Test 1

WRITING (1 hour 20 minutes)

Part 1

You must answer this question. Write your answer in 140–190 words in an appropriate style on the separate answer sheet.

1 In your English class you have been talking about money for sports people. Now, your English teacher has asked you to write an essay.

Write your essay using all the notes and giving reasons for your point of view.

‘Famous sports people are paid too much money.’ Do you agree?

Notes

Write about:
1. the entertainment they provide
2. how hard they work
3. ........................................ (your own idea)
Test 1

LISTENING (approximately 40 minutes)

Part 1

You will hear people talking in eight different situations.

For questions 1–8, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

1 You hear a woman talking on the radio about an actor. What does the woman say about him?
   A His acting has improved over the years.
   B The media often criticise him unfairly.
   C He gets fewer film roles than he deserves.

2 You hear a hairstylist talking about her career. She prefers working in the TV industry because she
   A feels that her contribution is valued.
   B is able to express her opinions freely.
   C thrives on the creative challenge the work presents.

3 You hear a comedian called Geoff Knight talking on the radio about his profession. What does Geoff like his act to contain?
   A stories that give people a surprise
   B things that everybody can relate to
   C material that nobody has used before

4 You hear a conversation between a customer and a coffee shop employee. What is the employee doing?
   A waiting for a colleague's help
   B excusing a colleague's inefficiency
   C criticising a colleague's attitude
5 You hear a man telling a friend about an art exhibition.
What does he say about it?
A It was well attended.
B The lighting was effective.
C The catalogue was worth buying.

6 You overhear a man ringing a sports shop.
Why is he calling?
A to report an incident in the shop
B to make a special order
C to follow up an earlier query

7 You hear a man telling a friend about his work.
How does the man feel about his work?
A resentment of his colleague’s success
B regret at the changes that have taken place
C frustration at his lack of progress

8 You hear two people talking about a country walk they’re doing.
What do they agree about?
A It’s much too long to complete.
B The path is very difficult to follow.
C They’ve chosen the wrong day to do it.