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Introduction to the ECCE

GRAMMAR, VOCABULARY, READING (GVR)	
Time	75 minutes
Description	GRAMMAR (multiple choice) An incomplete sentence is followed by a choice of words or phrases to complete it. Only one choice is grammatically correct.
Number of Items	15
Description	VOCABULARY (multiple choice) An incomplete sentence is followed by a choice of words or phrases to complete it. Only one word has the correct meaning in that context.
Number of Items	14
Description	READING (multiple choice) Two short reading passages, each on a different topic. Each passage is followed by six comprehension questions. Two sets of four short texts related to each other by topic. Each set is followed by twelve questions.
Number of Items	36

SPEAKING

Time	15 minutes
Description	A structured oral interaction occurs between the examinee and the oral examiner. The interaction involves a visual prompt.
Number of Items	<p>4 stages</p> <p><i>Stage 1:</i> Candidate answers general personal questions.</p> <p><i>Stage 2:</i> Candidate is given a prompt that includes a short text and pictures about a problem or situation. The candidate asks the examiner questions in order to get information to make a decision.</p> <p><i>Stage 3:</i> Candidate presents a solution or opinion about the problem or situation that has been discussed in Stage 2 with an explanation about why that solution or opinion is best. Examiners will also ask why the other solution or opinion was not chosen.</p> <p><i>Stage 4:</i> Candidate answers further questions that are related to the topic introduced by the prompt.</p>

LISTENING

Time	45 minutes
Description	<p>PART 1 (multiple choice)</p> <p>A short recorded conversation is followed by a question. Answer choices are shown as pictures.</p>
Number of Items	25
Description	<p>PART 2 (multiple choice)</p> <p>Four extended talks on different topics, each followed by five questions. The questions are printed in the test booklet and time is given before each talk to preview the questions. There are four answer choices for each question. Answer choices are printed in the test booklet. The recording for Part 2 is heard twice.</p>
Number of Items	20

WRITING

Time	30 minutes
Description	Candidates write a letter / email or an essay giving their opinion on a situation or issue.
Number of Items	1 task

Practice Test 1

WRITING

For the writing section, choose either Task 1 (Email / Letter) or Task 2 (Essay). Write on only ONE of these tasks. You will have 30 minutes to write your letter / email or essay. You should write about one page.

Writing Prompt

TASK 1: Letter

The local city council is thinking of building a new sports center in your area. They want community members to suggest where the sports center should be built.

- Write a **letter** to the city council to explain your opinion. Give reasons to support your ideas.
- Start your letter, "Dear City Council Members".

TASK 2: Essay

In today's society more and more young people are becoming addicted to drugs. In order to combat the problem, some people are calling for them to be made legal. They argue that if this were done, drugs would lose their attraction.

- Write an **essay** on whether you agree or disagree with the statement above.
- Include specific reasons and details to support your opinion.

LISTENING Part 1

In this part, you will hear 25 short conversations. After each conversation, you will hear a question about it. You will hear each conversation and question once. The answer choices are shown as pictures. You should mark your answers A, B, or C.

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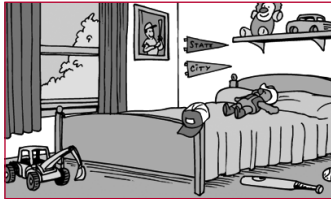


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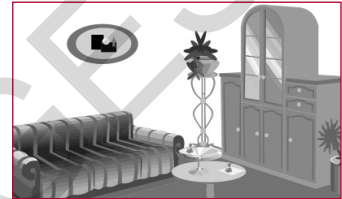
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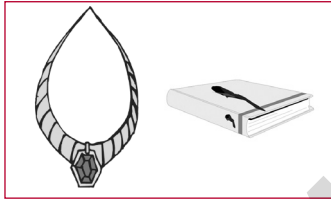


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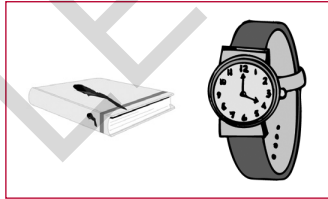


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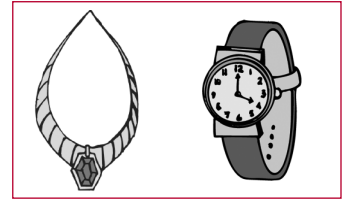
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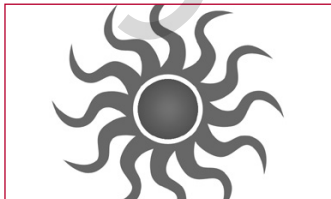


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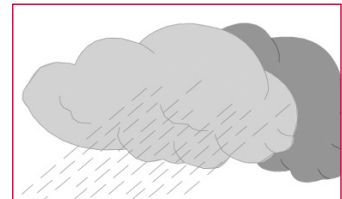
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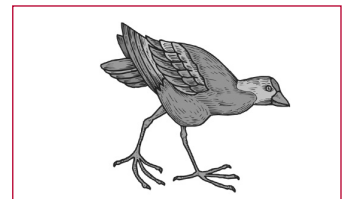
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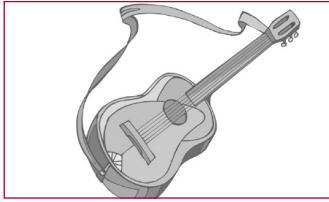
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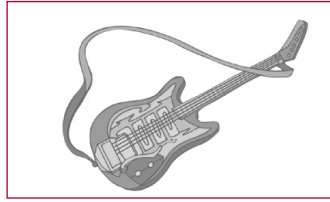
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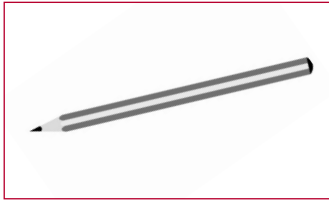


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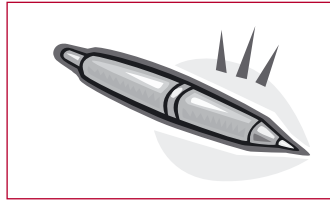


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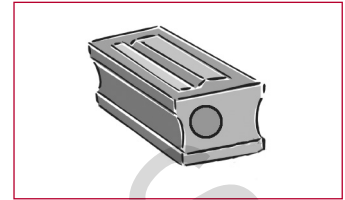
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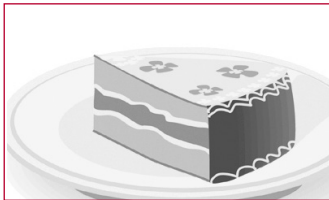


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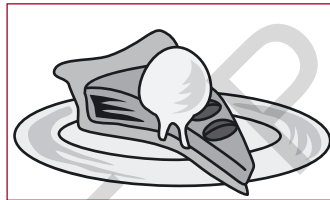


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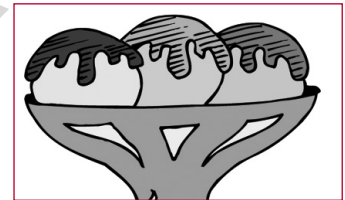
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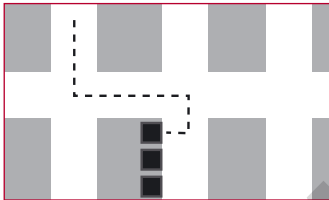


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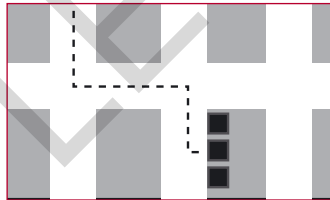


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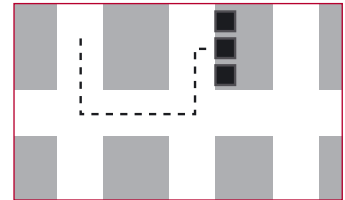
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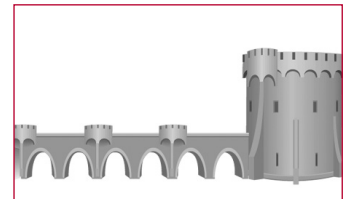
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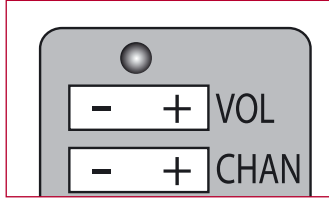
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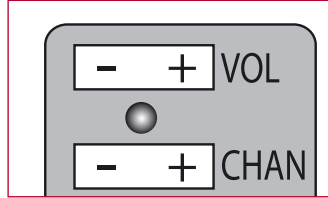
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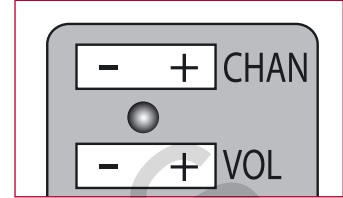
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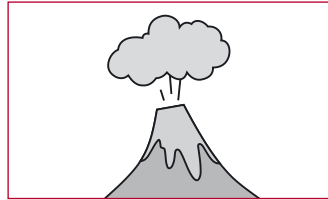


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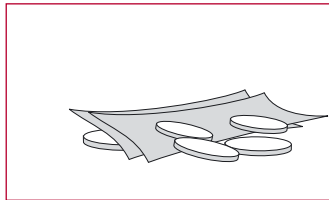


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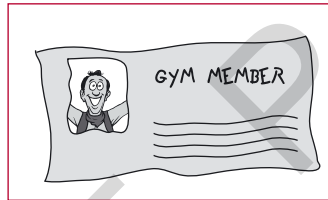


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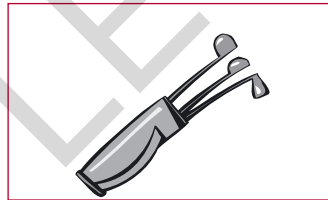


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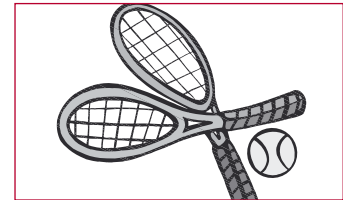
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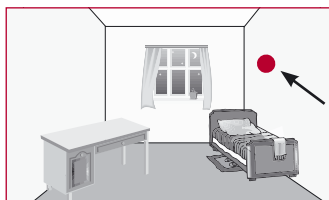


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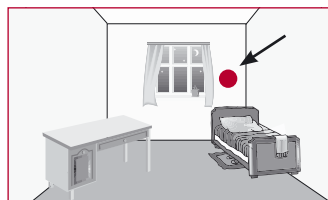


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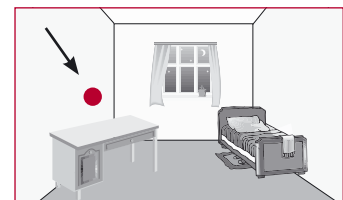
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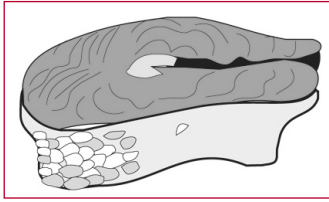


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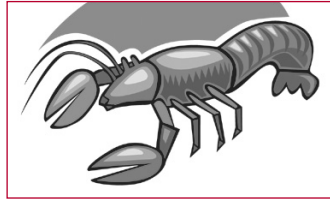


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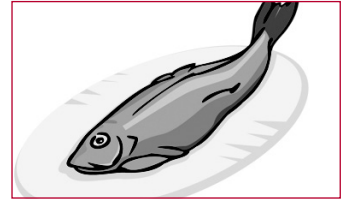
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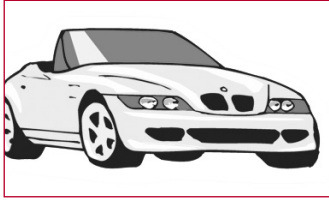


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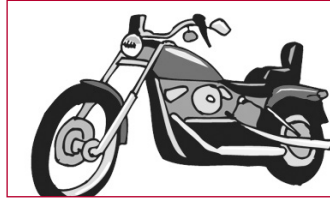


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LISTENING *Part 2*

In this part, you will hear four short talks. After each talk, you will hear five questions about it. Before each talk begins, you will have time to preview the questions.

You will hear each talk twice. Then you will hear the questions once. If you want to, you may take notes in the space provided, as you listen. You should mark your answers A, B, C, or D.

[You may take notes in the space below.]

SAMPLE PAGES

Now you will hear the first talk. Look at the questions. Listen to part of a radio show.

- 26 What feature is uncommon in chihuahuas?
- a big eyes
 - b liveliness
 - c slender legs
 - d long hair
- 27 According to the speaker, what dogs tend to have health problems?
- a all dogs
 - b pedigree dogs
 - c small dogs
 - d chihuahuas only
- 28 What health problem do chihuahuas tend to suffer from?
- a hyperactivity
 - b lack of appetite and sudden weight loss
 - c too much sugar in the blood
 - d low levels of sugar in the blood
- 29 When and how much should chihuahuas be fed?
- a frequently and a lot
 - b frequently and a little
 - c infrequently and a lot
 - d infrequently and a little
- 30 How can a chihuahua help its owner?
- a by keeping mice away
 - b by frightening intruders
 - c by warning of danger
 - d by preventing fires

Notes

Now you will hear the second talk. Look at the questions. Listen to an audio tour.

- 31 What is suggested about the prisoners who were held in Alcatraz?
- a They stayed there for over thirty years.
 - b They had escaped by the 1960s.
 - c They were not held there for very long.
 - d They were particularly dangerous.
- 32 What is said about Robert Stroud?
- a He helped to build the prison.
 - b He helped the prison to become successful.
 - c He was the toughest prisoner in the prison.
 - d He helped the prison earn its reputation.
- 33 Why was the island named "Alcatraz"?
- a It is the Spanish word for a type of bird seen there.
 - b It is the name of a flower found only on the island.
 - c It was the name of the explorer who discovered the island.
 - d It is the Spanish word for "prisoner".
- 34 What happened in the late 1960s?
- a A battle was fought on the island.
 - b Alcatraz released its last prisoner.
 - c The island was used to hold a protest.
 - d Alcatraz was given to native American tribes.
- 35 What does the speaker mean when she says: ⚡
- a There may have been a successful escape.
 - b Despite attempts, no one managed to escape.
 - c It has been proven that prisoners successfully escaped.
 - d Nobody ever tried to break out of Alcatraz.

Now you will hear the third talk. Look at the questions. Listen to an announcement for a music festival.

- 36 Who has played at the festival before?
- a Good Shoes
 - b Placebo
 - c Kaiser Chiefs
 - d Iggy Pop
- 37 What information is given about festival tickets?
- a There are three types of tickets available.
 - b Tickets must be paid for in advance.
 - c There is a discount on tickets on May 1st.
 - d A \$95 ticket is valid for three days.
- 38 To pay for a ticket by credit card before the event, what should you do?
- a go to any music store
 - b call the hotline
 - c call the festival office
 - d visit the festival website
- 39 Why might someone call the festival office?
- a to arrange a guided tour
 - b to reserve transportation tickets
 - c for information about the festival schedule
 - d to pay for tickets by credit card
- 40 What is the number of the festival office?
- a 908-9532
 - b 908-7222
 - c 908-9523
 - d 908-9352

Notes

Now you will hear the fourth talk. Look at the questions. Listen to a talk by a health counselor.

- 41 What does the speaker say about sleep-related problems?
- a They do not affect many people.
 - b They can be caused by anxiety.
 - c Symptoms rarely last longer than a few days.
 - d They mainly affect active people.
- 42 What are sufferers advised to do?
- a get plenty of exercise
 - b avoid stress
 - c take short naps whenever they feel sleepy
 - d adopt a regular sleep routine
- 43 What is probably unhelpful before you go to bed?
- a taking a hot bath
 - b turning the lights down
 - c watching TV
 - d drinking warm milk
- 44 What is the speaker's opinion of over-the-counter remedies?
- a They should be used with caution.
 - b They are rarely successful.
 - c They are not addictive.
 - d They should only be used as a last resort.
- 45 What is the main purpose of the talk?
- a to provide information about the nation's sleeping habits.
 - b to give tips on how to stay awake
 - c to provide information about sleep-related disorders
 - d to suggest solutions to a common problem

GRAMMAR, VOCABULARY & READING

GRAMMAR

Choose the word or phrase that best completes the sentence.

- 46 He asked cigarette.
 a me for a c me a
 b of me for a d me
- 47 Many countries around the world are financial help.
 a a need for
 b need of
 c in need of
 d the need for
- 48 "What did you think of his lecture?"
 "I'm afraid I didn't find it at all "
 a interesting
 b interested
 c interest
 d interestingly
- 49 Can I keep this few days?
 a more c other
 b some d another
- 50 While the house, we were staying with my parents.
 a painted
 b was being painted
 c was painting
 d has been painted
- 51, I felt very lonely when I was little.
 a Only child as I am
 b As far as an only child
 c Being as an only child
 d As an only child
- 52 Who would have trusted them.
 a only but a fool
 b but fool
 c but a foolish
 d but a fool
- 53 This dictionary is so old it's beginning to fall
 a down
 b in
 c apart
 d off
- 54 loves children, she doesn't have any of her own.
 a Joanna, who
 b Joanna
 c In spite of Joanna
 d Although Joanna
- 55 Please, tell your children their music so loud.
 a not to play
 b don't play
 c aren't playing
 d not playing
- 56 He got the work on time.
 a do
 b to do
 c doing
 d done
- 57 The results were
 a like follow
 b as following
 c as follow
 d as follows
- 58 We are going to watch a DVD after we dinner.
 a are having
 b will have
 c will have had
 d have
- 59 interested in becoming members of the club should contact this number.
 a This
 b That
 c These
 d Those
- 60 I really can't stand to classical music. It's so boring!
 a listening
 b to be listening
 c listen
 d to listen

VOCABULARY

Choose the word or phrase that best completes the sentence.

- 61 Could you the table for lunch, please?
 a place
 b set
 c put
 d lie
- 62 Tim was for causing the accident.
 a accused
 b charged
 c convicted
 d blamed
- 63 I'm sorry I'm late. I the bus.
 a lost
 b forgot
 c failed
 d missed
- 64 , there have been a lot of muggings in this area.
 a Frequently
 b Nowadays
 c Recently
 d Presently
- 65 Rebecca has to her younger sister this afternoon.
 a look after
 b take over
 c look up to
 d take after
- 66 I could tell at that she was upset.
 a short notice
 b a glance
 c a guess
 d a glimpse
- 67 She has been a(n) of Dr. Jeffries for years.
 a believer
 b patient
 c customer
 d attendant
- 68 Should you wish to the information, use the Internet.
 a reside
 b recruit
 c access
 d apply
- 69 Do you want to see the I brought back from my vacation in Italy?
 a memories
 b samples
 c examples
 d souvenirs
- 70 I'm going downtown later; would you like me to you a ride?
 a keep
 b give
 c hand
 d take
- 71 Her angry look was a that he had just said the wrong thing.
 a sign
 b motion
 c note
 d signal
- 72 As soon as she saw the advertisement, she decided to for the job.
 a request
 b donate
 c subscribe
 d apply
- 73 You must be tired. You can't stop
 a yawning
 b blinking
 c frowning
 d stretching
- 74 The of this glass is chipped.
 a spout
 b rim
 c verge
 d brink

READING

This passage is about chocolate.

The cocoa bean originated in Central America. Thousands of years ago, the native Indians believed it was of divine origin, which explains the name's meaning: 'food of the gods'. It was made into a drink which we would probably find unpleasant nowadays, but which was popular at the time. Cocoa beans were later used by the Aztecs as currency.

It was the Spanish that first exported the beans to Europe. Chocolate drinks became a popular luxury in Italy and France early in the 17th century, and soon afterwards in Holland, Germany and England. Expensive 'chocolate houses' appeared alongside the coffee houses. In 1828, Van Houten, a Dutch manufacturer, improved the method of making chocolate, and its popularity spread quickly throughout Europe and later around the world.

New research shows our favorite candy is actually supplying vital elements to our bodies – and can even help us lose weight. What's more, it turns out that chocolate contains essential minerals, such as iron, calcium and potassium, as well as vitamins. Adults will be pleased to learn that children do not have a monopoly as far as the benefits of chocolate are concerned. Chocolate is considered cholesterol-free, making it good for adults as well.

Where we go wrong, however, is in choosing sweet snacks that are high in sugar, when, in fact, we ought to be looking for high-quality chocolate, containing at least 60% cocoa. By eating chocolate with as much cocoa in the recipe as possible, we can satisfy our desire without having too much sugar.

- 75 In the second sentence of the first paragraph, what does the word **divine** mean?
- a luxurious
 - b holy
 - c healthy
 - d rare
- 76 What do we learn about the cocoa bean?
- a It was popular with the Spanish.
 - b It was first exported to Central America.
 - c It was used only by the Aztecs.
 - d It was once used as money.
- 77 Based on the information in paragraph 2, what is true about the chocolate drink?
- a It was only drunk by the French in the 17th century.
 - b It was drunk mostly by the wealthy.
 - c It was only drunk in coffee houses.
 - d It was never drunk in Holland or Germany.
- 78 Why did the popularity of chocolate spread?
- a It was fashionable and expensive in the 19th century.
 - b It was available only in Europe.
 - c A better way was found to make it.
 - d Cocoa was grown worldwide.
- 79 What has been proven about chocolate?
- a It is good for both adults and children.
 - b It is rather unhealthy.
 - c It contains too much sugar.
 - d It is better for adults than children.
- 80 What is wrong with the chocolate we usually eat?
- a There is no cocoa in the recipe.
 - b It contains too much sugar.
 - c It lacks essential vitamins.
 - d It contains only 60% of the nutrients we need.

READING

This passage is about Alfred Hitchcock.

Born on August 13th, 1899 in London, England, Alfred Joseph Hitchcock was to become one of the most important figures in the 20th century movie-making industry.

Hitchcock entered the world of film production as a title card designer at the age of twenty-one, and within three years had risen to scriptwriter. His career as a director began with the feature film *The Pleasure Garden* (1923), and following its success, Hitchcock went on to make a string of suspense movies, or “psychological thrillers”, with which his name is associated. At forty years of age, Hitchcock emigrated to America and within a year had won an Academy Award for the film *Rebecca* (1940). “Hitch” – as the Americans called him – turned out more than thirty films over the next three decades, many of which featured Hollywood’s most acclaimed actors.

Dubbed the “Master of Suspense”, Hitchcock was certainly a master planner when it came to directing. He would map out the entire movie in his mind before attempting to shoot it. Working methodically and with the utmost precision, his was the final word on how the movie was to be put together. In 1979, after an unparalleled career in the movie industry, Hitchcock received the AFI (American Film Industry) Life Achievement Award. In the following year, he received a knighthood from Queen Elizabeth II, shortly before his death in California on April 29th, 1980.

- 81 When did Alfred Hitchcock make his first movie?
- a When he was a title card designer.
 - b At the age of twenty-one.
 - c Before he became a scriptwriter.
 - d When he was around twenty-four.
- 82 In the second sentence of paragraph 2, what does the word **its** refer to?
- a the movie industry
 - b a film
 - c Hitchcock’s career
 - d film production
- 83 What is true about Alfred Hitchcock?
- a He left Britain before 1940.
 - b He went to America to collect an award.
 - c He left Britain in order to become famous.
 - d He went to America to star in *Rebecca*.
- 84 What are we told about the actors that worked with Hitchcock?
- a They were American.
 - b They were well respected.
 - c They were stylish.
 - d They were well paid.
- 85 What does the author say about Hitchcock’s way of working?
- a He was skeptical.
 - b He was a perfectionist.
 - c He was open-minded.
 - d He was flexible.
- 86 Which word best describes Hitchcock’s career?
- a unexpected
 - b satisfactory
 - c distinguished
 - d thrilling

GRAND OPENING!

A

Come to the new Parklands Mall – just off the Parklands Interchange – this Saturday June 15th, where special events will be taking place all day in celebration of our grand opening. The Parklands Shopping Mall boasts over 300 stores, a giant food court with 25 different food outlets, a five-screen cinema, an ice rink and a 2000-space parking lot.

Pop star Melinda Daniels will be cutting the ribbon, while clowns, musicians, magicians and jugglers will be waiting inside to ensure your shopping experience is unforgettable!

Our endless variety of stores will be offering unbeatable bargains for all the family – so don't forget to bring the kids!

C

HELP WANTED!

Higgins Clothes, a modern menswear store about to open up in the new Parklands Shopping Mall, is looking for sales clerks. Candidates for the job should have a good sense of style, a way with people and a lot of energy and enthusiasm. Experience is not necessary as training will be provided. Both full-time and part-time (Saturday) positions are available. Candidates must be able to make their own way to the shopping mall, as transportation is not provided.

Interested? Then send your résumé along with a cover letter to Jim Scott or fill out our online application form at www.higginsclothes.com.

A Mixed Blessing?

B

I am not one to stand in the way of progress, and in general I welcome new products, experiences and developments. But it is with a heavy heart that I await the opening of a shopping mall within easy driving distance of our town – Parklands, which my editor insists I check out on its opening day.

I've heard it said that it will provide jobs for our young people and indeed, my niece has found a job flipping burgers in one of the fast-food joints there, but we need to understand that ours is not the only town in the area around the mall. In fact, there are at least ten – even more if you count the fact that people are willing to go that

little bit further for a bargain.

Because, yes, the mall will offer bargains, and sales and special offers and other things the stores in our town don't offer. And then there is the added convenience of it all being under one roof, so you don't have to scurry from store to store during the wet fall and freezing winter months. Yes, the shopping mall will be a success, I'm sure, and soon we will see the stores in our town close down, one after the other, unable to compete.

This is progress, I suppose, but I've lived all my life in this town, and I always felt we had something special, something timeless, but I now feel that slipping away.

Dear Jim Scott,

D

I am writing this letter in response to your advertisement in the Winchester Bugle on June 10th. I am interested in applying for the position of sales clerk.

Although you say in the advertisement that experience is not necessary. I have worked in my father's clothes store for several years, but now I need a job that pays more than an allowance. Apparel has always been extremely important to me as I am a strong believer in first impressions, and I believe I can communicate my enthusiasm to the customer.

Enclosed is my résumé, in which you will find further details. I am aware that this letter may reach you after the 15th, but I hope this will not disqualify me from getting a job with you.

Sincerely,

Justin Boddington

READING

Refer to page 44 when answering the questions below.

The following questions refer to section A.

- 87 What should shoppers expect at Parklands Mall on opening day?
- a a performance by a celebrity
 - b free food
 - c entertainment aimed at children
 - d difficulty finding a place to park
- 88 Who will be opening the mall?
- a a funny clown
 - b a juggler
 - c a magician
 - d a famous singer
- 89 What is the main purpose of section A?
- a to increase the number of shoppers
 - b to advertise what makes the mall different
 - c to promote the mall's first day of business
 - d to support local performing artists

The following questions refer to section B.

- 90 How does the writer feel about the mall?
- a fairly negative
 - b quite positive
 - c unconcerned
 - d nostalgic
- 91 What advantage does the mall offer for the writer's town?
- a a shelter from harsh weather
 - b employment opportunities
 - c stores the town does not have
 - d a timeless experience
- 92 In the last sentence of paragraph 2, what does **ten** refer to?
- a stores
 - b areas
 - c towns
 - d fast-food restaurants

The following question refers to section C.

- 93 What would a good candidate have?
- a their own transportation
 - b the ability to work on weekdays
 - c experience
 - d shyness

The following questions refer to section D.

- 94 What is the problem with Justin's present job?
- a He works long hours.
 - b He has worked there for many years.
 - c He doesn't get along with his father.
 - d He doesn't earn enough money.
- 95 In the third sentence of paragraph 2, what does the word **apparel** mean?
- a make-up
 - b behavior
 - c clothing
 - d approval
- 96 What is the author's tone?
- a hesitant
 - b persuasive
 - c irritated
 - d exhilarated

The following questions refer to two or more sections.

- 97 Who will not be working in the mall on its opening day?
- a Melinda Daniels
 - b the writer of section B
 - c Jim Scott
 - d Justin Boddington
- 98 What can we understand about the location of the Parklands Mall?
- a It is not within walking distance of any urban area.
 - b It is in the town where the writer of section B lives.
 - c It is in a city in the middle of the state.
 - d It is too far to drive to in one day.

MEMO

From: Mike Franklin
To: All staff
Subject: Annual Fun Run

A

Just a reminder that June 5th is the date of the Yorktown charity fun run this year. As the town's largest business, we are the main sponsor of the event, and encourage staff to participate either in the actual race itself or in the running of the event. There are a number of jobs volunteers are needed for:

- Handing out water to runners at the three refreshment points on the twelve-mile route.
- Manning the start / finish line.
- Cooking and handing out food at the post-run barbecue in Battersby Park.
- Collecting donations from spectators and passers-by during the day.

As you probably know, all the money raised goes to our local hospital to purchase whatever equipment they are most in need of. The barbecue afterwards is a lovely way to spend the afternoon, and we encourage employees to bring their families along.

If you're interested in running or would like to get involved in the organization, come and see me before the end of the week. Many thanks!

The Yorktown Charity Fun Run B

Start: 12 noon outside Battersby Park
Finish line: the gates of Battersby Park

The route of the run is the same as last year, and is clearly marked. It takes the runners through the center of town, across the river and down through Riverside Park, before they cross back over the river, go down Ayres Street and through the gates of the park to finish. There are three water points – the first at the town hall, then Norton Bridge and finally Corbett Bridge. There will also be medical teams at each of these, in case they are needed.

Please remember that this is a fun run, not a competition. Participants can complete it as quickly or as slowly as they want. The barbecue in the park doesn't start until 4 p.m., so that should give everyone plenty of time.

Sponsorship forms are available online, from the town hall or from any of our various sponsors.

C

Vital Equipment Shortages at Mercy

The government cutbacks in recent months are starting to have an effect on the local community, with Mercy Hospital in Yorktown announcing that without outside help, they will start running out of basic supplies and equipment by the end of the year.

This historical institution, one of the only places left in the entire county for the uninsured, has seen its funding cut by 35%, and now depends on donations to make up the difference.

Yorktown Insurance Newsletter D

It's time to get your running shoes on again!

As head of public relations at Yorktown Insurance, Mike Franklin has the responsibility of showing people that the largest insurance company in the state has a human face.

It is for this reason that he believes sponsorship of the annual Yorktown fun run is so important. It also provides an opportunity for staff to feel they are doing more than just punching in and out every day; to feel they are part of an organization that has close ties with the community.

'For me, public relations is about actually doing things, not having some fake image,' he says. 'Making sure a charity hospital like Mercy remains open may not make good business sense for an insurance company, but it makes great community sense, and we are all part of the community, and I for one will be at this year's event, trying to get all the people who come along to give up a little of their cash.'

READING

Refer to page 46 when answering the questions below.

The following questions refer to section A.

- 99 What will volunteers who are not running be doing?
- a giving out food before the run
 - b collecting money outside the local hospital
 - c selling water to runners
 - d helping to ensure the run goes smoothly
- 100 What would volunteers do?
- a Hand out water to race spectators.
 - b Show runners where the finishing line is.
 - c Cook food before the race.
 - d Collect money from people.
- 101 What is the main purpose of section A?
- a to raise money for the local hospital
 - b to persuade staff to donate money
 - c to inform staff of their duties
 - d to encourage workers to help out with the fun run

The following questions refer to section B.

- 102 In which order will runners reach these points?
- a Ayres Street, Norton Bridge, Riverside Park
 - b Riverside Park, Ayres Street, Norton Bridge
 - c Norton Bridge, Riverside Park, Ayres Street
 - d Norton Bridge, Ayres Street, Riverside Park
- 103 What should participants bear in mind?
- a That they shouldn't overdo it.
 - b That they should run as fast as they can.
 - c That they should contact the town hall for an application form.
 - d That they shouldn't be late for the barbecue.
- 104 In the final sentence of paragraph 1, what does **these** refer to?
- a the runners
 - b the bridges
 - c the water points
 - d the medical teams

The following questions refer to section C.

- 105 Who are the cutbacks affecting the most?
- a those who do not have medical insurance
 - b residents of Yorktown
 - c employees of historical institutions
 - d staff at Mercy Hospital

- 106 In the second paragraph, what does the word **its** refer to?

- a Mercy Hospital
- b the government
- c the local community
- d the whole county

The following questions refer to section D.

- 107 What do staff of the insurance company gain from participation in the fun run?
- a an opportunity to punch someone
 - b financial benefits
 - c a sense of belonging
 - d time off
- 108 Why does the insurance company sponsor the event?
- a to show that it cares
 - b to help it get more business
 - c to pretend it is not just interested in profits
 - d to give its staff something to do

The following questions refer to two or more sections.

- 109 Which sections include information about the hospital?
- a A, B and C
 - b A, B and D
 - c B, C and D
 - d A, C and D
- 110 What will Mike Franklin probably be doing at 12.30 on June 5th?
- a handing out food
 - b collecting money
 - c running
 - d eating

SPEAKING**Answer the questions.**

- What year are you in at school?
- Do you enjoy school?
- What's your favorite subject?

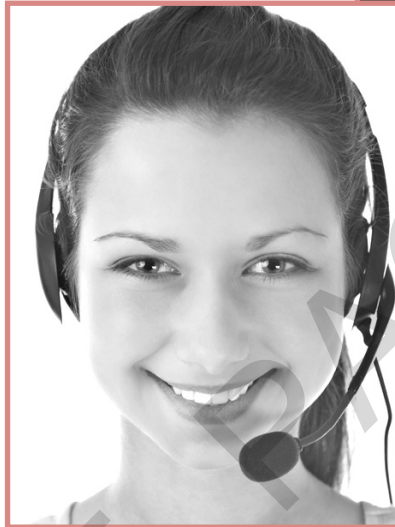
Situation

My cousin Sally has just finished high school. She has just been offered a great new position as a tour guide. If she takes this new job, she will spend a large part of the summer in Paris. She needs to decide if she will accept the new position or not. Tell me what advice you think I should give her.

First

You should look at the pictures and ask:

- What are her options?
- What is the advantage to each option?
- What is the disadvantage to each option?

OPTION 2**OPTION 1****Then**

When you have all the information you need, explain which option would be best and why. Be ready to explain why you didn't choose the other option. You can choose one of the options given or present a plan that you believe would be better. Remember to use information you learn from asking questions to explain your final choice.

Finally

After you have shared your decision, you will be asked more questions about the topic.

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