# You will hear some sentences. You will hear each sentence twice. Choose the correct reply to each sentence (A, B, or C).

- A It's raining.
  B No, we're out of stock.
  C Yes, please. I'd like to try on this jumper.
- 2. A She's got a headache.B She's gone to France.C She's sleeping.
- 3. A Is dinner ready?B Let's have it then?C Shall we order a pizza?
- 4. A Yes, please.B By credit card.C The bill, please.
- 5. A It's made of leather.B He's very well, thanks.C She likes ice cream.
- 6. A Fine thanks.B With my father.C Forty-four.
- 7. A Who are you?B Pleased to meet you.C Don't mention it.
- A I'm afraid not.
  B Any time you like.
  C That will be nice

You will hear someone giving a talk. For each question, fill in the missing information in the numbered space. Write ONE WORD and/or A NUMBER for each answer.

#### **A Film Actor**

| Roger arrives at the film studio at (9)  | a.m.                                |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| A woman does his (10)                    | after someone has brushed his hair. |
| Roger is playing a police (11)           | in this new film.                   |
| Filming is delayed because the film (12) | is often late.                      |
| When filming ends, Roger puts on his us  | ual (13)                            |
| Roger has (14)after he                   | e gets home and sleeps early.       |

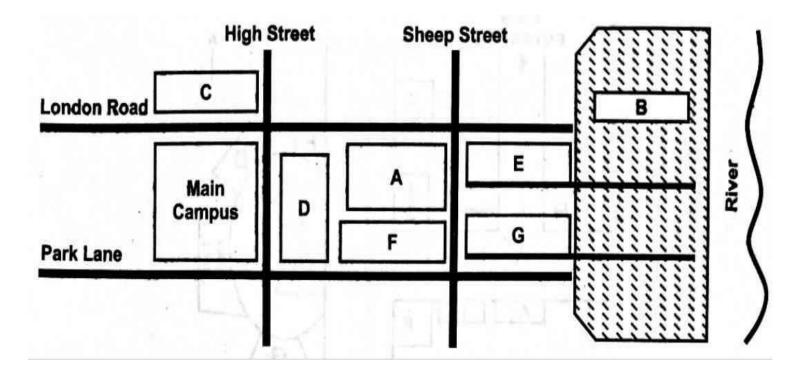
#### Part 3

### You will hear part of a radio programme called Morning Market. Five listeners have telephoned the programme because they have something to sell. For questions 15-19, choose which of the statements (A-F) matches the reason each of the people gives for selling their possession. Use the letters only once. Use the letters only once. There is ONE EXTRA letter which you do not need to use.

A) I didn't enjoy using it.

| B) I made a mistake.           | 15. Speaker 1 |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| C) It's an unwanted prize.     | 16. Speaker 2 |
| D) It takes up too much space. | 17. Speaker 3 |
| E) I've got something better.  | 18. Speaker 4 |
| F) I have health problems.     | 19. Speaker 5 |

You will hear someone giving a talk. Label the places on the map. There is ONE extra option which you do not need to use.



20. student center.....21. police station.....22. Victoria park.....23. public library.....24. park hotel.....

#### You will hear three extracts. Choose the correct answer (A, B or C) for each question. There are TWO questions for each extract. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

#### Extract One

- 25. Nina compares praising children to rock climbing because in both activities
- A) time is needed to get it right.
- B) trust plays an important role.
- C) mistakes can have unwanted consequences.
- 26. What advice does Dan give parents about praising children?
- A) Focus on praising effort rather than results.
- B) Explain the reason for giving praise.
- C) Include praising personal qualities.

#### Extract Two

- 27. Robert had been put off talking up golf until now because he believed
- A) it was practiced only by a privileged few.
- B) it provided relatively little exercise.
- C) it was perceived as old-fashioned.
- 28. What do they agree they should do next?
- A) take up an opportunity to find out about a venue
- B) get more information about golf from a colleague
- C) look into the expense involved in playing golf

#### Extract Three

29. According to the man, what element do music festival organizers often overlook?

- A) having good communication between sound engineers and bands
- B) designing the grounds so that the sound is enhanced
- C) ensuring all the equipment is of the highest quality
- 30. How did the woman first find out that a local band was good?
- A) Other musicians were recommending them.
- B) Everyone was talking about them in one of the cafés.
- C) The number of people listening to them was increasing.

# You will hear someone giving a talk. For each question, fill in the missing information in the numbered space. Write ONE WORD and/or A NUMBER for each answer

#### The Albatross

Tim thinks that the name 'albatross' comes originally from a word in the Arabic language. There are currently though to be a total of (31)..... species of albatross.

The fact that it relies on (32).....explains why the albatross isn't found in some areas.

By using a locking mechanism in its (33)....., the albatross can save energy when flying.

Tim explains that the albatross has a surprisingly good sense of (34).....

Tim was surprised to discover that (35).....attack albatross nests.

The albatross used to be hunted mostly for its (36).....as well as for food.

Tim gives the example of bottle caps as plastic objects commonly eaten by albatrosses.

#### Part 1

# Read the text. Fill in each gap with ONE word. You must use a word which is somewhere in the rest of the text.

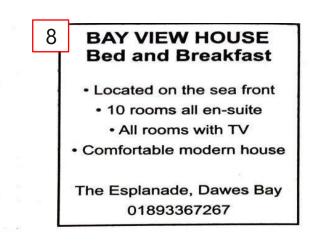
There is a place in Tennessee where old elephants go to live. Each elephant has a best friend there. Most of these friends are other elephants. But an elephant named Tarra chose a dog for her best (1)...... ! Tarra and the (2)....., Bella, go everywhere together. The two friends eat together. They sleep together, too.

#### Part 2

# Read the texts and the statements A-J. Decide which text matches with the situation described in the statements. Each statement can be used ONCE only. There are TWO extra statements which you do not need to use.

- A) You want to stay in a hotel with ping pong and billiard facilities.
- B) You need a hotel near the bay with the facility to watch the latest news
- C) You want to stay in a hotel rooms with cooling systems and be able to practice golf.
- D) You want to stay in a historical hotel with the facility to have home-made meals.
- E) You want to cook yourself in a hotel and play different games.
- F) You want to stay in a hotel with mountain views and do swimming activities.
- G) You want to stay in a historical hotel with free breakfast.

| 7 | The Ship Hotel   |
|---|--|
|   | Douglas Bay's 15th Century Hotel   |
|   | All rooms en-suite<br>All rooms with sea view<br>Restaurant<br>Bar<br>Buffet every Sunday<br>Traditional home-cooked food<br>Real local ales |
|   | Harbour Street, Douglas<br>01779 413562  |





#### Part 3

Read the text and choose the correct heading or each paragraph from the list of headings below. There are more headings than paragraphs, so you will not use all of them. You cannot use any heading more than once. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

- A) Ads with wingsC) Unexpected prize
- E) Losing control
- G) Welsh roots
- G
- 12. Paragraph I
- 13. Paragraph II
- 14. Paragraph III
- 15. Paragraph IV
- 16. Paragraph V
- 17. Paragraph VI
  - I. By now Wimbledon has become a popular national festival, together with Ascot and the Cup Final. Many people in Britain don't know that tennis was first played in Wales. It was there, in 1873, that Major Walter Wingfield played a game with the

- B) Quick reaction
- D) Training the mind
- F) Chemistry in tennis
- H) Too fast

recently invented rubber balls and enjoyed it so much, that he decided to develop the standards of the game. He published the first book of tennis rules later that year. The first Wimbledon championship was held a few years later in 1877 and the British Lawn Tennis Association formed in 1888.

- II. Good mental preparation is necessary for professional tennis players In a long match they can be on the court for several hours with nobody to talk to. There can be hundreds of stops from the crowd, their and, especially at Wimbledon, the rain. Players need to practice method; for improving their concentration and for motivating themselves when the game is going against them. They are often taught to imagine situations, such as a tense tie-break. Then they imagine what to do with it some opponent
- III. Many players find it impossible to stay calm in the stressful situation of a long tennis match and let their temper out. John McEnroe was famous for his quarrels with referees. Several players have been given warnings for throwing the racket or swearing. Some players lose matches they could easily win because their mind lets them down. Pat Rafter said that he couldn't breathe in his 2000 Wimbledon final. The stress of being near the victory can be too much for a person.
- IV. The power of today's tennis game is only partly created by the athletes themselves. Much of it comes from their rackets. New designs mean players can hit the ball with more speed and accuracy than ever before. It started in the 1970s when the traditional wooden racket was replaced with metal. Since then different materials have been used. Graphite has made the biggest influence. Now the graphite can be mixed with materials such as boron and titanium to produce even stronger, and lighter, rackets.
- V. Speed isn't always a good thing. Many fans are complaining that the speed of the game is making tennis boring to watch. After two years of testing, a new ball has now been invented which could slow down tennis and make it more exciting to watch. The ball is put together in exactly the same way as the one used now, but is 6% larger in diameter. The bigger ball gives the receiver 10% more reaction time in which to return the serve. So the number of aces- serves in a match that the receiver fails to return- will be far fewer.
- VI. When Irishman John Boland travelled to Athens for the first modern Olympic Games in 1896, he had no idea he would return home with the gold medal in

tennis. But then, he had no idea he would compete either- he went to watch the competition. In comparison, today's Olympic tennis players include some of the best athletes in the world. They are used to five-star hotels and hundreds of thousands of dollars, but at the Olympic Games they will stay in the Olympic Village and compete for nothing but a gold medal.

#### Part 4

## Read the following text for questions 18-26.

#### **Fatherhood Today**

MODERN men see fatherhood as their biggest life-changing experience and desperately want to be 'hands on during their partner's pregnancy and the upbringing of their child. The days of fatherhood being limited to discipline and breadwinning look to be long gone, as a third of today's dads say they would even consider leaving work to take on the role of full-time father But despite being anxious about the birth of their child, men are more worried about money than losing their freedom.

The results of Pregnancy & Births magazine's annual fatherhood survey reveal the respect with which many men now regard the role of fatherhood. More than 2,000 couples across the UK who were expecting their first child were asked about their feelings. According to 98% of the fathers-to-be, they believe fatherhood will make them happy and 90% say it is their big- gest life-changing event ever'. It seems that men are taking childrearing seriously, wanting to be 'hands on' both before and after birth. Nine out of ten dads-to-be attend scans and check-ups; only 2% of the men surveyed would not be at the birth because they "could not face it" Eight out of 10 women say their partner is more caring during the pregnancy and 83% of men would rather stay in with their partner than go out with friends. 72% of men say they will take two weeks' leave. A further 77% say they wish they could have more time off to bond with their baby.

However, more than half of the men questioned still think that the mother should take time off work if the child is ill, but 39% said they would share it. Modern fathers-to be are also more likely to do chores compared to decades ago: almost half of them do more housework, 41% do more meal preparation and a third go shopping more. The role of child rearing has changed dramatically over the past 50 years and more men would consider leaving work to raise their child. A third of the men surveyed say they would be prepared to be a full-time stay-at-home dad, another third would like to work part-time while the rest wish to continue with work.

Dr. Maureen Marks, a specialist psychiatrist on fathers and their changing roles, does not believe the survey sample is wide enough But she agrees that men's parental roles have changed dramatically. Dr. Marks, a senior lecturer at the Institute of Psychiatry, King's College London, said, "Generally speaking, men are more able to be involved As women are working more, they are not totally dependent on their husbands for money. so the roles are less rigid "She believes that, although the roles have been modified, biological differences are important "Women are the ones who carry the child and many breast-feed. In those early days, however involved the father is, they miss that connection," she said. However, men make up for this when the child is old enough to be played with "Men are much more active when playing with their children and encourage their sociability, but when children need comforting or soothing they tend to go to their mother."

Tom Beardshaw, from the charity Fathers Direct, believes these results confirm society's changing views on fatherhood. He said, "this confirms the equal opportunities research which shocked a lot of people by how much fathers want to get involved. There are historical changes such as women working more, and also positive male role models, such as George Clooney, who show that being a proud father is not an unmanly attribute to have

#### For questions 18-21, choose the correct answer A, B, C or D. 18. Several modern fathers

- A) are willing to give up their careers to be stay-at-home parents.
- B) think fatherhood provides discipline in their lives.
- C) would feel afraid of not being able to raise a child.
- D) are working hard to save money for the future.

### 19. According to the article, a majority of men today

- A) still do not want to attend the birth of their children.
- B) take an active part in pre-natal care.
- C) wish they could afford to have leave when a child is born.
- D) do not wish to have a child.

### 20. If a child were ill, most of the men questioned said

- A) either partner could stay with the child.
- B) the mother should take time off work.
- C) they would stay off work themselves.
- D) the children themselves would get well.

# 21. Dr. Marks comments that

- A) both parents need to take equal time with their newborn baby.
- B) children don't care which parent is around when they are upset.
- C) traditional roles for parenting has changed
- D) the role of fathers must be changed,

# For questions 22-26, decide if the following statements agree with the, information given in the text.

22. According to the Pregnancy & Birth magazine survey, three-quarters of the respondents think there is no more important event that changes their life than having their first child.

A) True B) False C) No information

23. The fathers who are expecting a new birth tend to do as much house- work today as they did ten years ago.

A) True B) False C) No information

24. According to Dr. Maureen Marks, the survey's outcome cannot help us reach a reliable conclusion.

A) True B) False C) No information

25. Men and women are equally good at boosting children's social skills.

A) True B) False C) No information

26. Working mothers are worse at child upbringing than the one who doesn't work.

A) True B) False C) No information

#### Part 5

#### *Read the following text for questions 27-32.* Lost Civilization of Peru.

Two thousand years ago, a mysterious and little-known civilization ruled the northern coast of Peru, Its people were called the Moche They built huge and bizarre pyramids that still dominate the surrounding countryside -some well over a hundred feet tall. Many are so heavily eroded they look like natural hills. Only close up can you see they are made up of millions of mud bricks. Several of the pyramids, known as 'huacas', contain rich collections of murals depicting both secular and sacred scenes from the Moche world. Others house the elaborate tombs of Moche leaders.

Out in the desert, archaeologists have also found the 2,000-year-old remains of an extensive system of mud brick aqueducts which enabled the Moche to tame their desert environment. Many are still in use today As archaeologists have excavated at Moche sites they've unearthed some of the most fabulous pottery and jewelry ever to emerge from an ancient civilization. The Moche were pioneers of metal-working techniques like gilding and early forms of soldering. These skills enabled them to create extraordinarily intricate artifacts: ear studs and necklaces, nose rings and helmets, many heavily inlaid with gold and precious stones.

But it was the pottery that gave the archaeologists their first real insight into Moche life. The Moche left no written record but they did leave a fabulous account of their life

and times in paintings on pots and vessels. Many show everyday events and objects such as people, fish, birds, and other animals. Others show scenes from what, at first sight, look like a series of battles. But as the archaeologists studied them more closely they realized they weren't ordinary battles: all the soldiers have dressed alike; the same images were repeated time and again. When the battle was won, the vanquished were ritually sacrificed. It was, the archaeologists slowly realized, a story not of war but ritual combat followed by human sacrifice.

But what did it mean? The first breakthrough came when Canadian archaeologist Dr. Steve Bourget, of the University of Texas in Austin, discovered a collection of bones at one of the most important Moche huacas. Many of the skeletons were deeply encased in mud which meant the burials had to have taken place in the rain. Yet in this part of Peru, it almost never rains. Bourget realized there had to be a deliberate connection between the rain and the sacrifices. It led him to a new insight into the Moche world. The Moche, like most desert societies, had practiced a form of the ritual designed to celebrate or encourage rain. The sacrifices were about making an unpredictable world more predictable. A harsh environment had molded a harsh civilization with an elaborate set of rituals designed to ensure its survival.

These discoveries answered one question what the painted scenes were all aboutbut still left a central riddle. Why had Moche society finally collapsed? Clues came first from climate researchers gathering evidence of the region's climatic history, which suggested that at around AD 560 to AD 650 there was a thirty-year period of exceptionally wet weather, followed by a severe drought lasting another thirty years.

In the late 1990s, American archaeologist Dr. Tom Dillehay revisited some of the more obscure Moche sites and found that the dates didn't match the climate catastrophe explanation. Many of these settlements were later than AD 650, so clearly, the weather hadn't been the immediate cause of their demise. He also found that, instead of constructing huge huacas, the Moche had started building fortresses. They had been at war. But who with? Searching the site for clues, Dillehay's team were unable to find any non-Moche military artifacts. It could only mean one thing: the Moche had been fighting amongst themselves.

#### For questions 27-32, fill in the missing information in the numbered spaces. Write no more than ONE WORD and/or A NUMBER for each question.

Many Moche (27)..... that helped to water the land are working today.

Dr. Steve Bourget found graves in which people were buried during the (28).....

Dillehay found evidence that Moche society had survived beyond (29).....

The first evidence of military activity was the discovery of (30).....

# For questions 31-32, choose the correct answer A, B, C, or D. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

#### 31. In some huacas

- A) Moche leaders still live.
- B) there are a huge collection of gold and silver treasures,
- C) chiefs were buried:
- D) leaders built their houses.

#### 32. Pottery designs

A) show armed fighting and the practice of killing people within Moche society.

- B) had scenes of the Moche fighting foreign armies.
- C) illustrate common agricultural practices in Moche society.
- D) are decorated with texts in Moche language.

#### TASK 1

You should spend about 20 minutes on this task Write about the following topic:

You missed an international flight due to a problem at the airport. Write a letter to the airline. In your letter:

- Describe what happened that caused you to miss your flight
- Explain how missing your flight impacted you
- Clearly state what you would like the airline to do

Write at least 150 words.

### TASK 2

You should spend about 40 minutes on this task Write about the following topic:

In some countries it is traditional for men to work and for women to stay at home

to look after the family. What are the advantages and disadvantages of this ?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience.

Write at least 250 words.