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PART 1

LISTENING

15 MINUTES

Task 1. Listen to the English teacher talk about listening and identify whether the statements are True or False (1-6).

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| 1. The interviewer finds speaking the most difficult. | True / False |
| 2. Gabriella thinks, in some situations, people can find speaking easier than listening. | True / False |
| 3. According to the interviewer, asking for someone to say the same thing again is one way to solve the problem. | True / False |
| 4. Gabriella recommends pretending to understand if a conversation is too difficult. | True / False |
| 5. Gabriella's strategy for managing important conversations sounds strange to the interviewer at first. | True / False |
| 6. Gabriella's idea involves asking a lot of questions. | True / False |

Task 2. PLEASE, READ THIS TASK VERY ATTENTIVELY. Listen to the same interview and write down the phrases which are similar in meaning to the given phrases (7-12). The figures in brackets show the number of words in the phrase.

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| 7. I can't think. | _____ (4 or 5) |
| 8. I won't be upset. | _____ (4) |
| 9. I still don't understand. | _____ (3 or 4) |
| 10. want to escape | _____ (5) |
| 11. I was really nervous or afraid. | _____ (7 or 8) |
| 12. I understand what you're saying! | _____ (3) |

Task 3. Listen to the zoo guide talking about the llamas ONLY ONCE and fill the gaps with the correct word or phrase from the box. (12-20).

dogs	wild	stressed	relaxed
warmer	gentle	three	softer
herds	curious	foxes	4,000 metres

13. Llamas and alpacas are both domesticated animals and vicuñas and guanacos are _____.
14. Llamas are very sociable animals and live together in groups, in _____.
15. They respond well to being trained and they are usually _____ and _____.
16. The alpaca is famous for its wool, which is _____ and _____ than sheep's wool.
17. Vicuñas can only be shorn of their wool every _____ years.
18. Guanacos are capable of surviving at over _____ in the Andes.
19. Llamas hum when they are _____, or the opposite, feeling _____.
20. Sometimes farmers use llama to protect sheep and hens from animals that might attack them, like _____ or _____.

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Read the text below and do the tasks after it.

Most haunted places in England

There's more to England's historic buildings than meets the eye. While many now welcome visitors daily, some have their own paranormal visitors that call them home.

A) St Briavels Castle

St. Briavels Castle is often referred to as the most haunted castle in the UK. Today, it is used as a youth hostel, but with high levels of paranormal activity reported, it may not be the best choice for getting a good night's sleep! Some of the strange things that have happened there include hearing the cries of a baby coming from King John's Bedroom, while other visitors have felt their clothes being pulled by unseen hands. Ghostly figures spotted at the castle include a black dog who wanders the rooms, a grey lady at the top corridor and a knight walking the castle's grounds. Some guests of the hostel have even left midway through their stay because they felt an uneasy presence in their room.

B) Tower of London

With a history so rich, you'd expect a few ghosts lurking around the Tower of London. There have been many reports of paranormal activity in the tower over the years, with some even claiming to see apparitions of former kings and queens. Visitors have described meeting the ghosts of two young princes — most likely, Edward and Richard who mysteriously disappeared in around 1483. The boys are often sighted in the White Tower. Another spirit said to live in the tower is the headless ghost of Queen Anne Boleyn, poor Henry VIII's wife.

C) Whitby Abbey

Whitby may be best known as the inspiration for Bram Stoker's Dracula, but there is more linking this northern fishing village to the paranormal than just vampires. In fact, Whitby is said to be home to at least 12 evil-looking beings. According to popular belief, if you look into the well at Whitby Abbey at midnight, you'll face one of two fates. Those with a pure heart will see the face of St. Hilda, while those without are believed to be swept away by the devil.

Task 4. Use context clues to guess the meaning of the following three words from the text and connect them to their meanings. There is one extra meaning you do not need to use.

21.	<i>apparitions</i>	A	used to describe a place where ghosts often appear
22.	<i>haunted</i>	B	impossible to explain by what is known to people
23.	<i>paranormal</i>	C	spirits of dead people appearing in a form that can be seen
		D	really old and scary-looking

Task 5. In which part of the text is the following mentioned? Choose from A, B or C. Only ONE answer is possible.

24. an animal spirit which sometimes shows itself to the visitors? _____
25. something that decides one's future? _____
26. an old building which now provides young people with a place to live? _____
27. a sight which helped a writer create a story? _____
28. royalty of the past? _____

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PART 3

USE OF ENGLISH

35 MINUTES

Task 6. For questions (29 – 38) read the text below and choose the word that fits best for each space. The first one is done for you.

Example answer: 0 A B C D

Sherlock Holmes and Watson

Sherlock Holmes and Dr Watson **0) went on** a camping trip. After a good meal and a cup of tea they lay down **29) _____** the night, and fell asleep. Some hours later, Holmes **30) _____** up and shook his faithful friend awake. "Watson, look up **31) _____** the sky and tell me what you see." Watson replied, "I see millions and millions of stars."

"What does that tell you?" Holmes **32) _____**. Watson thought for a minute. "Astronomically, it tells me that **33) _____** millions of galaxies and potentially billions of planets. Astrologically, I observe that Saturn is in Leo. Theologically, I **34) _____** see that God is all powerful and that we are small and **35) _____**. Meteorologically, I suppose that we **36) _____** a beautiful day tomorrow. What does it tell you?"

Holmes was silent for a minute, **37) _____** spoke. "Watson, you fool. It tells me that someone **38) _____** our tent!"

	A	B	C	D
0.	went on	turned out	came up with	got along
29.	at	for	in	off
30.	wake	has woken	woke	waking
31.	at	on	over	through
32.	asked	answered	amazed	arrived
33.	here is	here are	there are	there is
34.	can't	can	couldn't	will can
35.	impossible	unhappy	dishonest	unimportant
36.	will have had	had	are having	will have
37.	then	after	before	so
38.	stole	has stolen	stealed	was stealing

Task 7. For questions (39 – 48) form 10 compound words* by guessing the missed part. You are given the meaning of a compound word and the number of missed letters to help you. Write ONLY the missed part.

0. water + ____ (4 letters) = water, especially from a river or stream, dropping from a higher to a lower point

*Example answer: **fall***

39. book + ____ (4 letters) = anything placed between the pages of a book to show where a person stopped reading

40. _____ (6 letters) + fly = a large insect with a long, thin, brightly colored body and two pairs of clear wings

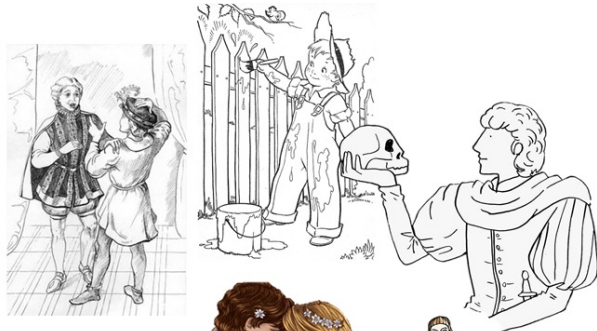





41. ____ (4 letters) + line = a line of words printed in large letters as the title of a story in a newspaper

* A **compound word** is two or more words linked together to produce a word with a new meaning. For example: tooth + brush = toothbrush (a small brush used to clean teeth) or belly + ache = bellyache (a pain in the stomach).

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42. ___ (3 letters) + scraper = a very tall modern building, usually in a city
43. ____ (4 letters) + box = a box outside a person's house where letters are put
44. sun + ___ (3 letters) = the time in the evening when you last see the sun in the sky
45. ____ (4 letters) + space = the key that you press on a computer keyboard to move the cursor to an earlier point
46. _____ (5 letters) + list = a list of people or things that are considered unacceptable and should be avoided.
47. frost + ____ (4 letters) = a medical condition in which parts of your body, such as your fingers or toes, become seriously damaged as a result of being very cold
48. _____ (5 letters) + board = a large board with a smooth white surface that teachers write on with special pens

Task 8. For questions (49 – 60) look at twelve characters from nine different books written by four different British and American writers. Remember the names of these writers, write them and complete the rest of the table placing the characters into the appropriate cells.

The Prince	
Frodo Baggins	
Gandalf	
Hamlet	
Oliver Twist	
Pip	
Gimli	
Romeo	
The Pauper	
David Copperfield	
Tibalt	
Tom Sawyer	

THE AUTHOR	BOOK 1	BOOK 2	BOOK 3
49) _____	50) _____ _____	51) _____	-
52) _____	53) _____	54) _____	55) _____
56) _____	57) _____	58) _____ _____	-
59) _____	60) _____ _____ _____	-	-

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PART 4

WRITING

25 MINUTES

Task 9. To get 15 points maximum do the writing task.

Read the text about a game.



Dungeons & Dragons (or just D&D) is a role-playing game. It is normally played indoors with the participants seated around a table. Typically, one player takes on the role of Dungeon Master (DM), while the others control the fantasy characters (elves, dwarves, wizards etc.) with special skill sets.

The game consists of a series of adventures created by the DM. The players go through them by rolling the dice, using logic, imagination and each other's help. The results of the players' actions and the overall story line for the game are determined by the DM according to the rules and the DM's interpretation of them.

D&D is a very imaginative game where you can explore an open fantasy world with your friends. The only items needed to play are the rulebook, character sheets and dices with many sides.

Would you like to play this game?

Write a short abstract using the plan:

- ✓ **express your personal opinion on the subject a short description of the game (DO NOT copy from the text, write in your own words)**
- ✓ **give at least TWO arguments for OR TWO arguments against playing D&D.**
- ✓ **conclude your thoughts.**

(100-150 words)