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ENGLISH C1

Listening Comprehension

TIME: 40 minutes approximately

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

There are 3 **tasks** in this part of the test.

You must complete **all** the tasks.

You must write your answers in the space provided "Answer(s)".

Listen carefully to the instructions on the recording.

You will hear each recording twice.

You will have time to read through the tasks before the recording begins, and you will have 2 minutes at the end of the test to complete your answers.

There will now be a pause. Please ask any questions at this time.

Do not speak during the test.

Each question is worth 1 point.



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Task 1:

You are going to hear six people talking about problems they had while travelling abroad.

- For questions 1-12, choose which TWO things each speaker says from the list (A-P).
- Use the letters only once.
- For each speaker the answers can be written in either order.
- There are two extra letters which you will NOT use.
- Here is an example (0).

Which person:

Speaker 0	0.	H
	0.	K

Speaker 1	1.	
	2.	

Speaker 4	7.	
	8.	

Speaker 2	3.	
	4.	

Speaker 5	9.	
	10.	

Speaker 3	5.	
	6.	

Speaker 6	11.	
	12.	

Answers:

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| A. had an experience resulting in a long-term falling out. | I. says he/she felt cross about the situation. |
| B. got sick of a person they ran into. | J. faced a potentially life-threatening situation. |
| C. says that health problems jeopardized the outcome of the holiday. | K. based a decision on what he/she had previously been told. |
| D. was left stranded due to severe weather. | L. faced a bureaucratic error. |
| E. had to have self-reliance to solve a problem. | M. describes one negative happening from an otherwise positive experience. |
| F. wasn't able to travel due to a company's bankruptcy. | N. felt empathy for someone despite his/her disorderly behaviour. |
| G. had thought up an excuse in case one was necessary. | O. had a problem which was solved due to an outside intervention. |
| H. got an unexpected indemnity. | P. had to keep clear of a certain situation. |



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Task 2

You are going to hear a radio interview about the popularity of lawyers.

- For questions (13-20) write the correct answer (A, B, C, or D) on the line according to what you hear.
- There is an example (0) at the beginning.

0. What is said about the line “let’s kill all the lawyers”?

- A. The character who said it is very well-known.
- B. It sounds seemingly up-to-date.
- C. Most people don’t know its origin.
- D. It’s much more modern than realised.

Answer: B

13. David Epstein initially became interested in the line after

- A. seeing how it bothered lawyers.
- B. seeing how popular the line still is.
- C. seeing it on a t-shirt.
- D. seeing how people responded to it.

Answer: _____

14. Epstein feels that people

- A. don’t care what Shakespeare meant.
- B. don’t understand what Shakespeare meant.
- C. don’t accept what Shakespeare meant.
- D. don’t approve of what Shakespeare meant.

Answer: _____

15. What is Clive Anderson’s view of lawyers?

- A. Most of what they do is laughable.
- B. Many people think they worsen society.
- C. People only want to deal with them if it’s necessary.
- D. Their seriousness makes them unpopular.

Answer: _____

16. How does Anderson relate lawyers to other professions?

- A. Bankers are more respected than lawyers.
- B. The popularity of lawyers has improved recently.
- C. Many professions are now as unpopular as lawyers.
- D. We are more forgiving with other unliked professions.

Answer: _____

17. What reason is given as to why lawyers are so unpopular?

- A. We have to deal with them at times of crisis.
- B. They offer unsolicited advice.
- C. Their explanations confuse their clients.
- D. The fees charged are outrageous.

Answer: _____



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18. What point is made about lawyer's incomes?

- A. Most lawyers do unpaid work for people who can't afford them.
- B. All lawyers have the chance to do high-profile work.
- C. No one empathises with lawyers who aren't wealthy.
- D. Only lawyers who practice a certain kind of law get rich.

Answer: _____

19. What is said about the American legal system?

- A. The American system is extremely complicated.
- B. Americans like lawyers more than the British do.
- C. American lawyers aren't as well paid as British lawyers.
- D. Foreign lawyers cannot work in the United States

Answer: _____

20. What does Clive Anderson say about this type of joke?

- A. In the past it was acceptable to make these kinds of jokes.
- B. It is not something that people ought to laugh about.
- C. Today people don't understand this type of humour.
- D. It had led to unnecessary violence.

Answer: _____

Adapted from an audio file from *The Wall Street Journal*

Task 3:

You are going to listen to three radio news reports.

- For questions (21 -30) complete the gaps with the word or short phrase you hear on the recording.
- Do not change the word(s).
- There is an example (0) at the beginning.

Report 1 Internet Security:

The British Defence Secretary says that it is possible to form a

(21) _____ to protect Britain from cyber attacks.

These new specialists will work together with members

(22) _____ to protect the UK from hackers.

The Ministry of Defence (MOD) says that they are looking for candidates with

(23) _____ such as IT consultants.



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Report 2 British Heating Problems:

The Department of Health advises people who cannot heat their

(24) _____ to heat only certain parts.

This comes in the middle of a political debate about how to deal with rising

(25) _____.

The government stresses that Britain's

(26) _____ is leaky homes.

Report 3 National Health System:

The British government wants to get back money from

(27) _____ who go to the doctor while in England.

One problem the government has for determining the total amount for this problem is not having

(28) _____.

The total cost includes the money spent on

(29) _____ services, which are free anyway.

The British Medical Association says it has

(30) _____ about the validity of the quantity that could be obtained.