Interchange Third Edition Units 1 & 2

Test 1

Listening Test

9 mins

The Listening test is in four parts. Directions are given for each part.

Part 1   Photographs

You will hear four statements about a picture. Choose the statement that best describes what you see in the picture. Circle your answer.

1.   (A)   (B)   (C)   (D)

2.   (A)   (B)   (C)   (D)

Part 2   Question-Response

You will hear a question or statement and three responses. Choose the best response to the question or statement. Circle your answer.

3.	(A)	(B)	(C)		**6.**	(A)	(B)	(C)
4.	(A)	(B)	(C)		**7.**	(A)	(B)	(C)
5.	(A)	(B)	(C)		**8.**	(A)	(B)	(C)

Part 3   Short Conversations

You will hear some conversations between two speakers. There are three questions for each conversation. Choose the best response to the question. Circle your answer.

9. Where most likely are the speakers?

(A) At an airport
(B) At a travel agency
(C) At a hotel
(D) At a conference

10. What are the speakers discussing?

(A) Accommodation costs
(B) Flight schedules
(C) Transportation
(D) Budget problems

11. What does the man suggest the woman should do?

(A) Purchase a round trip ticket
(B) Check the schedule
(C) Reserve a suite
(D) Take a taxi

12. What does the man ask the woman to do?

(A) Contact security
(B) Issue him a pass
(C) Make an appointment
(D) Give him directions

13. Who is the man?

(A) A job applicant
(B) A receptionist
(C) An office clerk
(D) An interviewer

14. What will the man probably do next?

(A) Call another department
(B) Sit down and wait for Ms. Lim
(C) Give his résumé to the woman
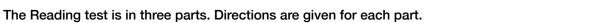(D) Talk to the manager about the problem

Part 4   Short Talks

You will hear some talks, each given by one person. There are three questions for each talk. Choose the best response to the question. Circle your answer.

15. Who most likely is Kate Reid?

  (A) A travel agent
  (B) A writer
  (C) A collector
  (D) A guide

16. How are the objects divided into sections for display?

  (A) By style
  (B) By decade
  (C) By popularity
  (D) By cost

17. What does the speaker say are unusual?

  (A) Comic books
  (B) Toys
  (C) Scrapbooks
  (D) Games

18. What does the speaker advise the listeners to do?

  (A) Use the new Link Line
  (B) Buy a three-month train pass
  (C) Check to see where trains stop
  (D) Avoid taking the rush-hour trains

19. When will work on the new line be completed?

  (A) In one week
  (B) In three weeks
  (C) In three months
  (D) In six months

20. What is the main purpose of this announcement?

  (A) To inform people about new fares
  (B) To advise about timetable changes
  (C) To increase the number of passengers
  (D) To advertise holiday destinations

Reading Test

15 mins

The Reading test is in three parts. Directions are given for each part.

Part 5   Incomplete Sentences

Read the incomplete sentences below. Choose the best word or phrase to complete each sentence. Circle your answer.

21. Immigrants may _____ difficulties with the education system when they move to a foreign country.

(A) has
(B) have
(C) had to
(D) have to

22. Software companies complain that there are not _____ computer technicians who graduated from university.

(A) enough
(B) few
(C) less
(D) most

23. The leadership training program will include some _____ group activities.

(A) outer
(B) outright
(C) outdoor
(D) outward

24. Community leaders would like to know when the local government is going to provide more bicycle _____.

(A) streets
(B) lanes
(C) highways
(D) jams

25. Ms. Stewart is highly responsible and extremely _____ at her job.

(A) well
(B) best
(C) better
(D) good

26. Mr. Cho worked very _____ to make sure that the business would be successful.

(A) long
(B) brief
(C) hard
(D) quick

27. Terri did not use to work so hard, but she seems much more _____ in her job now.

(A) interested
(B) interesting
(C) interestingly
(D) interest

28. The company requires staff to keep their offices _____ to give a good impression to clients.

(A) close
(B) neat
(C) near
(D) clear

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Part 6   Text Completion

Read the text below. It contains several incomplete sentences. Choose the best word or phrase to complete each sentence. Circle your answer.

Questions 29-31 refer to the following article.

Glenville, the Leisure Capital

Glenville is famous for its beautiful beaches and leisure facilities, and has been voted the city with the highest quality of life in the country for the past eight years. But it seems that City Hall and the residents are still not satisfied.

Every year, Glenville City Hall _____ over $20 million dollars on improvements to its leisure

      29. (A) builds
           (B) orders
           (C) spends
           (D) increases

facilities and parks. But in a recent survey of residents, 80% felt that the local government should provide _____ money to improve the public transportation services. This year, City Hall will

    30. (A) much
         (B) add
         (C) more
         (D) fewer

spend $40 million dollars. The extra money will be used to extend the bus network and replace the old buses, which _____ a lot of pollution. In the city's parks, there will also be new skating and

     31. (A) cause
          (B) allow
          (C) do
          (D) increase

walking paths, and 3,500 trees will be planted. The program to develop the beachfront areas, parks and leisure facilities of the city began 20 years ago, and during this time the city has spent more than $200 million dollars.

Part 7   Reading Comprehension

Read the texts below. There are several questions after each text. Choose the best response to the question. Circle your answer.

Questions 32-33 refer to the following e-mail.

From: Clara Dobbs <cdobbs@zlifestyle.com>

To: Clinton Moore <cmoore@zlifestyle.com>

Date: June 18th

Subject: Fact check for article

Hi Clinton

Thanks for your assistance with this. Here are the details about Jack Majors that I would like to use in our article, "The Top 100 Wealthy and Respected." The article is for our August edition. I would appreciate it if you could check that the information and dates are correct.

- He was born in Columbus, Ohio, in 1930.
- He starred in his first movie *Someone Must Love Me* in 1954.
- He won his first award in 1958 for his role in *Hard Hustlers*.
- He married Jennifer Woodford in 1962 and they adopted six children.
- He directed his first movie, *Cool Summer*, in 1968.
- He purchased Excel Animations in 1978 for $90 million dollars.
- He became a billionaire in 1988 and nearly went bankrupt the following year.
- He and his wife started a charity for the education of homeless children in 1994.
- His charity has assisted over 12,000 children and young adults.

I will send you details for our other biographies when I have them.

Thanks in advance for checking this.

Clara
ZLife&Style Magazine

32. When did Jack Majors first take a leading role in a movie?

(A) In 1954
(B) In 1958
(C) In 1978
(D) In 1994

33. Where does Clara Dobbs most likely work?

(A) At a movie production company
(B) For a charity organization
(C) At a publishing company
(D) For a fashion house

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Questions 34-36 refer to the following article.

The Way We Were

This month we take a snapshot of life 50 years ago, and compare it with life today.
Information for this article was collected from the State Commerce and Statistics Department.

Family Life Families used to be bigger, with an average of 3.6 children. Nowadays the average family has 2.1 children. Many households didn't have a television, compared to over two sets per household now. Families played board games as there were no computer or television games.

Salaries The average income for a family was $5,000. The average family income now is $48,000, almost 10 times more. However, the cost of many things today is at least 15 times more!

Work The father was usually the only parent working outside the house. Mothers didn't usually use to have paid jobs, even part-time jobs. Most were homemakers. Many teenagers had part-time jobs delivering newspapers or cleaning up the garden.

Housing Houses used to be half the size, and most had only one bathroom. Very few families lived in apartments—over 80% of the population lived in houses. The average cost of a house used to be twice the average yearly family income. Now it is more than five times the average yearly family income.

Education Less than 10% of the population used to go to university. In fact there were fewer than 4,000 universities in the country, whereas today there are 16,000. Nowadays, more than 40% of people finish their education with a college degree.

34. What is the purpose of this article?

(A) To inform readers about changes in society
(B) To look at the differences in the cost of housing
(C) To help people choose a career
(D) To help families plan household budgets

35. According to the article, what has changed about housing?

(A) There are more houses built now than there used to be.
(B) The size of houses has increased.
(C) More than half the population now live in apartments.
(D) Many houses used to have more than one bathroom.

36. What is stated in the article about education?

(A) There are not as many high schools.
(B) The cost of education has decreased.
(C) There are fewer people with degrees.
(D) There are four times as many universities.

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Questions 37-40 refer to the following letter.

Letters to the Editor

As the chairman of the Toronto Public Transport Board (TPTB), I am responding to the article published in the newspaper last week about the transportation system in Toronto. The article stated that there should be more freeways in the city. I disagree.

Toronto has one of the best public transportation systems in North America. It is also the third busiest after New York City and Mexico City. We have the largest passenger train and subway system in Canada and a fantastic bus system. In addition, unlike many North American cities, which lost their streetcars in the middle of the twentieth century, we kept ours. They allow the people of Toronto to travel easily and cheaply about the city. We are also lucky to have excellent rail services for the transportation of goods.

We should be proud of all this as Toronto has less than a third of the population of New York and is much smaller than many other cities in North America. The real question is not "Do we need more freeways?" but "Do we want more pollution?" If we build more freeways more motorists will drive and this will cause more pollution and further damage the environment.

As the chairman of the TPTA as well as a regular public transport user, I am proud of the excellent, clean, safe, and inexpensive public transportation in Toronto.

Sincerely,

Bernard Miller

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37. What is the purpose of this letter?

(A) To discourage the building of more freeways in Toronto
(B) To discuss a magazine report
(C) To assist with the planning of parking spaces
(D) To comment on the taxi service

38. According to the letter, when did streetcars disappear in many cities in North America?

(A) Before 1900
(B) In the early 20th century
(C) In the middle of the 20th century
(D) In the past 10 years

39. What is suggested about Bernard Miller?

(A) He often uses public transport.
(B) He works for a nightclub.
(C) He wants more freeways.
(D) He is a newspaper journalist.

40. What is stated about the transportation system in Toronto?

(A) It produces a lot of pollution.
(B) It is the third busiest system in the world.
(C) It is very old and needs to be improved.
(D) It carries fewer passengers than the New York system.