

Part 1

Questions 1 – 8

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 girl telling her friend about her recent family holiday.

What caused a problem during the holiday?

- A** a delay in their travel arrangements
- B** a mistake over their accommodation
- C** a sudden change in the weather

- 2** You hear a girl talking about how useful it is to practise when learning something.

What's her opinion?

- A** Some things need much more practice than others.
- B** Daily practice is effective in helping her make progress.
- C** Spending time practising doesn't always bring good results.

- 3** You hear two friends talking about an unusual Australian lake they've read about.

They agree that having a similar feature in their area

- A** would cause problems for people in their town.
- B** might lead to their town becoming world famous.
- C** could boost the number of visitors to their town.

- 4** You hear a boy phoning a friend.

What is he doing during the call?

- A** announcing a new arrangement
- B** asking for feedback
- C** passing on some news

- 5** You hear two friends discussing something called rewilding – restoring animals to their original natural habitat.

What is the girl doing?

- A** giving an opinion about rewilding
- B** describing how rewilding works
- C** explaining the reason rewilding is important

- 6** You hear two friends discussing a geography lesson they've just had.

What do they agree about it?

- A** It referred a lot to what they'd prepared.
- B** It was a bit easier than they'd expected.
- C** It inspired them to find out more information.

- 7** You hear a teacher talking to his class.

He wants his students to

- A** make notes about what he's saying.
- B** do more research into this week's topic.
- C** prepare to give a presentation to the class.

- 8** You hear two friends discussing an article about growing vegetables at home.

What is the girl's opinion of the article?

- A** It makes the process sound easier than it really is.
- B** It's given her ideas about how to improve her techniques.
- C** It includes helpful advice on how to avoid common problems.

Part 2

Questions 9 – 18

You will hear a boy called Harry talking about his interest in astronomy – studying space and the night sky. For questions 9 – 18, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

Harry's hobby: astronomy

Harry thinks his interest in space began because of a **(9)** in his area.

Harry's **(10)** bought him a telescope of his own.

Harry most appreciates the **(11)** on the telescope he's got.

Harry recently started searching for what are called **(12)** through his

telescope. Harry was particularly thrilled to identify the **(13)** around one

planet. Harry's ambition is to come up with an important **(14)** to help the

study of space. Harry thinks he's gained a greater knowledge of **(15)** through

his interest in astronomy. Harry says the **(16)** in his area always makes it

difficult to see what's up in the sky at night. Harry uses the word **(17)** to

describe the whole experience of looking through his telescope. Harry advises other potential astronomers

that they'll need a lot of **(18)** to be successful.

Part 3

Questions 19 – 23

You will hear five teenagers talking about their experiences of doing watersports. For questions **19 – 23**, choose from the list (**A – H**) how each speaker felt about their experience. Use the letters only once. There are three extra letters which you do not need to use.

A disappointed about something that was promised

B relieved at the level of the challenge

Speaker 1 **19**

C doubtful about having to be accompanied

Speaker 2 **20**

D surprised at the amount of support given

Speaker 3 **21**

E determined to perform as well as others

Speaker 4 **22**

F discouraged by an initial lack of success

Speaker 5 **23**

G proud of the progress made

H confident about achieving targets set

Part 4

Questions 24 – 30

You will hear an interview with a girl called Clare Hanson, who is talking about her interest in a golden yellow stone called amber. For questions **24 – 30**, choose the best answer (**A**, **B** or **C**).

- 24** Why is Clare so fascinated by amber?
- A** It has a strange kind of beauty.
 - B** It's taken a huge amount of time to form.
 - C** It's an entirely natural substance.
- 25** Why did Clare's mum want to take her on an amber hunt as a child?
- A** It was a fun activity they could share.
 - B** It was a popular annual tradition in their local area.
 - C** It was a way for Clare to learn something about amber.
- 26** What does Clare say about her first amber hunt on the beach?
- A** She's sad that pieces she found had to be returned to the organisers.
 - B** She's aware that very few participants found any amber.
 - C** She suspects pieces of amber were placed there deliberately.
- 27** What made it difficult for Clare and her mum to find amber on a recent search?
- A** There was too much rubbish on the beach to spot it.
 - B** The sea was throwing up too many stones onto the beach.
 - C** It was almost too misty to see anything on the beach.
- 28** What most surprised Clare when she first saw pieces of polished amber for sale?
- A** how light they were to handle
 - B** what some of them contained inside
 - C** their appearance compared with what they'd find on the beach

- 29** When the shop owner handed Clare a huge lump of amber, she was
- A** thrilled to be holding a piece of that size.
 - B** terrified that she might suddenly drop it.
 - C** impressed by the price tag put on it.
- 30** What does Clare plan to do with the amber she found on the beach?
- A** keep it in a special place at home
 - B** lend it to the local museum for display
 - C** have it made into a piece of jewellery