saturday
(D) Monday
29. (A) He gives long lectures.
(B) His class is interesting.
(C) His class is dull.
(D) Only one person doesn't like him.
30. (A) He can pay \$250 in regular installments.
(B) He must pay \$250 immediately and then make another payment of \$25 later.
(C) He can pay \$25 as a down payment and then pay \$250 in installments.
(D) He can pay \$25 first and then pay \$225 in regular payments.
31. (A) Because the woman likes Jack.
(B) Because Jack is his friend.
(C) Because Jack is the best candidate.
(D) Because Jack never quits.
32. (A) Because the man helped her.
(B) Because she is a good friend.
(C) Because the man was angry.
(D) Because she is lonely.
33. (A) Harrisburg is not worth visiting.
(B) August is the time to visit Harrisburg.
(C) It is August.
(D) Harrisburg has tourists all year around.
34. (A) He was about to sit on a newspaper.
(B) He was about to wrinkle his pants.
(C) He was about to rip his pants.
(D) He was about to sit in a dirty place.
35. (A) To weigh herself.
(B) To weigh her food.
(C) To weigh her dog.
(D) To weigh her dog's food.

36. (A) David seems to be quite well.
(B) David is always sad.
(C) David looks sick.
(D) David hardly smiles.
37. (A) He never learns to wrinkle his suit jacket.
(B) He should learn to take off his suit jacket.
(C) He never wears wrinkled suit jacket.
(D) He should hang up his suit jacket after taking it off.
38. (A) by plane
(B) by ship
(C) by car
(D) by train
39. (A) It's too hot.
(B) It's too cold.
(C) It's too humid.
(D) It's too dry.
40. (A) the yellow car
(B) the small red car
(C) the truck
(D) the police officer
41. (A) On Monday through Thursday only.
(B) On Friday only.
(C) On Saturday and Sunday only.
(D) It is always open.
42. (A) She is a nurse.
(B) She is a psychologist.
(C) She is a writer.
(D) She is a teacher.
43. (A) Ask Wilfred to drive another car.
(B) Buy a larger car.
(C) Drive some people to the picnic.
(D) Stay at home with some of the people.
44. (A) Stewardess
(B) bookseller
(C) housekeeper
(D) librarian
45. (A) She doesn't like to sing.
(B) She doesn't like to tune.
(C) She doesn't have a good voice.
(D) She doesn't know enough about music.
46. (A) Her employer.
(B) Her employee.
(C) Her boyfriend.
(D) Her husband.
47. (A) Shaving cream
(B) Shoes
(C) Glasses
(D) Vallet
48. (A) 3:00
(B) 3:30
(C) 4:00
(D) 4:30
49. (A) Sunny
(B) Cloudy
(C) Rainy
(D) Snowy
50. (A) Actor
(B) Butcher
(C) Radio announcer
(D) Soldier