

【放送された英文】

〈Part 1〉

CD 3 2 ~ 14

The listening test for the Grade Pre-1 examination is about to begin. Listen carefully to the directions. You will not be permitted to ask questions during the test.

This test has three parts. All of the questions in these three parts are multiple-choice questions. For each question, choose the best answer from among the four choices written in your test booklet. On your answer sheet, find the number of the question and mark your answer. You are permitted to take notes for every part of this listening test.

Now, here are the directions for **Part 1**. In this part, you will hear 12 dialogs, **No. 1** through **No. 12**. Each dialog will be followed by one question. For each question, you will have 10 seconds to choose the best answer and mark your answer on your answer sheet. The dialog and the question will be given only once. Now, let's begin.

- No.1** ★ : So, Mrs. Cummings, how's my daughter doing in school?
 ☆ : Her progress is excellent overall, but I'm concerned about her math.
 ★ : Is she missing assignments?
 ☆ : No, but her test scores are low.
 ★ : She's never liked math, and I've noticed that she rushes through her homework.
 ☆ : Yes, so she makes simple errors.
 ★ : Thanks for letting me know.
 ☆ : If she takes time to check her work, I think she'll definitely get better results.

Question: What does the teacher say about the man's daughter?

- No.2** ☆ : Well, we're finally settled in. Have you met any of the neighbors yet?
 ★ : Oh, I forgot to tell you. I met the husband right next door, Craig, a real friendly guy. He invited us to dinner next weekend.

- ☆ : Really? But his wife's so quiet. I got the feeling that she likes her privacy when I met her yesterday.
 ★ : Come on, you're exaggerating. I saw her working in the garden while I was talking to Craig.
 ☆ : And I bet she didn't come up and introduce herself.
 ★ : Well ...
 ☆ : See. That's exactly what I thought.

Question: What does the woman imply?

- No.3** ☆ : You're not sending a personal e-mail from your office computer, are you, Allen?
 ★ : It's just a quick note to my mom — it's her birthday tomorrow.
 ☆ : Didn't you read the memo from the CEO? Using office computers for private communications could get you fired. I heard they're looking for excuses to cut staff.
 ★ : I doubt if they'd take a birthday message that seriously, but thanks for the warning.
 ☆ : Better safe than sorry.

Question: Why is the woman concerned?

- No.4** ★ : Can you believe it? The copier is out of order again.
 ☆ : Yeah, I know. I was supposed to make copies of the sales report this morning — fortunately, I don't need them till Friday.
 ★ : I don't have that luxury. I've got a meeting right after lunch.
 ☆ : Well, you could always try Print Clinic, that new copy store in the mall.
 ★ : I guess I'll have to do that. But maybe the office should think about investing in a new copier.

Question: What did the woman recommend that the man do?

- No.5** ★ : I can't believe this heat wave — over 35 degrees for 10 days straight.
 ☆ : I think this must be a record. Global warming is really kicking in.
 ★ : I wouldn't go that far. The world's climate has always gone through cycles.
 ☆ : This is no cycle. Scientists say it's pollution, and it's getting worse.

★ : They'll all be proven wrong in another 100 years.

☆ : I hope you're right!

Question: What does the woman think?

No.6 ☆ : Why don't you wear that tie I gave you for your birthday?

★ : The red one, you mean? Well ...

☆ : What's wrong? Don't you like it?

★ : Oh, no, I love it. In fact, it's my favorite. I just don't think it's suitable for a business dinner.

☆ : But it's such fun. It has all those cute little cartoon characters on it.

★ : That's true. But unfortunately, tonight isn't fun — it's work.

Question: What does the man suggest about the tie?

No.7 ★ : How was the trip to India?

☆ : It was fascinating. The food, the art, the religions — it really is a different culture there.

★ : Do you think you'd like to work there? Our Delhi branch is looking for a new manager.

☆ : I don't know. It was fun for a trip, but I don't think I could cope with actually living there.

★ : Well, think about it. If you'd like a posting, let me know.

☆ : I'll be sure to do that.

Question: What did the woman think of India?

No.8 ★ : How did your date go, Sarah?

☆ : With Dave? OK, I guess.

★ : What do you mean?

☆ : Well, he talks about himself an awful lot.

★ : That doesn't sound like much fun. But he's always been nice to me.

☆ : Actually, he spent a lot of money. He took me to an expensive French restaurant. But he never asked me a single question all evening.

★ : So, I guess you won't be in a hurry to go out with him again.

Question: What is Sarah's opinion of Dave?

No.9 ☆ : Did you hear the news about the bookshop closing down?

★ : Yes, I did. I rarely use it, though.

☆ : Really? I often take my kids there to choose something.

★ : At least you'll still have the library to use.

☆ : Have you seen the books there recently? They're all so ancient. They really need to do something about it.

★ : It's kind of surprising the bookshop is closing, in that case.

☆ : Well, I blame the Internet. Books are cheaper, and you can find whatever you want.

Question: Why does the woman think the bookshop is closing down?

No.10 ☆ : We need to talk about the promotion I was offered, honey. My boss needs an answer next week.

★ : The offer's great — the problem is the relocation.

☆ : You could probably find work in Leicester.

★ : But I like my job here. And Leicester is far from our families.

☆ : Maybe I should just decline.

★ : Let's not be hasty. I'll check out some options in Leicester.

☆ : I don't want you making huge sacrifices on my behalf.

★ : Well, maybe we can find a solution. Let's look into it.

Question: What does the man suggest?

No.11 ★ : How about this TV set, ma'am? It's one of the latest models, with a flat screen and a digital tuner.

☆ : Wow, that is a huge screen. The picture's so good, too.

★ : It also has a built-in DVD player — all for just \$900.

☆ : I'm sure that's a good deal, but it's still too much for me.

★ : You won't find a better price anywhere else.

☆ : Thanks. I think I'll keep looking. If I change my mind, I'll come back.

Question: What does the woman tell the shop employee?

No.12 ☆ : What's the matter, Joe? You look worried.

★ : Oh, it's nothing, Mom. It's just my credit card bill. I went way over budget again this month.

☆ : But you did that last month, too.

- ★ : That's part of the problem.
- ☆ : You have to start spending less.
- ★ : I try, but somehow I always spend more than I mean to.
- ☆ : Well, you should only use cash. Take out enough for one week from the bank, and don't spend any more than that.

Question: What advice does Joe's mother give him?

〈Part 2〉**CD 3 15 ~ 21**

Here are the directions for **Part 2**. In this part, you will hear six passages, (A) through (F). Each passage will be followed by two questions, **No. 13** through **No. 24**. For each question, you will have 10 seconds to choose the best answer and mark your answer on your answer sheet. The passage and the questions will be given only once. Now, let's begin.

(A) Reaching New Heights

It's official: the Dutch are the tallest people in the world, overtaking Americans. Since the end of World War II, the average height of Americans has leveled off while that of some European and Asian populations has risen. While the Dutch were 4 inches shorter than Americans on average just after the war, today they are about 2 inches taller.

Experts agree that genetics and the makeup of a population affect height. But they also suggest that the average height of a population is diet-related. They conclude that the American diet — high in processed foods and additives — is lacking in nutrition, which affects growth.

Access to health care also influences how tall people are. European and Asian nations with national health care systems have experienced an increase in average height. America, however, has millions of people without access to health care, and this is reflected in a steady decline of their average height.

Questions

No.13 What does the speaker say about the average height of Americans?

No.14 What is one feature of populations with increasing average height?

(B) London's Routemasters

What do you imagine when you think of London? Big Ben? Red double-decker buses? Sad to say, the glorious red double-decker Routemaster buses of London are a thing of the past. On December 9th, 2005, thousands of cheering fans turned out to accompany the last Routemasters on their final run.

Routemasters were introduced in the 1950s to replace trolley buses. They were perfectly suited for London's busy streets. Passengers could get on and off quickly at convenient spots, and friendly conductors issued tickets on the

move. The Routemasters' most popular features were the open entrance platforms at the rear and the conductors.

Why were these symbols of London phased out? According to officials, Routemasters were not wheelchair-accessible, their lack of doors made them unsafe, and the new one-man operated buses are cheaper. These may be good reasons, but many people regret that one of London's most memorable features is gone forever.

Questions

No.15 Why were Routemasters so popular?

No.16 What does the speaker say about the loss of Routemasters?

(C) Taking Tests

Most people experience some degree of nervousness before taking a test: sweating and shortness of breath are common. Such nervousness, called test anxiety, can negatively affect an examinee's test performance.

Some doctors' treat test anxiety as an illness, prescribing medication, psychological therapy, and even hypnosis for treatment. Other medical researchers, though, say such methods should be reserved only for severe cases of test anxiety. They argue that test anxiety is normal, and most people can make efforts to reduce it.

One way is by eating some fruits and vegetables before any exam since they help to relieve stress and maintain mental alertness. Researchers also suggest arriving early to exams, and not discussing the upcoming test with other examinees.

It is important to remember, however, that a little anxiety can be beneficial, as long as it is controlled. Anxiety can be a source of energy to keep the brain active, alert, and focused.

Questions

No.17 What is this passage mainly about?

No.18 What do doctors disagree about regarding test anxiety?

(D) Flower Power

For many years, European consumers could only buy flowers in season. Now, thanks to the global economy, Europeans can buy cut flowers from Asia, South America, the Middle East, and Africa at any time.

Because of its year-round warm climate and good soil, Kenya has a strong

flower industry. Kenyan flower exports have doubled in volume over the last 10 years, and expansion is running at 20 percent per year. Flower growing is an important economic sector for Kenya, being the third-biggest foreign exchange earner after tea and tourism. With 50,000 workers, it is also a significant employer.

The industry has problems, however. Environmental groups are concerned that the flower growers are overusing Lake Naivasha, the huge freshwater lake that supplies water for flower farms. Overuse of chemicals and harsh working conditions on the farms are also serious concerns. Unless Kenya can address these issues, its flower industry could be headed for trouble.

Questions

No.19 What do we learn about Kenyan flowers?

No.20 What is one problem Kenya's flower industry faces?

(E) Saving Lives on the Roads

Injuries and deaths from traffic accidents in industrialized countries have fallen since the 1960s, mainly due to advances in safety technology like seat belts and air bags. Worldwide, however, the numbers continue to rise. To address this, the World Health Organization is urging countries to focus more on modifying the habits that lead to accidents in the first place.

Getting drivers to change their behavior can have significant results. Road designs that limit vehicle speed and automatic cameras that monitor speeding have reduced the number of collisions in the Netherlands. In Australia, random police checkpoints that test drivers' alcohol levels have lowered the number of traffic accidents.

Drivers often complain that such steps limit their individual freedom. However, the World Health Organization estimates that millions of lives would be saved worldwide if governments introduced stricter laws.

Questions

No.21 What has helped decrease traffic deaths in industrialized countries?

No.22 How does the World Health Organization suggest road safety be improved?

(F) The History of Coffee

Coffee is loved throughout the world, and current estimates put consumption at 500 billion cups every year.

But it wasn't always this way. Native to Africa, coffee beans appear regularly in that continent's legends. However, it wasn't until Arab traders took them to what is now modern-day Yemen — over 1,000 years ago — that the beans were roasted, ground into powder, and then mixed with hot water to create a coffee beverage. Over the centuries, coffee houses spread throughout Muslim countries and into Europe, but Arab traders kept the coffee market tightly controlled.

In 1616, the Dutch managed to take a coffee plant out of Yemen. The biggest development in coffee's history soon followed. European nations could now grow their own coffee plants, and before long they had established large-scale coffee plantations throughout Asia and South America. The resulting international trade led coffee to become the global drink it is today.

Questions

No.23 What role did Arab traders play in the history of coffee?

No.24 What development helped make coffee a global drink?

〈Part 3〉

CD 3 22 ~ 27

Finally, here are the directions for **Part 3**. In this part, you will hear five passages, (G) through (K). The passages represent real-life situations and may contain sound effects. Each passage will have one question, **No. 25** through **No. 29**. Before each passage, you will have 10 seconds to read the situation and question written in your test booklet. After you hear the passage, you will have 10 seconds to choose the best answer and mark your answer on your answer sheet. The passage will be given only once. Now let's begin.

(G)

You have 10 seconds to read the situation and Question No. 25.

Ladies and gentlemen, I hope you are enjoying this evening's program. We have several other exciting concerts coming up, including the popular band, Space Jazz, on July the 4th. Advanced ticket sales open online on June the 15th, and there is a \$10 discount off the regular \$30 price available until June the 20th. After that you may purchase tickets at the central ticketing booth until the day before the show at \$25 each. In the unlikely event that there are any seats remaining on concert day, they will be available for the regular price of \$30.

Now mark your answer on your answer sheet.

(H)

You have 10 seconds to read the situation and Question No. 26.

May I have your attention, everyone. These are the requirements to get your license. You must be 16 years of age or older. You must attend all 20 classes in this course. You must have either 40 hours of on-road training with a licensed driver, then pass the road test, or have 25 hours of on-road experience with a certified instructor, who will give you the road test. You must pass the road test with a minimum score of 80 percent. Don't forget that you need to pass the vision test before taking the road test. All the requirements are listed at the back of your class handbook.

Now mark your answer on your answer sheet.

(I)

You have 10 seconds to read the situation and Question No. 27.

It's important that you all understand these procedures and confirm them with your staff. Here is a simple plan of the building showing each department's exit route during emergencies. The sales department should exit the building via the south stairwell. As engineering is on the first floor, they will simply walk out the front door to the street. Accounting should use the same exit as engineering. The human resources department will evacuate using the west door, at the back of the building. Finally, the R&D staff should go down the north stairwell and exit via the north door. Are there any questions?

Now mark your answer on your answer sheet.

(J)

You have 10 seconds to read the situation and Question No. 28.

We have several types of snow tires to choose from. Our top-of-the-line model is the Storm. It performs well on snowy and icy roads and costs \$480 for a set of four. Just below the Storm is the Gripper. It performs well in all winter conditions and goes for \$385 a set. We also have a couple of options in the mid-price range: the Winter Special and the All Season. At \$250 and \$300 a set, they do a reasonable job, but are not as durable. For driving in this snowy area, though, the All-Season might not be the best choice.

Now mark your answer on your answer sheet.

(K)

You have 10 seconds to read the situation and Question No. 29.

In the early morning, we have yoga classes, which many people take before going to work. Then, starting at 9 a.m., you can take water exercise or cardio conditioning. At 10 a.m., there's a stretching class in the upstairs lounge. Our noon class is very popular: a step aerobics class with weight training included. This is an hour and a half, so you get a really good workout. There are no classes offered between 2 and 5, but you may use the weights and machines in the gym. Our evening classes start at 5 and run every weekday until 11 p.m.

Now mark your answer on your answer sheet.

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