

*Listen to the following monologues and dialogues and choose one correct option a, b, c, or d. Mark your answer sheet as shown in the example. Please, do not write into the test booklet, please. You will hear each recording twice.*

**Example:**

**In the shop**

“I hope she’ll like it. I intended to buy her a perfume but when I saw this necklace I decided to go for it instead. It should go with her earrings. And she can buy a ring that would match the stone later on.”

**What did the man buy?**

- a) earrings
- b) ring
- c) perfume
- d) necklace

a      b      c      **Ⓓ**

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**Task 1**

**Going on holidays**

Man: I’m going on holiday next month, but to tell you the truth, I’m not feeling very happy about it. I’m a bit worried about my health.

Woman: Really! What a shame! You do look a bit pale. What’s the matter with you?

Man: Oh, nothing’s wrong with me now, but there may be insects out there that sting and bite. I’ve got this fear of being bitten by insects.

Woman: Nonsense. Just take some repellent for the insect bites.

Man: Yes, I will. I’m also taking some pills to help me to sleep on the plane, and to ease the pain if I get a headache.

**What are his worries before holidays?**

**He might get \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) a sunburn
- b) a disease
- c) a mosquito bite**
- d) in a plane crash

**Task 2**

**At a medical appointment**

A: Good morning, doctor.

B: Good morning, Mr Brown. What’s the matter?

A: Well, you prescribed me these tablets last week because of my bad cold and cough.

I take them four times a day, but I think they are too strong for me. I feel sleepy and I can hardly see.

B: That’s really bad. How often do you have colds?

A: Once or twice a year.

B: Well, so I'll prescribe you other tablets, they shouldn't have such side effects.  
Come for a check-up next Monday.

A: Thank you, doctor.

**What is true about the patient?**

He \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) needs tablets to sleep
- b) feels better than last week
- c) takes tablets twice a day
- d) needs another medicine

**Task 3**

**A student talking to his friend**

Tom: Geraldine, would you do me a big favour?

Geraldine: That depends on what it is.

Tom: It's my homework. I can't go to the French class. I'm going to the doctor's in the morning, and I wondered if you would give my homework, you know, the translation exercise, to the teacher for me. It's really important and I don't want to get into trouble.

Geraldine: Sure. For one minute I thought you were going to ask me to write it instead of you...

**What is Geraldine asked to do with his friend's homework?**

- a) to write it
- b) to hand it in
- c) to check it
- d) to translate it

**Task 4**

**Two friends talking**

Jeff: Hi, Alice. I haven't seen you for ages. I've heard you aren't single any more.

Alice: Hi, Jeff. Well, a lot of things have happened in my life. You know, I graduated from the university, got married, moved to a small house in the suburbs and found a job with a business company.

Jeff: Wow, that's great! My life hasn't changed so much since we last met. I still study law and live with my parents in a small flat downtown. But I hope I'll get a scholarship for a study abroad program. That's my dream.

Alice: Let's go for a cup of coffee, Jeff. You can tell me all about it.

**What do we know about the woman?**

She \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) is still single
- b) has a flat downtown
- c) lives in a house
- d) wants a scholarship

### Task 5

#### A telephone call in a hotel

Receptionist: Hello.

Woman: Good evening. I'd like a wake up call for tomorrow morning.

R: Certainly ma'am. At what time?

W: The meeting is in the town hall at 8 o'clock. It'll take me at least an hour to get there. Half past six would be the best I guess.

R: I can call a taxi for you. It only takes 10 minutes to get there that way.

W: Taxi is fine, but I don't want to change my wake up call. I'll take advantage of having more time to get ready for the meeting.

#### What time is the call for?

It is for \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) 6:30
- b) 7:00
- c) 7:50
- d) 8:00

### Task 6

#### At the real estate agent

Estate agent: What about this one? Only ten years old, three bedrooms. And it's in easy reach of the centre of town for shopping.

Woman: Well, it's a nice new house, and the location's nice, too, but...

Estate agent: A bit small, perhaps? Or draughty? Some people say that.

Woman: Well I think it may be outside our price range. What do you think, John?

#### Why won't the woman buy the house?

Because it is too \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) small
- b) draughty
- c) expensive
- d) old

### Task 7

#### Two friends talking

Female: Kate says that her shoulder doesn't hurt anymore.

Male: What does the doctor say?

Female: I don't know. Kate said she may not go and see him anymore. She feels fine and, besides, she is very busy and has no time to go to see him.

Male: She should have it looked at by the doctor again, anyway.

#### What does the man think Kate should do?

She should \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) get a better doctor
- b) go to see the doctor
- c) try not to hurt her shoulder
- d) look carefully at her shoulder

## **Task 8**

### **A woman talking**

I'd noticed this woman wandering around the shop and I really thought she was acting strangely. I got a bit suspicious because she kept picking things up and looking at them and then looking around nervously. I'm not allowed to move away from my counter so I called the security officer and she stopped the woman just after she walked out of the shop. She'd taken three sweaters and six pairs of gloves.

**Who is the speaker?**

**She is a \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) shop assistant
- b) customer
- c) store detective
- d) cleaning lady

## **Task 9**

### **Two friends talking**

Mary: You know Jane, I mean the girl I work with who loves mountain climbing, don't you?

Brian: Yes.

Mary: Well, do you know what she's just told me?

Brian: What?

Mary: That she's leaving the library next month!

Brian: Why?

Mary: She says she is fed up with lending books.

Brian: And what's she going to do?

Mary: She'd like to write her first book about climbers. She may become a famous writer!

**What is Jane's job?**

**She is a \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) climber
- b) student
- c) librarian
- d) writer

## **Task 10**

### **A conversation on a train**

A: "The train is so slow, isn't it? I can't wait to get home".

B: "Me neither. Coming back from work?"

A: "Well, yes. It was my first day at a new sports shop in New York. And we had a little celebration there on that occasion".

B: "Did it all go OK"?

A: "I think it went well even though it was pretty demanding".

**What did the man do?**

- a) spent holiday in New York

- b) celebrated his birthday
- c) just started a new job
- d) did some shopping

### **Task 11**

#### **An interview with a chef**

Female: What plans do you have for the future?

Male: Well, what I'd really like to do is a series on British cooking.

Female: But British food seems to have a bad reputation. I mean, foreigners always complain that it is tasteless and boring.

Male: You are wrong, not at all! Our tradition of slow cooking roasts and puddings is excellent. Moreover, it's very healthy...

**What does the chef think of the British food? It is \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) tasty
- b) unhealthy
- c) popular
- d) boring

### **Task 12**

#### **Two people talking**

A: "Well, Jane, have you made your plans for the weekend"?

B: "Yes, Mary and I agreed on going to the disco tonight".

A: "Just you and Mary? I don't think it's a good idea".

B: "Why not"?

A: "I don't want you to be out in the town late at night. Ask your brother to go with you".

B: "No way".

**Who are the people?**

- a) a boss and an employee
- b) a father and a daughter
- c) a brother and a sister
- d) a teacher and a student

### **Task 13**

#### **A man talking**

Mike: „OK, Well, Jessica, I'm sure you'll enjoy working here. My name is Mike and I'm a chief librarian. The library's closed today because we're moving things around but we're open again tomorrow and when the new term starts next week we'll be really busy.

We're open from eight in the morning until ten in the evening but you are not expected to be here all the time. You start at a quarter to eight and finish at a quarter past five, OK?"

**What do we know about the library?**

- a) They are changing opening hours.
- b) They are moving to a new place.
- c) They have a new employee.
- d) They are closed next week.

## Task 14

### A family conversation

Patricia: Good morning, Richard. Let's all have a big Sunday breakfast!

Richard: Not for me. I'm going to clear the snow away from the garden path.

Patricia: Why now? There wasn't that much snow last night ...

Richard: You don't believe me, darling? Come and have a look.

Patricia: Oh dear, you're right – there is a lot of snow! Well, I'll wake up Jane and we'll help you.

Richard: Let her sleep. She looked tired last night. Make a good vanilla cake for breakfast and I'll go to the garden to earn it!

Patricia: All right, then.

### What is the woman going to do?

She is going to \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) wake up Jane
- b) make breakfast
- c) help Richard
- d) clear the snow

## Task 15

### A phone conversation

Woman: Hello, can I help you?

Man: Hello. Can I book a seat for tonight's show?

Woman: Certainly. Do you want to pay now or later?

Man: I can pay by credit card, can't I?

Woman: Yes, sir. The seats are six pounds each. There's no booking fee.

Man: OK, It's a Visa card, number 4521 41245 445.

Woman: And the expiry date?

Man: April, 2009.

Woman: That's fine. Your tickets will be ready for you tonight. The programme starts at 7.45.

Man: Thanks. Bye.

### What is the man going to do tonight?

He is going to \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) perform a show
- b) book a flight
- c) get a credit card
- d) see performance

## Task 16

### Radio news

There has been a huge disconnection of rail services this morning as a result of heavy snow. A number of traffic jams have been reported in the eastern part of the country. The weather conditions are making driving hazardous. Drivers should avoid accidents by leaving their cars at home. Limited train service will be operating in the next few hours and delays are expected on all lines to the town.

**What should people avoid today?**

- a) changing trains
- b) driving a car**
- c) leaving a house
- d) going downtown

**Task 17**

**Concert tickets**

Man: Dave heard about the concert on the Internet and he bought his tickets last week.

Woman: Good for him! I didn't know anything about it until I saw a poster in the city centre. It was really funny because Jane and I were just saying how we'd really like to see the band live – and there it was!

**How did the woman find out about the concert?**

**From:**

- a) Jane
- b) a poster**
- c) the Internet
- d) Dave

**Task 18**

**From a radio programme**

Presenter: Mark Bates believes that we are at the beginning of a new information age and any of you who agree with him should have a look at a copy of his latest paperback. Mark simplifies as much of the technical language as possible and gives a brief but absorbing history of computers and the uses to which they've been put. He supplies a clear and concise picture of the future effects on education, business and the home, that's both scary and exciting.

**What is being reviewed?**

**It is \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) a computer program
- b) a new book**
- c) a video cassette
- d) an instruction manual

**Task 19**

**In the street**

Woman: Excuse me. Will the number 24 bus get me to the airport?

Man: Well, it goes in that direction, but it doesn't actually go as far as the airport, so you'll have to walk or take a taxi. Umm...the bus you need is the number 11, but it doesn't go from here, I'm afraid. Go round the corner and there is the bus stop right next to the railway station.

Woman: Thank you very much.

**How will the woman get to the airport?**

**She will go by\_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) train
- b) No 24 bus
- c) a taxi
- d) No 11 bus

### **Task 20**

#### **A man talking**

Well, when I left school yesterday I definitely had my books with me; I remember putting them in my bag. And then I went straight to the library. I like working there because it's quiet and I can get all my work done before I go home. I finished my homework, and then I drove home. And when I got home, I took out the books from my bag, but I couldn't believe it. They weren't mine! I'd picked somebody else's books by mistake.

#### **Where did the student leave his books?**

- a) in the library
- b) at school
- c) at home
- d) in his car

### **Task 21**

#### **From a conversation**

James: Can I have my bill, please? Can I pay by credit card or cheque?

Receptionist: Yes, we take both.

James: I'll pay by credit card then.

Receptionist: That's fine. I hope you enjoyed your stay here?

James: Oh yes, very much and I'll never forget your restaurant. The meals are delicious. I'm sure I will be back in April when the conference on software takes place.

Receptionist: We'll be delighted to see you again, Mr Turner. Good bye and have a safe flight home.

James: Thank you. Good bye.

#### **Where is the man?**

- a) in a bank
- b) at a hotel
- c) in a restaurant
- d) at an airport

### **Task 22**

#### **A couple talking**

Man: Honey, the basketball game is about to start. And could you bring some chips and a bowl of ice cream? And a slice of pizza from the fridge.

Woman: Anything else?

Man: Nope, that's all for now. And you know, they're organizing a company basketball team, and I'm thinking about joining. What do you think?

Woman: Well . . . you ought to at least have a medical check up before you begin. I mean, it HAS been at least five years since you played at all.

**The woman says the man should \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) change his eating habits
- b) see his doctor**
- c) start with exercising
- d) watch the game

### **Task 23**

#### **Two friends talking about a trip**

Jake: Japan! Sounds exciting! Business or pleasure, Jessica?

Jessica: Well, some pleasure, but the trip's being paid for, so it's really business.

Jake: Did you win a scholarship or something?

Jessica: No, although I expect or, rather, I hope I'll learn some Japanese while I'm there, but in fact this language school in Tokyo wants me to do a big picture in each of eight rooms to show English life and scenery.

**Why is Jessica going to Japan?**

**She is going there \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) to study Japanese art
- b) to do some painting**
- c) to learn Japanese
- d) to teach English

### **Task 24**

#### **A store announcement**

“Hello Shoppers. We have a boy here named Marshall who was found in the sporting goods section of our store, and he's looking for his mom. He's five years old, and he's wearing a blue and white sweat shirt, trousers, and a black and white baseball cap. You can find him at the check-out counter at the main exit. Thank you.”

**The announcement informs about \_\_\_\_\_.**

- a) a clothes shop
- b) a lost child**
- c) a check-out service
- d) a sale of sports goods

### **Task 25**

#### **A part of a conversation**

Woman: “...then at the end of Market Street you come to Sydney Street. Turn right and follow that street round a bend past Marks and Spencer's and Boots and eventually it leads into St Andrew Street. Go down there, leaving the pedestrian precinct and keep walking and soon you'll see the University Arms Hotel on your left.”

**What is she doing?**

- a) giving directions**
- b) shopping in the city centre
- c) describing the town
- d) looking for a hotel