

PAPER 4 LISTENING (approximately 40 minutes)

Part 1

You will hear people talking in eight different situations. For questions **1–8**, choose the best answer (**A**, **B** or **C**).

- 1** You overhear a woman talking to her husband on a mobile phone.
What is the background to the conversation?
 - A** The family's holiday may have to be cancelled.
 - B** The woman wants to buy their son a computer.
 - C** Their son has schoolwork to complete before the start of term.

- 2** You hear a phone-in programme on the radio.
Why has the man phoned?
 - A** to complain about the traffic scheme
 - B** to express his support for the traffic scheme
 - C** to question the aims of the traffic scheme

- 3** On the radio, you hear a woman talking about her house.
What has she recently done?
 - A** decided to move to another area
 - B** solved a problem that she had
 - C** made improvements to her house

- 4** You overhear two people discussing a friend.
What language does their friend usually speak at home?
 - A** French
 - B** English
 - C** Italian

- 5 You hear a man talking about an activity holiday he went on as a child with his family. How did he feel during the holiday?
- A bored by the climbing
 - B upset with his father
 - C disappointed with the rowing boat
- 6 You hear the beginning of a radio programme. What is the programme going to be about?
- A child development
 - B the environment
 - C a form of entertainment
- 7 You hear a man being interviewed about a new project he has set up. What is the purpose of the project?
- A to help people find accommodation in Scotland
 - B to tell people where to stay in Australia
 - C to advise people how to set up a flat agency
- 8 You switch on the radio in the middle of a programme. What kind of programme is it?
- A an arts review
 - B an interview
 - C a quiz show

Part 2

You will hear an announcement about an evening's programmes on Radio Pearl. For questions 9–18, complete the sentences.

7.30 pm 'Art Review': Student Art Exhibition

This evening's programme is taking place at the

9 in London.

The exhibition is of work by students in the

10 year of their art course.

At the exhibition, you can see things as different as curtains and

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Some of the works of art have been made using

12 technology.

8.00 pm Play: 'The Vanishing Lady'

In the play, a young couple on a train think they hear the sound of someone using a

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A 14 tells the couple about an old lady whom he has seen.

After writing this play, the author, Porten, became a writer for

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9.30 pm 'Business Scenes': Interview with Peter Field

Peter used to work for a 16

Peter says the material he uses for his boats is a particular kind of

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Peter collects 18 as a hobby.

Part 3

You will hear five different people talking about the way they study. For questions **19–23**, choose from the list (**A–F**) which of the opinions each speaker expresses. Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

A Music helps me concentrate when I'm studying.

Speaker 1

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B I study best in the morning when I can think clearly.

Speaker 2

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C I realise I study better when I'm outside in the open air.

Speaker 3

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D I find I can concentrate better when I study with a friend.

Speaker 4

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E It is much easier for me to study late at night.

Speaker 5

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F I prefer to study when I'm lying down.

Part 4

You will hear a girl called Tricia Simpkins talking at a public meeting about a plan to create a nature reserve in the centre of a large city. For questions **24–30**, choose the best answer (**A**, **B** or **C**).

24 How did Tricia once feel about the countryside?

- A** She preferred it to the city.
- B** She paid no attention to it.
- C** She wanted others to experience it.

25 Why did Tricia take part in a wildlife survey?

- A** She was required to do it.
- B** She preferred it to being in school.
- C** She was asked to do it by her neighbours.

26 What does Tricia say about the results of the survey?

- A** They were unsatisfactory.
- B** They were confusing.
- C** They were unexpected.

27 What does Tricia say about the problems created by trees?

- A** People exaggerate them.
- B** People ignore them.
- C** People accept them.

28 According to Tricia, what is wrong with the trees the council is planting?

- A** They are expensive to replace.
- B** They fail to attract wildlife.
- C** They are too small for the area.