

LEVEL 1

PART 1: LISTENING COMPREHENSION (1.8)

Estimated time needed: 20 minutes

Exercise 1:

Listen to the conversation and complete the missing information about Rosa.
You will hear the recording twice.

Surname: (1). _____
First name: _____ *Rosa* _____
Country: (2). _____
Address: (3). *Flat* _____
_____ *Charles Street, London*
Phone number: (4). _____
Occupation: (5). _____
Age: (6). _____



Exercise 2:

Listen to Mr and Mrs Smith talking to a travel agent.
Mark the sentences T (True) or F (False). You will hear the recording twice.

07. ____ Only Mrs Smith wants to go on holiday.
08. ____ Mr Smith loves winter sports.
09. ____ Their children are teenagers.
10. ____ Their daughter studies French.
11. ____ The travel agent doesn't know where they can go.

Exercise 3:

Listen to Ceri Bevan talking about her life and choose the correct answer A, B or C.

You will hear the recording twice.

12. She loves her job because ____
A. she can help people.



- B. she can play rugby.
- C. she is busy all the time.

13. She goes to the swimming pool ____

- A. every day.
- B. twice a week.
- C. twice a day.

14. She usually relaxes ____

- A. on Wednesday evenings.
- B. at the club.
- C. on Fridays.

15. Ceri and her boyfriend ____

- A. really enjoy cooking.
- B. don't like watching DVDs at home.
- C. always go out on Saturday evenings.

Exercise 4:

Listen to three telephone conversations. Complete the messages and the missing information.

You will hear the recording twice.

- Conversation 1 – David and Jane:

Message: _____ *dinner at David's house* _____

Day: _____ *Saturday* _____

Time: **(16).** _____

- Conversation 2 – John and Barry:

Message: **(17).** _____

Day: **(18).** _____

Time: _____ *7.30* _____

- Conversation 3 – Meg and Kate:

Message: **(19).** _____

Day: _____ *this evening* _____

Time: **(20).** _____

LEVEL 2

PART 1: LISTENING COMPREHENSION (2.8)

Estimated time needed: 20 minutes

Exercise 1:

You will hear five short conversations. There is one question for each conversation. For questions 1 – 5, circle the correct answer A, B or C. You will hear the recording twice.

Example:

0. How many people were at the meeting?

- A. 3**
- B. 13**
- C. 30**

1. When did Gary start his new job?

- A. In March
- B. In April
- C. In May

2. What time does the film start?

- A. 4.30 and 7.00
- B. 4.30 and 7.30
- C. 4.00 and 7.30

3. What was the weather like on Saturday?

- A. Windy
- B. Sunny
- C. Windy and rainy

4. Which motorway will they take?

- A. M1
- B. M6
- C. M62

5. Which book does Lorna want?

- A. The book on the sofa.
- B. The book on the chair.
- C. The book under the chair.

Exercise 3:

Listen to Jan talking to Steve about getting a student travel card. For questions 11 to 15, choose the correct answer (A, B or C). You will hear the conversation twice.

11. How much is a travel card?
 - a. £6
 - b. £16
 - c. £60

12. Jan will need ____
 - a. one photo.
 - b. two photos.
 - c. four photos.

13. Photos are less expensive ____
 - a. in the photographer's shop.
 - b. in the library.
 - c. in the post office.

14. For the travel card, Jan must take ____
 - a. a letter.
 - b. her passport.
 - c. her driving licence.

15. Jan can get a travel card from ____
 - a. her college.
 - b. the travel agent's.
 - c. the tourist office.

Exercise 4:

You will hear a man speaking on the telephone. For questions 16 – 20, complete the missing information. You will hear the recording twice.

<u>TELEPHONE MESSAGE</u>	
TO:	<u>Mr Brown</u>
16. FROM:	<u>David</u>
17. NOT IN SCHOOL BECAUSE HE HAS:	_____
18. STUDENTS SHOULD READ PAGES:	<u>to</u>
19. DAVID WILL RETURN TO SCHOOL ON:	_____

20. AT:

p.m

LEVEL 3

PART 1: LISTENING COMPREHENSION (3.8)

Estimated time needed: 20 minutes

Exercise 1:

You will hear an interview with a psychologist. Read the questions and choose the correct answer (A, B or C). You will hear the recording twice.

1. Dr Graaf believes that all good leaders have ____
 - A. special personal qualities.
 - B. team spirit.
 - C. a great sense of humour.

2. Dr Graaf says that leaders have to ____
 - A. try to be more popular.
 - B. make difficult decisions.
 - C. please everybody.

3. What does Dr Graaf say about bosses?
 - A. They sometimes make bad choices.
 - B. They are sometimes in a panic.
 - C. They are not always liked.

4. Dr Graaf says that to be an effective leader, you must be ____
 - A. determined.
 - B. like a superhero.
 - C. respected and trusted.

Exercise 2:

Listen to the conversation between Jim and Melanie about sailing. Then decide if the statements (5 – 10) are True (T) or False (F). You will hear the recording twice.

5. ____ Melanie paid a lot of money to go sailing.
6. ____ Jim doesn't feel well when he's on boats.
7. ____ Melanie finds sailing relaxing.
8. ____ Jim would be scared of bad weather if he was on a boat.

9. _____ Melanie liked sleeping on the boat.
 10. _____ Jim decides to go sailing.

Exercise 3:

You are going to listen to a holiday representative talking to some new guests at their hotel. Fill in the missing information. You will hear the recording twice.

<i>Name:</i>	<i>Jane Clarkson</i>
<i>Company:</i>	<i>Sun Tours</i>
<i>Meals</i>	
<i>Breakfast:</i>	<i>7:30 - 9:30 am in (11) _____ - ground floor</i>
<i>Lunch:</i>	<i>12:00 - 2:00 pm restaurant - (12) _____ floor</i>
	<i>Packed lunches available - order (13) _____ day before</i>
<i>Dinner:</i>	<i>7:30 - 9:30 pm restaurant - variety of (14) _____ dishes</i>
<i>Pool</i>	
<i>Opening hours:</i>	<i>7:00 am - (15) _____ pm - Sunbeds available</i>
<i>Snack bar (16)</i>	<i>_____ and snacks</i>

Exercise 4:

You will hear part of a radio programme about giving gifts in other countries. Read the sentences and write a cross under the correct column. You will hear the recording twice.

- | | YES | NO |
|--|------------|-----------|
| 17. In Japan, it's impolite to give money as a gift. | ___ | ___ |
| 18. The Chinese never open a gift as soon as they receive it. | ___ | ___ |
| 19. People in South America think highly of leather gifts. | ___ | ___ |
| 20. When visiting a British home, you don't need to take a gift. | ___ | ___ |

LEVEL 4

PART 1: LISTENING COMPREHENSION (4.7)

Estimated time needed: 25 minutes

Exercise 1:

**You will hear someone welcoming a group of visitors to *Ocean Life* sea park.
For each question, circle the correct answer. You will hear the recording twice.**

1. This group of visitors ____
 - A. have just arrived at the sea park.
 - B. have finished their visit.
 - C. have already seen some of Ocean Life.

2. Visitors are encouraged to ____
 - A. see only the sea life they like best.
 - B. take plenty of time to see everything.
 - C. come back to the park for another visit.

3. Organisers at the centre believe that ____
 - A. some sea life is more interesting than others.
 - B. sharks should never be kept in a sea park.
 - C. certain sea life should remain in the sea.

4. What does the speaker say about learning at the sea park?
 - A. Learning is less important than being entertained.
 - B. You can both learn and have fun.
 - C. There is written information everywhere.

5. How do the organisers make school visits easier?
 - A. They speak to teachers after the visits.
 - B. They organise special school days.
 - C. They make suggestions about what to study.

6. The organisers also help sea life by ____
 - A. caring for hurt animals until they are well.
 - B. looking after injured animals from all over the world.
 - C. sending rescuers to look for animals in Europe.

Exercise 2:

You will hear somebody talking about a short break in Barcelona. For each question, fill in the missing information in the numbered space. You will hear the recording twice.

SHORT BREAKS IN THE CITY	
Length of City Breaks	
From (7) _____	to seven nights.
Cost of Barcelona Break	
Price includes (8) _____	and bed and breakfast (not evening meals)
(pay less if you stay on a (9) _____	night)
Extras	
Pay more for a (10) _____	
card (allows money off city sights and some (11)	_____)
Travel Dates	
5th - 31st (12) _____	

Exercise 3:

You will hear a conversation between a girl, Anna, and a boy, James, about a party.

Decide if each sentence is correct or incorrect.

If it is correct put a tick under YES. If it is not correct, put a tick under NO. You will hear the recording twice.

No	Yes
13. James is looking forward to his brother's engagement. _____	_____
14. James thinks his brother's girlfriend is boring. _____	_____

15. Anna enjoys her family parties. _____

16. James gets on well with his cousins. _____

17. Anna reminds James to buy them a gift. _____

18. Both Anna and James have bought things _____
_____ on the internet before.

LEVEL 5

PART 1: LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Estimated time needed: 25 minutes

Exercise 1:

You will hear an interview with a psychologist who has written a book about expressing feelings. For questions 1 – 7, choose the best answer A, B or C. You will hear the recording twice.

1. What does Dr Walsh say about the title of the book?
A. Doctors need to change.
B. Problems don't always exist.
C. We need to look at problems differently.
2. What should we do when someone says something we don't like?
A. Find the reason they said it.
B. Get angry with them.
C. Tell them they are wrong.
3. What should we do if a waiter brings us a cup of coffee which is cold?
A. Don't try to change it.
B. Tell the waiter the problem.
C. Ask the waiter some questions.
4. What does the doctor say about a customer who argues with a waiter?
A. Both people have a problem.
B. The customer has the problem.
C. The waiter has the problem.
5. What is the most important thing we should know about stress?
A. It can kill us.
B. We have more serious problems.
C. We should accept it.

6. What should we do if a friend is suffering from stress?
 - A. Tell your friend he or she has a problem.
 - B. Take your friend out.
 - C. Help your friend to look deeply into the causes of the problem.

7. What advice does the doctor give about mistakes we made in the past?
 - A. Avoid making them again.
 - B. Spend more time analyzing them.
 - C. Tell other people about them.

Exercise2:

You will hear an interview with a man called Ben Nolan, who works for an adventure holiday company. For questions 8 – 17, complete the sentences. Use one to three word(s). You will hear the recording twice.

* Ben says his company offer holidays for people who like (8)

but have not had the chance to try them out.

* Often, kids don't have the (9) _____ they need to do extreme sports.

* Ben is a qualified (10) _____ instructor.

* Ben's job is to (11) _____ the activities.

* The most important thing is that the holidays are a great (12)

_____.

* Although (13) _____ isn't a new extreme sport, it is still popular.

* The company doesn't offer (14) _____ like canoeing.

* Everyone eats together in a (15)

_____.

* People can pay for their holiday (16) _____ each month.

* There are holidays for people with (17)

_____ or

mobility problems.



LEVEL 6

PART 1: LISTENING COMPREHENSION (VI.7)

Estimated time needed: 25 minutes

Exercise 1:

You will hear an interview with a journalist. For questions 1 to 7, choose the best answer A, B or C. You will hear the recording twice.

1. What convinced Mike to follow a career in journalism?
 - A. A course he took.
 - B. His lack of success in business.
 - C. The advice of a family member.
2. What type of training did Mike have once he started work?
 - A. He studied for formal qualifications.
 - B. He worked closely with a more experienced colleague.
 - C. He received feedback on his work from newspaper readers.

3. When Mike first started working with the police, they ____
 - A. were unsure whether to trust him.
 - B. had little time to spend with him.
 - C. refused to accept drinks from him.

4. Why didn't Mike use the information he gained about Prince Charles?
 - A. It was against the law to do so.
 - B. He had promised that he wouldn't.
 - C. It was felt to be unfair to do so.

5. According to Mike, what is a journalist's most important quality?
 - A. Being committed to the job.
 - B. Having good writing skills.
 - C. Feeling sure of your abilities.

6. What does Mike say about modern journalism?
 - A. It's not as exciting as it used to be.
 - B. It's no longer as sociable as it was.
 - C. It's less demanding than in the past.

7. What disadvantage of journalism does Mike warn young people about?
 - A. The financial insecurity.
 - B. The disruption of domestic life.
 - C. The competitive atmosphere.

Exercise 2:

You will hear an interview with Nick Gordon, who spent ten years in the rainforest. For questions 8 to 17, complete the sentences. You will hear the recording twice.

8. Nick says that he first saw a jaguar at _____ in the morning.

9. The jaguar's coat was a mixture of _____ *and* _____ in colour.

10. Nick was disappointed at not getting a _____ of his first jaguar.

11. Most female jaguars have a territory of _____ in size.

12. The fact that jaguars move around so much and so
_____ makes it easy to miss them.
13. On a trip in search of jaguars, Nick was once given a very large
_____ to eat.
14. Nick says that forest people have a feeling of
_____ for the jaguar.
15. To help them study jaguars, researchers have fixed
_____ on to some they have caught.
16. In some areas, jaguars are killed by
_____ because they are seen as a threat.
17. The health of jaguars may be in danger due to contact with animals such as
_____ and _____.

