Questions 1-5

Look at the text in each question. What does it say?
Choose A, B or C.

Example:

0

This ticket is good for unlimited visits to the History Museum and the Art Museum within seven days of purchase.

A The ticket is free.

B The ticket can be used at seven museums.

C The ticket can be used at both museums for a week.

Answer: 0 A B C

1

STAFF PARTY ! !
If you are going to attend the party on Saturday, you must contact me by Wednesday afternoon. Please remember to tell me if you are bringing any guests along.
Ellen Johnson

A If you are not bringing a guest, you don't have to contact Ellen.

B Wednesday afternoon is the latest time to tell Ellen if you are going to the party.

C Staff members should not contact Ellen about the party before Wednesday.

2

Children under the age of twelve must be accompanied by an adult.

A Each adult must be with a child who is 12 or younger.

B Children up to the age of twelve have to be with an adult.

C One adult cannot accompany more than one child.
3
Lisa,  
Your piano student, Mark, phoned - he wants to know if you can have Wednesday’s lesson at 5pm instead of 7pm. Let him know by Tuesday!  
Ed

What does Mark want to do?
A  change the time of the lesson
B  move the lesson from Wednesday to Tuesday
C  have one lesson on Tuesday and another on Wednesday

4

ENTRÉES
All of our meals are served with a small salad and your choice of chips or rice.

A  A salad is included in the price of the meal.
B  Each meal comes with both chips and rice.
C  You must pay extra if you want a salad with your meal.

5
Irene,  
I think I left my gloves at your office. Could you check? I can pick them up on my way to the gym this afternoon, if that’s OK.  
Jack

Jack will probably find his gloves...
A  at the gym.
B  in his house.
C  at Irene’s office.
These people are all looking for a book to borrow from the library. Read the eight descriptions. Decide which book would be the most suitable for the following people.

Questions 6-10
Choose the correct letter A-H.

6. Martin is a professor of mathematics at a well-known university. He likes modern art and enjoys cycling with friends in his free time.

7. Susan is a very busy 16-year-old student. When she has a bit of free time, she likes to write poems and stories and to read fiction by other teenagers.

8. Robert is a teacher who loves doing voluntary work at the local history museum. In his spare time, he likes to read everything he can about the history of the area so that he can answer all the visitors’ questions.

9. Susan is a police officer who likes cooking, and often takes part in theatrical performances put on by her local community theatre group. She enjoys non-fiction reading that is related to her hobbies.

10. Joe is a sports fan who likes reading stories about adventurous young people, especially when they tell us something about different places. He’s got lots of pets at home and hopes to be a vet in the future.
This month, our staff recommends....

A  Playing the Part
Actor Stephen Harris’ autobiography includes incredible descriptions of the Jamaica of his childhood, as well as a humorous view of his role as the baby in a family of eight. Readers will enjoy the details of his once-in-a-lifetime experiences on the stage of some of New York City’s most famous theatres and his thoughts on being a star in Hollywood today.

B  Yesterday’s Painters, Today’s Inspiration
This book offers a look at the history of painting through the eyes of a modern painter. Though the subject is fascinating, the writing is aimed mainly at artists and experts in the field. The information is beautifully presented with high-quality images, and would make a wonderful gift for a painter or art student.

C  Thirty Days
This first-hand account of a zoology student’s month-long experience helping to protect Africa’s endangered big cats is both informative and heart-warming. 21-year-old Lilly Mason teaches us about these creatures’ importance to the planet’s eco-system. Then she provides an in-depth introduction to three of her favourite four-footed friends: Victor, Sandy, and Queen B.

D  Free Throw
You don’t have to like basketball to enjoy Nicholas Stenson’s latest novel. What it’s really about is the game of life. The main character is Stella, a sweet and funny 15-year-old who is always doing the wrong thing, both on and off the basketball court. This fun-filled novel is well-written, with believable characters and brilliant dialogue.

E  Centre Avenue Mysteries: The Red Hat
The third book in the series will not disappoint fans of Joanna Smith’s teenage crime-solving team. The mystery of the red hat is by far the most unusual case in the series so far, and the fast pace of the writing is sure to hold your attention. The ending will probably surprise even the most experienced crime-story readers.

F  City Stories
The authors of this powerful collection are all secondary-school students who live in our city! The book was their idea, and their English teacher helped to edit the stories. The city centre serves as the background for all the stories, and each one deals with a timeless theme, such as love and loss, in a truly unique way.

G  Life through Letters
Historian Paul Maxwell has collected and edited nineteenth-century letters written by people from our area which describe their daily joys and hardships. This collection will give you a clear picture of what life was like for people living, loving and working in our town and the surrounding villages in the 1800s.

H  Creative Minds: Lisa Tuttle
The latest in the Creative Minds series focuses on the woman who shocked the world with her small but powerful collection of paintings called “Angry Faces”. Art historian Ivan Moore presents the story of the artist’s life, along with a recent interview with Tuttle herself, and with statements about her work by art critics and professors, as well as other contemporary artists.
Look at the sentences below about a package holiday in Paris. Read the text to decide if each sentence is correct or incorrect.

Questions 11-20
Write A for correct or B for incorrect.

11 The group will be travelling with several different guides.

12 Talks by the Parisian experts will be given at the sites.

13 Star Tours will suggest places to eat and cultural events for those who are interested.

14 The price of the package holiday includes all meals.

15 The group will be visiting 5 museums together.

16 There are no planned activities for the group’s first evening in Paris.

17 The group will see modern art at the Pompidou Centre.

18 The highest spot in Paris is in Montmartre.

19 The group will visit the Eiffel Tower on Day 4.

20 The group will visit all 14 bridges on the Seine.
Discover the City of Light

The City of Light has something for everyone. In a sense, there’s more than one Paris: there is the Paris for art-lovers, the Paris for food-lovers, the Paris for fashion-lovers, and so on. Travel with Star Tours and experience the best of everything the city has to offer in terms of museums, restaurants, shops and landmarks.

Though you will be travelling with one of our own experienced travel teams, we also collaborate with several Paris-based guides who are fluent in both English and French and who each specialises in a certain aspect of French culture, such as art, architecture or literature. These experts will offer talks at our hotel for those who are interested the evening before we visit certain sites. We also organise two special evenings out on the town for the whole group during our stay in Paris, but, on the other three nights, you are free to choose how to spend your evenings. We can recommend restaurants, plays or musical performances you might enjoy.

The hotel we will be staying in, the clean and comfortable Clair de Lune, is a beautiful example of Art Nouveau architecture from the late 1800s. It is located in the historic St Germain des Prés neighbourhood, close to two metro stations and a number of lovely bistros and boutiques.

The price includes airfare to and from Paris, 5 nights and daily breakfast at the Clair de Lune Hotel, a metro pass and tickets to the 4 museums that we will be visiting as a group.

Day 1: Flight from London to Paris in the afternoon; check in at the Clair de Lune, evening free to explore the neighbourhood

Day 2: Boat ride along the Seine, Notre Dame Cathedral and Pompidou Centre (contemporary art), classical music concert in the evening

Day 3: Luxembourg Gardens, Montmartre district (including the Sacré-Cœur Basilica [the highest point in the city] and Montmartre Cemetery, where many famous artists are buried), Champs-Élysées (for shopping and people-watching), evening talk 7:00pm: The Louvre Museum

Day 4: Louvre Museum, Jardin des Tuileries (Paris’s most formal garden), Place des Vosges and Victor Hugo House/Museum (Hugo was one of France’s most important writers), evening talk 7:30pm: The Eiffel Tower

Day 5: Eiffel Tower, Musée d’Orsay (nineteenth-century French art and culture), afternoon free, evening talk 7:00pm: The 14 bridges of the River Seine, dinner and cultural event as a group (more information on this later)

Day 6: Rue des Rosiers (“The Street of Rose Bushes”), Pont Neuf Bridge (the oldest bridge in Paris) and surrounding areas, picnic lunch at Place Dauphine (weather permitting), late-afternoon flight back to London
Read the text and questions below.

Questions 21-25
For each question, choose A, B, C or D.

Thomas Olson, Head Chef at the Red Door Restaurant

I never thought that I’d be able to make a career out of my favourite hobby. Cooking has been an important part of my life since I was a boy, but I never imagined that one day I’d be writing cookery books and working as head chef at the trendiest restaurant in town! I always thought I’d end up working for my parents, actually. That wouldn’t have been a bad thing, of course – they own an organic farm, you see, and I really enjoy working outdoors. But the best thing about being part of a farming family is that I get lots of tasty fresh organic ingredients for my dishes!

I cook at the restaurant and at home — my wife hates cooking, you see, but she does do all the washing up! And I must say, I use lots of pots and pans when I cook. Also, I’m not a big fan of quick simple meals, which drives my poor children crazy, especially when they’re really hungry!

One of my dreams is to travel round the world collecting traditional recipes wherever I go. I worry that a lot of these recipes will eventually be forgotten. Lots of people have little time to cook these days, but I think everyone should learn to make at least a few special dishes. When a friend or a family member cooks for you, it’s a gift, in my opinion. You know that person has spent hours shopping and preparing a delicious meal for you, and I think it shows they really care.

21 The writer’s main purpose here is to describe...
   A a typical day of his life.
   B his relationship with his family and friends.
   C his thoughts on cooking.
   D his favourite types of recipes.

22 What does Thomas say about himself?
   A His dream was to become a farmer.
   B He likes working outside.
   C As a child, he didn’t like cooking.
   D He really enjoys making easy meals.
23 What do we learn about Thomas' children?
   A. They don't usually like his cooking.
   B. They often cook for him.
   C. They usually wash the pots and pans he uses.
   D. They get annoyed when they have to wait a long time to eat.

24 What does Thomas say about traditional recipes?
   A. He thinks that most of them have been forgotten.
   B. He would like to find and save lots of them.
   C. He has a large collection of them.
   D. He thinks only a few of them are special.

25 What might Thomas say about his work?
   A. Cooking a good meal takes time and effort.
   B. I probably would've been happier working as a farmer.
   C. Perhaps I should spend less time on the meals I prepare.
   D. I'm so lucky that I get to travel for my job.
Questions 26-35
Circle A, B, C or D.

Example:
0 A what B which C whose D where

Answer: 0 A B C D

School concert

Seven of our students will be taking part in a jazz competition (0) _____ will be held in Dublin in May. In order to raise (26) _____ money to help pay for their train tickets and hotel rooms, they will be holding a concert (27) _____ Friday evening (12th March) at 6:30pm.

The seven students, along with the (28) _____ members of the music club, will be playing a (29) _____ of songs from Asia, Africa and South America. The music club have been (30) _____ on these traditional songs from (31) _____ the globe for months now. Each song is well-known in its (32) _____ of origin, but most will be new to the audience. (33) _____ you like unique sounds, this evening is perfect for you!

The price (34) _____ the ticket is €10 for adults and €6 for students. (35) _____ the money will be put towards the costs of the trip.
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Questions 1-5
Here are some sentences about working in a restaurant.
For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first.
Use no more than three words.
Write only the missing words.

Example:
0 The manager made me pay for the broken dishes.
    I __________ to pay for the broken dishes.

Answer: 0 was made

1 There are only a few tables by the window.
   There aren’t __________ tables by the window.

2 We do not serve coffee after 5pm.
   Coffee __________ served after 5pm.

3 The waiters don’t make much money, and neither do the cooks.
   Neither the waiters __________ the cooks make much money.

4 I haven’t had any nasty customers this week!
   I’ve had __________ nasty customers all week!

5 I couldn’t carry so many dishes last year.
   I __________ to carry so many dishes last year.
Question 6

An English friend of yours called Nicholas cooked dinner for you last night.

Write a card to send to Nicholas. In your card, you should:

• thank him for the meal
• say what you liked best
• suggest when you could see each other again

Write 35-40 words.
Questions 7-8
Write an answer to one of the questions (7 or 8) in this part.
Write your answer in about 100 words.
Put the question number at the top of the page.

Question 7
• This is part of a letter you receive from your English penfriend, Helen.

I have just joined the art club at the local youth centre. I love it!
What are your hobbies?

• Now, write a letter to Helen telling her about your hobbies.

Question 8
• Your English teacher has asked you to write a story. Your story must have the following title:
The worst day of my life
Questions 1-7

There are seven questions in this part. For each question there are three pictures and a short recording. Choose the correct picture and put a tick (✓) in the box below it.

Example:

0 What is the day of the meeting?

A Thursday  B Friday  C Tuesday

1 What did the man order?

A Boots  B Jacket  C Umbrella

2 What will the weather be like tomorrow?

A Warm  B Rainy  C Sunny

3 What does the woman need for her presentation?

A Pens and paper  B Ruler  C Folder
4. Where will the woman get her information?

A  B  C

5. Which activity doesn’t Simon do now?

A  B  C

6. Where does the man normally keep his keys?

A  B  C

7. Who’s in first place?

A  B  C
Questions 8-13
You will hear a man called Paul talking on the radio about his online business.
For each question, put a tick (✓) in the correct box.

8 What did Paul sell in his shop?
A his own designs as well as those of others
B only clothes which others had designed
C only clothes which he had designed

9 The rent on Paul’s boutique was
A unusually high for the area.
B quite high because of the shop’s location.
C raised when the crisis started.

10 Covent Garden is
A in an older section of the city.
B outside London.
C in a new part of the city.

11 What was Paul’s main reason for closing his shop?
A He wanted to avoid losing money.
B He didn’t enjoy chatting with customers.
C He didn’t have enough time to design new clothes.

12 Paul’s decision to put his business online…
A had a number of bad results.
B is one he wishes he hadn’t taken.
C has given him extra leisure time.

13 Today, most of Paul’s customers
A are from Great Britain.
B are from non-European countries.
C are not native speakers of English.
Questions 14-19
You will hear a woman talking to a group of new guests at a campsite. For each question, fill in this missing information in the numbered space.

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Blue River Camping Village

Staff
- Monday to Saturday, 9am – 4pm: Lisa Stanley
- evenings and Sundays: (14) ______ or John

Facilities
- kitchen ((15) ______ fridges and two cookers)
- toilets and showers
- (16) ______ and souvenir shop
- canteen
- (17) ______ café

Things to do
- swimming, picnic along the river, cycling, (18) ______ adventure

Rules
- Quiet Hours: (19) ______ until 9am
- Help to keep campsite nice and tidy!
Questions 20-25

Look at the six sentences for this part.
You will hear a conversation between a boy, Adam, and his sister, Michelle, about school. Decide if each sentence is correct or incorrect. If it is correct, put a tick (✓) in the box under A for YES. If it is not correct, put a tick (✗) in the box under B for NO.

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SPEAKING

Sample Material - Part 2

Sample Material - Part 3