PRACTICE TEST 1

TAPESCRIPTS

PART 1

- 1. (A) The woman is ordering coffee.
 - (B) The water glass is nearly empty.
 - (C) The woman is engaged in conversation.
 - (D) The table is cluttered with paperwork.
- 2. (A) The man is buying flowers.
 - (B) The flower shop is busy.
 - (C) The man is selling newspapers.
 - (D) The flowers are on display.
- 3. (A) The plates are dirty.
 - (B) The dishes are piled high.
 - (C) The woman is cleaning the glassware.
 - (D) The window display is sparkling.
- 4. (A) The furnace needs to be lit.
 - (B) The men are working as a team.
 - (C) The hard hats are on their pegs.
 - (D) The neon lights are bright.
- 5. (A) The airplanes are ready for takeoff.
 - (B) The passengers have not boarded.
 - (C) The planes are under construction.
 - (D) The pilot readies the plane.
- 6. (A) The children run across the sand.
 - (B) The cyclists are carrying their bikes.
 - (C) The bicycle race is very close.
 - (D) The couple relax on the beach.
- 7. (A) The wine has been uncorked.
 - (B) The wine is being bottled.
 - (C) The diners choose their wine.
 - (D) The display is in the shop window.
- 8. (A) The swimming pool is full.
 - (B) The balls are scattered across the table.
 - (C) A new billiards game is about to be played.
 - (D) The pool cues are in their rack.
- 9. (A) The hallway is very crowded.
 - (B) The men are talking business.
 - (C) Two colleagues are sharing ideas.
 - (D) The meeting room is ready for use.
- 10. (A) The man is entering information.
 - (B) The woman is using the keyboard.
 - (C) The man hands a traveler tickets.
 - (D) The ticket agents are chatting.

PART 2

- 11. Do you think Kate would appreciate a surprise party?
 - (A) A cake would be a surprise.
 - (B) She's not really into that sort of thing.
 - (C) Yes, I had a great time.
- 12. Where's the meeting being held?
 - (A) It's been moved back to 4:00 pm.
 - (B) Sorry, I was held up at home.
 - (C) The location's noted on the memo.
- 13. Shouldn't you be wearing a suit?
 - (A) I thought this was an informal meeting.
 - (B) No, I wasn't wearing it.
 - (C) This style doesn't suit me.
- Dennis, please cancel my 2 o'clock appointment.
 - (A) I will ask Ms. Hastings to reschedule.
 - (B) I always knew that show was going to be canceled.
 - (C) We will appoint a new position.
- **15.** How did you and Phil manage to get here so quickly?
 - (A) Actually, Phil isn't the manager anymore.
 - (B) We were able to use the express lane.
 - (C) We filled the position with ease.
- 16. Is this seat taken?
 - (A) Be my guest.
 - (B) Take him away.
 - (C) No, I'm not.
- 17. Are you sure this invoice is correct?
 - (A) Yes, you can send the invoice here.
 - (B) I double-checked all the figures.
 - (C) The correct answer is "balsamic vinegar".
- Excuse me, I'm afraid you can't park in a red zone.
 - (A) There's nothing to be afraid of.
 - (B) My parka's the green one.
 - (C) I'll move right away.
- 19. Why on earth did the city refuse our bid?
 - (A) They said it was too high.
 - (B) Because it can't go into space.
 - (C) Earthenware would be good.

- 20. Who will be meeting us at the airport?
 - (A) John's dropping me off.
 - (B) The meeting will be chaired by Rebecca Daniels.
 - (C) We have to make our own way to the hotel.
- 21. How long has the family recipe been kept secret?
 - (A) There are over 20 ingredients.
 - (B) Family secrets will be our undoing.
 - (C) For at least four generations.
- 22. Which design did William like best?
 - (A) He didn't like the sign.
 - (B) The furthest one from us.
 - (C) He designed it himself.
- 23. Do you think Stephanie would care for another appetizer?
 - (A) My appetite has been ruined.
 - (B) Why don't you ask her?
 - (C) She's a very caring person.
- 24. Have you seen the latest sci-fi blockbuster from Dunright Films?
 - (A) No, I don't want to make a scene.
 - (B) Buster doesn't appreciate good cinema.
 - (C) I'm afraid I haven't.
- 25. How come the plane's still at the gate?
 - (A) They have to clear the runway.
 - (B) It'll arrive at Gate 16B.
 - (C) The gate should be repainted.
- 26. Isn't that the famous tennis player?
 - (A) I haven't played in years.
 - (B) I'm sure you're mistaken.
 - (C) I'm not that famous.
- 27. How did you make this lovely dish?
 - (A) I had lots of help from Alex.
 - (B) I will tell him later.
 - (C) I made it just in time.
- 28. Are you familiar with the layout of our office?
 - (A) Well, I did spend a few days there last summer.
 - (B) You look familiar to me.
 - (C) I'd rather remain inside.

- 29. What time did you get in last night?
 - (A) We should arrive at 8:15.
 - (B) You're just in time!
 - (C) I'm not sure, but it was pretty late.
- 30. Can you spare a few moments?
 - (A) Sorry, I'm flat broke.
 - (B) I can't find my spare tire.
 - (C) Sure, what's up?
- 31. Why are you interested in this position with our company?
 - (A) I could use some company.
 - (B) I enjoy working with people.
 - (C) I want to earn some interest.
- 32. Are you any good at plotting graphs?
 - (A) The plot is very complicated.
 - (B) Yes, there are good graphics.
 - (C) I think I can do a decent job.
- 33. Can I help you find anything today?
 - (A) I didn't realize you were lost.
 - (B) I'm just looking.
 - (C) I sure can!
- I can have your jacket ready to pick up on Friday.
 - (A) Could you have it done by Thursday?
 - (B) Yes, it will be cold.
 - (C) The delivery service is great.
- 35. Is Mr. Reuben available, please?
 - (A) May I ask who's calling?
 - (B) It's not on the menu today.
 - (C) It's available in three colors.
- 36. Could I borrow your calculator?
 - (A) Yes, I need some help.
 - (B) Sorry, I'm terrible at math.
 - (C) Go right ahead.
- 37. How much does shipping cost?
 - (A) It depends on the weight of the package.
 - (B) It's \$800 for adults, \$350 for children.
 - (C) We have 82 units we need to ship.
- 38. What did you think of Dr. Rabinski's talk?
 - (A) He said I should take aspirin.
 - (B) I thought it was rather enlightening.
 - (C) Yes, I agree he's all talk.

- 39. Who are you backing in the upcoming election?
 - (A) I don't think my back should bother me much anymore.
 - (B) I'll let you know after the debate tomorrow night.
 - (C) He does stand very erect.
- I heard Simon was transferring to another department.
 - (A) Yes, he loves shopping.
 - (B) Yes, please transfer the entire balance.
 - (C) Yes, I think he's looking forward to it.

PART 3

Questions 41 through 43 refer to the following conversation.

- M1: Well, Jack, your résumé is very impressive. What would you say were your main strengths in this field?
- M2: Well, due to my previous experience, I feel I have built up a substantial amount of knowledge that could be very useful in further developing your company's range of products.
- M1: And how would you find working in one of our overseas offices?
- M2: That wouldn't be a problem at all, in fact the chance to work abroad was one of the reasons I applied for the job in the first place.
- 41. Where does this conversation probably take place?
- 42. What does Jack say is his main strength?
- 43. How would Jack feel about working overseas?

Questions 44 through 46 refer to the following conversation.

- M: Good afternoon, my name is John Masters. I'm calling to speak to Miss Jackson in the purchasing department.
- W: This is Cate Jackson speaking. What can I do for you, Mr. Masters?
- M: I represent Epsilon International, the East Coast's largest supplier of outdoor and sports wear. I'd really like to set up a meeting to show you our latest range of tennis apparel.
- W: Ah, unfortunately we just tied up a major deal for tennis wear with a local company. However, I would be interested in meeting to see some of your outdoor wear.
- 44. What does the man do?
- 45. What kind of company does the man represent?
- 46. What will the man probably do next?

Questions 47 through 49 refer to the following conversation.

- W1: So, have you checked out Maurizio's, that new Italian place that just opened next to the river? I hear it's out of this world.
- **W2:** I've heard you'd have to take out a loan just to buy an appetizer there.
- W1: Sometimes it's worth paying that little bit extra to get something really special. I'm thinking of taking Mark there for our anniversary.
- W2: Well, you'll have to let me know what the food's like, but I can't see me going there anytime soon.
- 47. What are the women talking about?
- 48. How do the women describe Maurizio's?
- 49. When will the second woman visit Maurizio's?

Questions 50 through 52 refer to the following conversation.

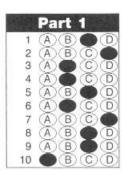
- M: So, Alyssa, I notice you got your degree in Finance from a very reputable institution.
- W: It's certainly my biggest achievement to date. It's been a long-time goal to make my mark at a major company, and I knew I'd need good credentials to get my foot in the door.
- M: Your work history so far is fairly limited: just a few part-time jobs and an internship.
- W: That's true, sir. Fortunately, most of my tuition was paid for by a scholarship. I would have got involved in more internships if my academic demands hadn't been so high.
- **50.** Why is the woman meeting this man?
- 51. What is the woman most proud of?
- **52.** Why didn't the woman get involved in more internships?

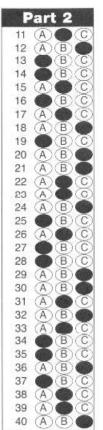
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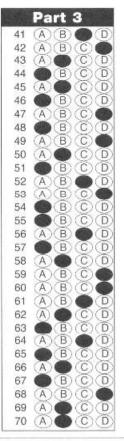
- M: I wasn't able to attend the meeting on Friday, as I took the day off to go to my sister's wedding. Did I miss anything important?
- W: Well, we did discuss the allocation of funds for the upcoming financial guarter.
- M: Ah, that would have been good to sit in on. Is there any way I can find out what decisions were made?
- W: Well, Marjorie was keeping the minutes, as usual, so if you see her she should be able to print you off a copy.
- 53. What did the man do on Friday?
- 54. What was discussed at Friday's meeting?
- **55.** How can the man find out what happened at the meeting?

Practice Test 1: Quick Check Answer Key

Listening Test

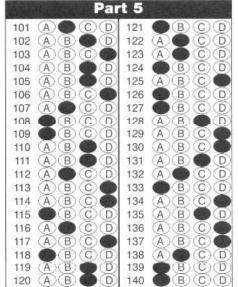






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Reading Test

