

LISTENING - Part 1

You will hear three different extracts. For questions 1-6, choose the answer (A, B or C) which fits best according to what you hear. There are two questions for each extract.

Extract One

You will hear two people talking about their grandparents.

1 What kind of character is the man's grandfather?

- A unsociable
- B quiet but friendly
- C moody but lively

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2 What did the woman's grandparents use to do?

- A try to upset the children by exhausting them
- B get very tired when the children stayed with them
- C laugh because the children weren't as fit as they were

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Extract Two

You will hear two people talking about their childhood.

3 What is the relationship between the speakers?

- A school friends
- B mother and son
- C siblings

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4 We learn that

- A the man is more highly qualified than the woman.
- B the woman failed her degree.
- C the man failed all his school exams.

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Extract Three

You will hear two people talking about their partners.

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- A is engaged.
- B is married.
- C will probably get a divorce.

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6 Paul thinks

- A Brian needs to make a decision soon.
- B Jenny needs to be more positive.
- C they should change their careers to make time for each other.

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LISTENING - Part 2

You will hear a report about the 11-plus exam in Britain. For questions 7-14, complete the sentences

Studying for the 11-plus exam

According to experts, the **7** of children does not significantly help them to pass exams.

English grammar schools receive **8** on average for every place they have.

Mike Walker says that the 11-plus questions are **9** .

Every year approximately **10** children take the 11-plus exam.

According to a recent study, grammar schools tend to have more children from fairly wealthy families than children from **11** backgrounds.

In schools that aren't grammar schools, 12 per cent of children receive **12** .

You have to pay nearly £300 in extra costs for **13** for the internet tutoring course.

Opinions on the effectiveness of courses as preparation for the 11-plus exam are **14** .

LISTENING - Part 3

You will hear two psychologists talking about modern childhood. For questions 15-20, choose the answer (A, B, C or D), which fits best according to what you hear.

15 What does Daniel imply about past images of childhood?

- A They are entirely fictional.
- B They all show the misfortunes of childhood.
- C They are diverse.
- D They represent the innocence of childhood.

16 When mentioning the children throwing bags on the bus-stop, Louise is

- A critical.
- B amused.
- C angry.
- D sarcastic.

17 According to Daniel,

- A children are failing to learn adequate social skills.
- B children do not eat a balanced diet.
- C children are becoming involved in political scandals.
- D children are far more sociable than they used to be.

18 Louise believes that

- A parents are no longer interested in their children.
- B children should study harder to pass school exams.
- C modern life has a negative effect on children.
- D most parents are emotionally unstable.

19 What does Louise say about the media?

- A Manipulative actors have a negative effect on children.
- B It encourages celebrities to inspire young children.
- C Adverts are aimed more at young people than adults.
- D It glorifies unrealistic ideals.

20 Daniel implies that

- A children would be happier if their parents taught them at home.
- B machines are more of a menace to children than people are.
- C teachers aren't helping children to be competitive enough.
- D most teenage problems stem from an unbalanced diet.

LISTENING - Part 4

You will hear five short extracts in which people are talking about workaholism.
While you listen you must complete both tasks.

TASK ONE

For questions 21-25, choose from the list A-H the person who is speaking.

A	a police officer		
B	a teacher	Speaker 1	21 <input type="text"/>
C	an advertising agent	Speaker 2	22 <input type="text"/>
D	a translator	Speaker 3	23 <input type="text"/>
E	a journalist	Speaker 4	24 <input type="text"/>
F	a banker	Speaker 5	25 <input type="text"/>
G	a tax inspector		
H	a cleaner		

TASK TWO

For questions 26-30, choose from the list A-H what each speaker is expressing.

A	a desire to change their lifestyle but realising this isn't possible		
B	the view that a sense of duty to society should not be taken to extremes	Speaker 1	26 <input type="text"/>
C	regret at having spent too much time playing golf with a superior	Speaker 2	27 <input type="text"/>
D	the view that workaholism is a class issue	Speaker 3	28 <input type="text"/>
E	the belief that work ethic is linked to and varies by culture	Speaker 4	29 <input type="text"/>
F	the view that the main cause of marital breakdown is workaholism	Speaker 5	30 <input type="text"/>
G	how, for them, the lure of financial reward led to workaholism		
H	the view that the government should intervene to grant more holidays		