

Comprehensive Mocking Test

Name:.....

Mark.....

Listening Section (UΛ, Rξ)

1. The speaker finally makes a decision to live in Canada

- a. Temporarily b. permanently c. for short time d. not given

2. When the speaker was a child he.....in Canada.

- a. Lived b. live c. did not live d. planned to live

3. Canada is the.....biggest country in the world.

- a. First b. second c. third d. fourth

4. But it has onlyof the world's population.

- a. Five percent b. zero point zero five percent c. zero point five percent d. zero point fifteen percent

5. Which ocean is located along its east coast?

- a. The Pacific ocean b. the Arctic ocean c. the Indian ocean d. the Atlantic ocean

6. Which one is the biggest city in Canada?

- a. Ottawa b. Toronto c. both d. none

7. What is the national winter sport of Canada?

- a. Ski b. professional matches c. hockey d. ice hockey

8. The national colour(s) of Canada is/are

- a. Red/white b. yellow/white c. red d. white

9. What makes Canada the most famous country according to the speaker's opinion?

- a. The villages b. the weather c. the activities d. the atmosphere

10. How many famous Canadians are mentioned by the speaker who most people think they are Americans?

- a. 1 b. 2 c. 3 d. 4

Choose the right answer:

- 1- My best friend's name is Millie. I.....her for about eight years.
 a. Known b. have known c. has known d. have knew
- 2- Julie.....in Italy for six years – she lives in the capital, Rome.
 a. Have been b. has be c. has d. has been
- 3-cousins have you got?
 a. How often b. how much c. how long d. not given
- 4-does the film last?
 a. How long b. how many c. how d. when
- 5- They.....at night.
 a. Travelling b. travels c. travelling to d. not given
- 6- I was really.....to see her because I thought she was on holiday!
 a. Surprised b. scare c. happened d. disappoint
- 7-joining a gym. It's a good way to get exercise.
 a. Trying b. Tired c. Try d. Buy
- 8- You.....leave your bag open on a bus.
 a. Should b. Should left c. Shouldn't d. Shall
- 9-any more bread?
 a. Does you want b. Are you wanting c. Are you want d. Do you want
- 10- What.....John.....next weekend?
 a. Are/doing b. is/doing c. are/do d. not given
- 11- My dress is very similar.....yours.
 a. From b. than c. to d. with
- 12- That's one of the.....films I've ever seen!
 a. Bad b. worst c. worse d. worsed
- 13- She has to be very careful in the sun because her skin is very.....
 a. Blonde b. purple c. pale d. pile
- 14- I'd like to.....India one day.
 a. Visit b. visiting c. visited d. visits
- 15- Whatyou.....to.....at the meeting?
 a. Are/planned/say b. are/planning/said c. are/planning/saying d. are/planning/say
- 16- I sawbeautiful vase in.....antique shop the other day. When I went back,vase wasn't there anymore!
 a. An/a/the b. a/an/the c. the/an/a d. a/the/an
- 17- There aren't.....Japanese restaurants near here.
 a. Some b. much c. any d. too much
- 18- I.....get there before 7 o'clock, sorry.
 a. Won't definitely b. definitely will c. definite d. definitely won't
- 19- If the weather is good, we.....play tennis later.
 a. Are going b. are going to c. will going to d. not given
- 20- *I don't think they will* change their minds.
 a. They probably won't b. they might c. they may d. they will definitely
- 21- We.....have a dog called Tilly.
 a. Used to b. didn't used to c. using to d. are using to
- 22- I enjoy.....on the beach before work.

- a. run b. am running c. running d. is running
- ٢٣- If my brother.....here now, he would know what to do.
- a. is b. were c. want d. be
- ٢٤- The bread is.....in a large bakery outside town.
- a. Make b. makes c. made d. maked
- ٢٥- I.....English since last year and for a very very long time.
- a. Have being learning b. have been learning c. have been learnt d. have learning

Vocabulary

(٢٠ Marks)

١٧. The baby is very.....so her diaper needs changing.
- a. Dry b. wet c. sleepy c. thirsty
١٨. The lawyer's.....was unusually high.
- a. Fare b. account c. price d. prize

1 - An email from a friend

Hi!

I've been meaning to write for ages and finally today I'm actually doing something about it. Not that I'm trying to make excuses for myself, it's been really hard to sit down and write, as I've been moving around so much. Since we last saw each other I've unpacked my bags in four different cities. This job has turned out to be more of a whirlwind than I expected, but it's all good!

I went from London to Prague to set up a new regional office there. You know I'd always wanted to go, but maybe I was imagining Prague in spring when I used to talk about that. Winter was really hard, with minus 10 degrees in the mornings and dark really early in the evening. But at least it was blue skies and white snow and not days on end of grey skies and rain, like at home. It's tough being away from home over Christmas, though, and Skype on Christmas Day wasn't really the same as being with everyone.

From there I was on another three-month mission to oversee the set-up of the office in New York. Loved, loved, loved New York! It's like being in one big TV show, as everywhere looks just a little bit familiar. I did every tourist thing you can think of when I wasn't working, and must have spent most of my salary on eating out. It was really hard to leave for the next job, especially as I kind of met someone (!) More about Michael later ...

So then I was posted to LA, which felt like a whole other country compared with the East Coast. I could definitely get used to that kind of outdoor, beach lifestyle, but I didn't spend as much time getting to know California as I could have because I was flying back to see Michael every other weekend. He came to see me when he could, but his job means he's often working at weekends, so he couldn't make the flight very often. Those three months flew by and then I was off again, to Frankfurt, which is where I am now. And ... so is Michael! He got a month off work and we're trying to work out how we can be in the same place at the same time for a while. We figure the first step in that direction is getting married, which is also why I wanted to write – I can't get married without my oldest friend there! The wedding's going to be at home in London in September and I hope you can come!

Anyway, tell me all your news and I promise not to leave it so long this time!

Lots of love,

Kath

Q\): Match the cities with the descriptions

(A-Frankfurt, B-New York, C-LA, D-London, E-Prague)

- ١- Where she will get married – London
- ٢- A city that wasn't what she expected - Prague
- ٣- An expensive place – New York
- ٤- A place she didn't really see much of – L.A
- ٥- The most recent city she's lived in – Frankfurt

QȲ: Choose the correct answers

- ٦- Recently, Kath has been
 - a. making an effort to email people she knows.
 - b. Making an effort to borrow some money
 - c. too busy to even think about writing emails.
 - d. thinking about writing an email to her friend.

- ٧- Prague was
 - a. better than Kath imagined.
 - b. just as Kath imagined.
 - c. Not given
 - d. not as nice as Kath imagined.

- ٨- Kath says Christmas was
 - a. exciting because she was in a new place.
 - b. difficult because she missed her family.
 - c. A never-ending holiday
 - d. as good as usual thanks to technology.

- ٩- In New York, she spent most of her money on
 - a. tourist attractions.
 - b. restaurants.
 - c. a TV.
 - d. Playing tennis

- ١٠- How did Kath feel about LA?
 - a. It's nice for a holiday but not to live.
 - b. Very depressing
 - c. She would have enjoyed spending more time at the beach.
 - d. She didn't really like the beach part of the LA lifestyle.

- ١١- Kath and Michael are
 - a. thinking about how to spend more time together.
 - b. working out where to hold the wedding.
 - c. Planning to travel to Saudi Arabia next year.
 - d. planning to get engaged.

Υ- Work–life balance

Ronan

“I work in a fairly traditional office environment doing a typical nine-to-five job. I like my job, but it's annoying that my commute to work takes an hour and a half each way and most of my work could really be done online from home. But my boss doesn't seem to trust that we will get any work done if left to our own devices, and everyone in the company has to clock in and out every day. It's frustrating that they feel the need to monitor what we do so closely instead of judging us based on our task performance, like most companies do these days.”

Jo

“I used to do a typical five-day week, but after I came out of my maternity leave, I decided that I wanted to spend more time with my children before they start school. After negotiating with my boss, we decided to cut my working week down to a three-day work week. This of course meant a significant cut in my pay too, as I'm paid on a pro-rata basis. I've since noticed, though, that my workload hasn't decreased in the slightest! I'm now doing five days' worth of work in three days, but getting paid much less for it! I find myself having to take work home just so that I can meet the deadlines. It's wearing me out trying to juggle work with looking after my children and my family, but I don't dare to bring this up with my boss because I think he feels as if he's made a huge concession letting me come in only three days a week.”

Marcus

“I work for a global IT company, but because their headquarters is in the States, I do all my work online from home. That means that I don't waste time commuting or making idle chit-chat with colleagues. I work on a project basis, and this flexibility is very valuable to me because it means that I can easily take some time off when my children need me to go to their school performances or if I need to schedule an appointment with the dentist. The downside is that without clear office hours, I tend to work well into the evening, sometimes skipping dinner to finish a task. It can also get quite lonely working on my own, and I sometimes miss sharing ideas with colleagues.”

Lily

I'm a freelancer and work for myself. This is great because I am in control of what I do and how I spend my time. At first, I was working from home, but I found it really hard to concentrate. There were just too many distractions around: housework that needed doing, another cup of tea, my family members wanting my attention for various things. So I started to go to a nearby café to work, but the Wi-Fi connection wasn't ideal and I found myself drinking too much coffee. In the end, I decided to rent a desk in a co-working space with five other freelancers like myself. I liked getting dressed to go to work in the morning and being able to focus in an office environment. The other freelancers

do similar kinds of web-based work to me and so it's nice to have workmates to bounce ideas off as well.

Q2: Choose the best answer

12- Ronan would prefer it if he

- a. wasn't left to his own devices.
- b. could spend more time commuting and less time in the office.
- c. could work from home and be judged based on task performance.
- d. could trust his boss more.

13- Jo wanted to reduce her working hours because she

- a. thought she would be more efficient and productive when she was at the office.
- b. wanted to bring her work home.
- c. wanted to go on maternity leave.
- d. wanted to spend time with her children.

14- Jo is unhappy with her three-day work week because

- a. she didn't realise how much the change would affect her economically.
- b. she now has to spend more time looking after her children and her family.
- c. she has more deadlines to meet.
- d. her workload has remained the same although she's reduced her hours.

15- In Marcus's opinion, which of these is a disadvantage of working from home?

- a. You spend a lot of time in the house.
- b. It's easy to get distracted by your family.
- c. You tend to work later.
- d. You end up eating more as you have access to the fridge all day.

16- Why did Lily not like working from home?

- a. She found it lonely.
- b. Her family didn't like her working.
- c. She didn't have a good Wi-Fi connection.
- d. There were a lot of distractions.

17- What solution did Lily find most suitable for her working needs?

- a. Renting an office space to work from.
- b. Working from a café.
- c. Working for an employer.
- d. Working for other freelancers.

Q3: Are the sentences true or false?

18- Ronan's boss thinks his employees will not be as productive if they work from home.

- a. True
- b. False

- ١٩- Ronan thinks that the performance of employees should be judged according to how much time they spend in the office.
 - a. True
 - b. False
- ٢٠- Jo is paid the same for a five-day work week as she is on a three-day work week.
 - a. True
 - b. False
- ٢١- Jo feels exhausted trying to manage both a five-day workload and childcare.
 - a. True
 - b. False
- ٢٢- Although Marcus sees the benefit in not having idle chit-chat, he misses interacting with his colleagues.
 - a. True
 - b. False
- ٢٣- Lily didn't like working from the café because the coffee wasn't very good.
 - a. True
 - b. False

Q٥: What does the underlined word mean in each sentence?

- ٢٤- It's frustrating that they feel the need to monitor what we do so closely instead of judging us based on our task performance.
 - a. fostering
 - b. fictitious
 - c. annoying
 - d. not given
- ٢٥- it's wearing me out trying to juggle work with looking after my children and my family.
 - a. manage
 - b. abandon
 - c. not given
 - d. pay for

Writing (٢٠ Marks)

Write (٢٠٠) words for One of the below questions.

- ١. Some people like to travel with a companion. Other people prefer to travel alone. What are the advantages and disadvantages of each? Use specific reasons and examples to support your choice.
 - what is his/her name
 - why do you like that
 - where do you go
- ٢. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Technology has made the world a better place to live. Use specific reasons and examples to support your opinion.