

# Listening

40 minutes

## PART 1

You will hear people talking in eight different situations. For questions 1 – 8, choose the best answer, (A, B or C).

- 1 You hear a woman talking on the phone.

Who is she talking to?

- A a store assistant
- B a store manager
- C a store director

- 2 You hear a woman talking to a friend.

Where has she been?

- A a music lesson
- B an exercise class
- C a talk on dieting

- 3 You overhear a man talking to his wife.

What are they planning to do?

- A buy a house in the country
- B go away for a holiday
- C change where they work

- 4 You hear a radio announcement.

The next programme is going to be about

- A the influence of food on how we feel and what we do.
- B the foods that go together to create a balanced meal.
- C the chemicals that food may contain.

- 5 You overhear a policeman talking to some people.

What is about to happen?

- A a concert
- B a parade
- C a match

- 6 You hear a man telling someone about a recent experience in a theatre.

What happened to him?

- A His seat broke during the performance.
- B He was given a free seat for the show.
- C His seat was broken when he arrived.

- 7 You hear a woman explaining why she is late.

She is late because

- A two trains were withdrawn from service.
- B the train drivers were on strike.
- C she missed her first train.

- 8 You hear two people talking about their work.

What kind of work do they do?

- A They make bread.
- B They work in a hospital.
- C They clean offices.

**PART 2**

You will hear a travel company representative called Samantha talking to some hotel guests at the start of their holiday. For questions 9 – 18, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

**TRAVEL COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE**

Samantha's office is located opposite that of the (9) ..... at the hotel.

In emergencies, guests should ask the hotel (10) ..... to contact Samantha.

On Monday the (11) ..... will be closed for routine maintenance.

According to Samantha, it is essential to book trips (12) ..... in advance.

Guests are advised to take (13) ..... on the Mount Sispi excursion.

Samantha says that reductions are available at the (14) ..... restaurant in the town centre.

Many shops in the area close around (15) .....

Some shops in the area charge people for using (16) .....

Tourists who disobey traffic rules are (17) .....

Official taxis can be identified by their (18) ....., which is on when they are available.

**PART 3**

You will hear five different people talking about being the eldest child in a family. For questions 19 – 23, choose from the list A – H the best thing each speaker remembers about being the eldest. Use the letters only once. There are three extra letters which you do not need to use.

- A feeling self-confident
- B not arguing with parents
- C learning to be patient
- D having parental attention
- E learning to be caring
- F never feeling neglected
- G being bought new clothes
- H enjoying special advantages

Speaker 1  19Speaker 2  20Speaker 3  21Speaker 4  22Speaker 5  23

**PART 4**

You will hear part of an interview with two young people, Mariko and Ronan. For questions 24 – 30, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

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- 24 A woman in the supermarket where Mariko worked
- A offered Mariko a good modelling job.
  - B suggested Mariko moved to London.
  - C told Mariko she had modelling ability.
- 25 Mariko found the big London agency
- A dishonest.
  - B unhelpful.
  - C frightening.
- 26 What does Mariko say about the time she spent waiting for a modelling job?
- A It seemed much longer than it really was.
  - B There was a lot she had to do during that time.
  - C She was surprised how quickly the time passed.
- 27 What does Mariko say about her future?
- A She is looking forward to having some free time.
  - B She is excited about the amount of work she is getting.
  - C She wants to move to another country.

- 28 What happened first when Ronan left school?
- A He was unemployed.
  - B He went to college.
  - C He worked in a shop.
- 29 Ronan was offered a job because he
- A looked so desperate.
  - B took an opportunity.
  - C seemed very friendly.
- 30 Why was Ronan offered the business?
- A The owner's son was not interested.
  - B The owner didn't want his son to have it.
  - C The owner was fed up with running it.