

Section 1: Short Conversations (40%)

Direction: You are going to hear four short conversations. While you are listening to the recordings, choose the best answer to the question and put the answer on the answer sheet.

Recording 1 (00:52)

Listen to the short conversation between **a father** and **his son Joshua**.

1. Why hasn't the father given his son allowance?
(A) because he didn't remember to do it.
(B) because he doesn't have any money now.
(C) because his son already has money.
(D) because his son hasn't behaved well.
2. When does the father usually give his son money?
(A) on Friday (B) on Monday
(C) on Saturday (D) on Sunday
3. Choose one thing the boy does **NOT** mention about how he will spend his money.
(A) He will buy some books.
(B) He will save some of it.
(C) He will give part to the needy.
(D) He will buy some toys.

Recording 2 (02:05)

Nydja talks about grades and whether we need them in education.

4. At one school she attended _____.
(A) there were no grades.
(B) grades were stressed.
(C) she got poor grades.
(D) she earned pretty high grades.
5. As an adult, she _____.
(A) thinks grades are important.
(B) thinks grades are irrelevant.
(C) thinks grades are harmful to students.
(D) does not have an opinion.

6. She says she wants her children _____.
(A) to just have fun.
(B) to be home schooled.
(C) to worry about their grades.
(D) to study for their own interest.

Recording 3 (01:19)

Mr. Taylor is having a job interview.

7. From the discussion, what did Mr. Taylor probably do for his previous company?
(A) He managed the sales department.
(B) He gave seminars on the Internet.
(C) He worked as a custodian.
(D) He served as a website designer.
8. Mr. Taylor thinks that Java is _____.
(A) a Web page authoring program.
(B) a kind of beverage.
(C) a computer game software.
(D) a name of a country.
9. What does the man mean when he says, "We'll be in touch" at the end of the conversation?
(A) He will call Mr. Taylor in the next few days.
(B) He will talk over their discussion with others.
(C) He will not contact him for further consideration.
(D) He will give him another interview.
10. Choose the best word(s) to describe Mr. Taylor.
(A) on the ball
(B) high achiever
(C) well prepared
(D) uninformed

Section 2: Short Talks (20%)

Direction: Please choose the best answer after you hear the recordings.

Recording 4 – news (00:32)

11. How many countries will the president visit?
(A) Three
(B) Seven
(C) Eleven
(D) Twelve
12. What will be the topic of the talks in Switzerland?
(A) Art (B) Trade
(C) Tourism (D) Development
13. When will the president return home?
(A) September 13th
(B) September 30th
(C) December 13th
(D) December 30th

Recording 5 – Weather (00:57)

14. How will the weather be tomorrow afternoon?
(A) Cool.
(B) Clear.
(C) Foggy
(D) Stormy
15. What may happen in low-lying areas?
(A) Floods
(B) Tornadoes
(C) Warm fronts
(D) Lightning flashes

Section 3: Longer Talks (40%)

Direction: Please choose the best answer after you hear the recordings.

Recording 6 (04:04) – climate change

16. What method does the economist want to use to stop climate change?
(A) Use wind to generate electricity. (B) Introduce a carbon tax.
(C) Use less air-conditioning. (D) Make people use electric cars.
17. How would this method affect driving?
(A) The price of gasoline would fall. (B) The price of gasoline would rise.
(C) The price of cars would fall. (D) The price of cars would rise.
18. How would this method reduce carbon emissions?
(A) People would care more about the environment.
(B) People would not be allowed to drive cars.
(C) People would use less fossil fuels to save money.
(D) The government would be able to make more money.
19. Why is this better than the current way we are trying to reduce carbon emissions?
(A) It is simpler and cheaper. (B) It is more complex and expensive.
(C) It is more complex and cheaper. (D) It wouldn't need a new law.
20. Why is this method almost cost-free?
(A) Energy costs would be reduced.
(B) There would be more jobs in coal mines.
(C) People would pay less for gas.
(D) The Government could reduce income tax and help the economy.

Recording 7 (04:23) – No-tech policy

21. What is a no-tech policy?
- (A) Teaching children about technology is banned.
 - (B) Gameboys are allowed but x-box is banned.
 - (C) Swimming is banned.
 - (D) Cellphones and electronic games are banned.
22. Why does the camp have a no-tech policy?
- (A) So children can interact and make human connections with each other.
 - (B) So children won't lose their cellphones at camp.
 - (C) So children won't spend so much money on batteries.
 - (D) So children can't ring their parents and bother them all the time.
23. Which activity do children **NOT** do at camp Sloane
- (A) sailing
 - (B) mountain biking
 - (C) rock climbing
 - (D) fishing
24. What technology is allowed at the camp?
- (A) cellphones
 - (B) iPads
 - (C) personal devices
 - (D) safety equipment
25. How long must a child be underwater before the audio alarm goes off?
- (A) 10 seconds
 - (B) 20 seconds
 - (C) 30 seconds
 - (D) 40 seconds