

# 高中英語聽力模擬測驗全練習 進階篇

**聽力內文**

Listening Scripts

TEST  
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一、看圖辨義

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For question 1, please look at picture A. Question

1. Who is the man?

- (A) A professor.
- (B) A researcher.
- (C) A murderer.
- (D) A volunteer.

For question 2, please look at picture B. Question

2. Where are the people going?

- (A) Under a microscope.
- (B) To a retreat.
- (C) To the symphony.
- (D) Under an underpass.

For question 3, please look at picture C. Question

3. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) How to motivate.
- (B) How to negotiate.
- (C) How to get a promotion.
- (D) How to set the pace.

For question 4, please look at picture D. Question

4. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) National participation.
- (B) Lunar exploration.
- (C) Definition of tolerance.
- (D) A class reunion.

For question 5, please look at picture E. Question

5. Which statement is true about the picture?

- (A) They should surrender.
- (B) The transfer is almost complete.
- (C) The settlers chose well.
- (D) The soil is fertile.

For question 6, please look at picture F. Question 6.

What is the man doing?

- (A) Creating a sculpture.
- (B) Using a translator.
- (C) Participating in a revolution.
- (D) Taking part in an orchestra.

For questions 7 and 8, please look at picture G.

Question 7. Which statement is true about the woman?

- (A) She is giving an explanation.
- (B) She is showing hesitation.
- (C) She has a parachute.
- (D) She enjoys luxury.

Question 8. Where is the woman going?

- (A) To the freeway.
- (B) To a helicopter.
- (C) To a youth hostel.
- (D) To an escalator.

For questions 9 and 10, please look at picture H.

Question 9. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) He likes doing housework.
- (B) He is exhibiting generosity.
- (C) He is showing frustration.
- (D) He is doing an evaluation.

Question 10. Where are the people?

- (A) In an urban area.
- (B) On a submarine.
- (C) In a rural area.
- (D) On a shuttle.

二、對答

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Question 11: Why do you feel anxious?

Question 12: What do you feel grateful for?

Question 13: Can you open the attachment?

Question 14: Did you bring me a souvenir from your trip?

- Question 15:** I forbid you to leave the house tonight.
- Question 16:** Do you think of yourself as an intellectual?
- Question 17:** Why are you blushing?
- Question 18:** What conjunction should go in this sentence?
- Question 19:** What is an essential tool for every job seeker?
- Question 20:** Are there any disadvantages to urban living?

### 三、簡短對話

- (M)** For Question 21, you'll listen to a short conversation.
- (W)** What are you working on?
- (M)** I'm composing a new piece. It's for a movie about a courageous soldier that died, so the music has to sound tragic.
- (W)** Wow. Will it be played by a symphony?
- (M)** No. I think just piano and violin. I think those two instruments can sound very sad together.
- (W)** Question 21. What is the man doing?
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- (W)** For Question 22, you'll listen to a short conversation.
- (M)** I really love our new apartment. The convenience of living next to the MRT is really nice.
- (W)** I know. I confess, when we moved in, I was not very excited, but I like it now.
- (M)** You weren't? Why not?
- (W)** Well, it's kind of an ugly concrete box of a building. But, it is quite comfortable.
- (M)** Question 22. What are the two people talking about?
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- (W)** For Question 23, you'll listen to a telephone call.
- (M)** Costumes Unlimited. This is Hank.
- (W)** Hi, Hank. I need a disguise. I want to play a trick on my best friend. Do you have curly

wigs?

- (M)** We have over 100 different wigs to choose from. Even ones with sparkles.
- (W)** No sparkles. I don't want to stand out. I'm trying to hide.
- (M)** Question 23. Why does the woman call the costume shop?
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- (W)** For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.
- (M)** You did a really good job on the new website. I like the weekly bulletins you're putting up, too.
- (W)** Thanks! I'm spending a lot of time on it.
- (M)** I can imagine. Are you going to upload audio soon, too?
- (W)** That's next month. I'll let you know when I'm done.
- (M)** Question 24. When will audio be on the site?
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- (W)** For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (M)** How is your recovery coming along?
- (W)** Very good, actually. My leg is almost all healed.
- (M)** At least you're not using crutches anymore. That must have been really annoying.
- (W)** Oh, yes. Crutches are terrible. But, after such a terrible car wreck, I was pretty lucky.
- (M)** True. It could have been a real tragedy.
- (W)** I know! I can't believe everyone survived. Sliding on the ice and then hitting that tree was terrifying.
- (M)** How many people were in the car with you?
- (W)** My mom and dad were both travelling with me. They were totally fine, though.
- (M)** The car was totalled, though, right?
- (W)** Yes, but the insurance company covered it. I'm buying a splendid new vehicle.
- (M)** Oh, yeah? What are you going to buy? As soon as you can drive again, that is.
- (W)** I think I want a sports car. It's my reward for all this trouble.

- (M) Question 25. Why was the woman using crutches?
- (W) Question 26. Who will pay for the woman's new car?
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- (M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (W) I think I want to be surgeon.
- (M) Are you serious? Do you know how many years that takes?
- (W) How many? Like 8 years?
- (M) Much longer. You have to sacrifice roughly 12 years, I think.
- (W) I don't care. The salary is worth it. And the satisfaction of being so skilled and saving people's lives.
- (M) I would be miserable, having to study for so many years.
- (W) You just have to commit yourself, and find motivation.
- (M) You seem so sure of yourself. I have no idea what I want to study.
- (W) What classes do you enjoy now?
- (M) I guess chemistry has been fun this semester. What could I do with that?
- (W) You could make new medicines. Or more durable building materials.
- (M) That sounds interesting. I'll have to think about it.
- (W) Question 27. Why does the woman want to be a surgeon?
- (M) Question 28. What kind of career does the man want?
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- (W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (M) Construction is starting on the new office building tomorrow.
- (W) Oh, congratulations. Care to share any of the details?
- (M) We're going to have copper accents around the outside doors. And big concrete beams holding up the ceiling.

- (W) That sounds very... industrial.
- (M) That's the idea. I want it to look very modern, and unique.
- (W) What about comfort? Don't you think that's important? I think that environment sounds stressful to work in.
- (M) I do have the tendency to forget about comfort. I just want it to look impressive.
- (W) I can help you choose some artwork for the walls.
- (M) You think that's appropriate?
- (W) Definitely. If you're going to have just concrete everywhere, you need to have something colorful.
- (M) OK. Nothing too magnificent, though. I don't want my staff to be distracted. I want them to concentrate on getting their work done, and making me more money.
- (W) Question 29. What does the woman think about the new building?
- (M) Question 30. What kind of artwork does the man want?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following talk.

Welcome, class of 2015. On today, our graduation, I'd like to congratulate all of you on this great accomplishment. Our generation, I think, has a very bright future ahead, if we are able to interact more with the world around us. Don't be ignorant of the world outside your small room, your small apartment, your small country. Hasten to get involved in life, and don't be afraid to go your own way. Being peculiar is not bad; in fact, I think it's the only way to be unafraid of being yourself.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following talk.

The craft of filmmaking has developed a lot in the last decade, but this is mostly in the area of special effects and getting 3D screens in the cinema. If

we look at the elements of the story, these have not changed all that much. For example, certain characteristics of a comedy are always present. The lead character is dynamic, and usually smart. There is always a fantastic supporting character, usually kind of dumb. Emotions are exaggerated, but everyone ends up happy.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following advertisement.

Have you ever dreamed of seeing a glacier up close? Of glimpsing a penguin or a polar bear in its natural environment? Ice Age Tours is offering a special promotion this May- a fully furnished tour of the North Pole for only \$50,000. The price includes these functional gloves and shoes that protect against frost bite. Also, a special journal will be provided for you to record your trip to the top of the globe. All food and drink are also included in the price. Reserve your spot today.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the course introduction.

Welcome to Literature 430. I am your professor, Mr. Dodds. I think many of you registered for this course because you have dreams of being novelists. I don't blame you. There are no limitations in fiction, no boundaries to your ideas. There are, nonetheless, certain rules that we will discuss which will help your ideas take shape. For example, always portray at least one of your characters as being mysterious. It leaves your readers wanting more. Our first assignment...

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following report.

The recent storm has left this small village isolated from the rest of civilization, as the only road going in or out has been covered in mud. You can see here, behind me, the cliff from which the landslide started, as mud came roaring down during the rainstorm, burying their lifeline to the outside world. The military will carry out an operation

tomorrow, attempting to stage an explosion to loosen up some of this mud. The location of the explosion will be just here, to my...

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*

TEST  
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一、看圖辨義

For question 1, please look at picture A. Question 1. What is the car doing?

- (A) Withdrawing into itself.
- (B) Expanding into new space.
- (C) Being consistent.
- (D) Going around a curve in the road.

For question 2, please look at picture B. Question 2. Who is the man?

- (A) A wizard.
- (B) A transformer.
- (C) A witch.
- (D) A translator.

For question 3, please look at picture C. Question 3. Where are the people?

- (A) In a laboratory.
- (B) In a legend.
- (C) In a facility.
- (D) In a gallery.

For question 4, please look at picture D. Question 4. Which statement is true about the picture?

- (A) The people are looking for a hose.
- (B) The people are walking gracefully.
- (C) There is hope on the horizon.
- (D) It looks like a hurricane.

For question 5, please look at picture E. Question 5. Which of the following statements would the policeman probably say?

- (A) I must overthrow you now.
- (B) Hand over your licence, please.
- (C) The percentage is too high.

(D) That recipe is no good.

For question 6, please look at picture F. Question 6. Which statement is true about the picture?

- (A) The next city is 65 miles away.
- (B) The maximum speed is 65 miles per hour.
- (C) The next exit is 65 miles away.
- (D) The minimum speed is 65 miles per hour.

For questions 7 and 8, please look at picture G. Question 7. What is sold in this shop?

- (A) Hardware.
- (B) Guarantees.
- (C) Fragrances.
- (D) Knuckles.

Question 8. What is the man doing?

- (A) Looking at his reflection.
- (B) Looking for minerals.
- (C) Going on the offensive.
- (D) Installing the sign.

For questions 9 and 10, please look at picture H. Question 9. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) Furniture restoration.
- (B) Avoiding pickpockets.
- (C) Occupying a new house.
- (D) Dealing with nearsightedness.

Question 10. What is the last step in the process shown?

- (A) Making the project profitable.
- (B) Getting the right fuel.
- (C) Putting on new knobs.
- (D) Illustrating what you want.

二、對答

Question 11: Why was Rachel so mad at you?

Question 12: Are you a pessimistic person?

Question 13: Why are you taking off your shoe?

Question 14: Why are you a vegetarian?

Question 15: What is the theme for your party?

tomorrow?

**Question 16:** What else do you need for your fishing trip?

**Question 17:** Do you want any more wine?

**Question 18:** Why is that man in prison for so long?

**Question 19:** What will you do for Tomb Sweeping Day?

**Question 20:** Where is your appointment this afternoon?

### 三、簡短對話

**(M)** For Question 21, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(W)** How do you like this photograph?

**(M)** It's beautiful. What is it? Is it an iceberg?

**(W)** No. Actually, it's an enlarged image of a hydrogen atom. Isn't that amazing?

**(M)** Wow. I never knew science could be so artistic. I would love to hang this in my house.

**(W)** Question 21. What are the two people talking about?

**(W)** For Question 22, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Excuse me, ma'am. Do you need some assistance?

**(W)** Yes, I'm looking for a battery for my watch.

**(M)** I think those batteries are in aisle five. Would you like me to show you where that is?

**(W)** Yes, please. I don't want to get lost again in this huge place.

**(M)** Question 22. Where does the conversation take place?

**(W)** For Question 23, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** My mom alerted me to the fact, yesterday, that I will not be getting any more monthly allowance next year.

**(W)** Well, it's about time. You are an adult now. I don't know any other 33 year old that still

gets an allowance.

**(M)** I know. But now I'll have to work more!

**(W)** Join the club! This is the real world, buddy!

**(M)** Question 23. What did the man's mother tell him?

**(W)** For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Your behavior has been a little bit odd lately.

**(W)** Odd? Well, I am going to be a bride in just three days.

**(M)** Yeah, and I'm going to be your groom. I'm not feeling anxiety about anything. It feels totally normal.

**(W)** I'm afraid I'm going to make a fool of myself, OK? I'm very clumsy!

**(M)** Question 24. Why is the woman nervous?

**(W)** For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.

**(M)** Our accountant has advised us to acquire more property.

**(W)** Why? We already own an apartment.

**(M)** He says we'll owe fewer taxes if we invest in more real estate.

**(W)** That makes sense. What area are you thinking of looking?

**(M)** What about one of the new suburbs?

**(W)** It would be nice to live away from the city. Away from all the smog.

**(M)** Then we could just rent out our apartment here.

**(W)** That won't be tough.

**(M)** I know. There will be so much privacy away from the city as well.

**(W)** That will be nice, too.

**(M)** Let's take a drive this weekend and go check out some places.

**(W)** Wonderful. How exciting!

**(M)** Question 25. Where will the people buy a house?

**(W)** Question 26. What will the people do this weekend?

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- (M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (W) I'm sorry to say this, but your new sunglasses are not really Gucci.
- (M) I'm insulted!
- (W) They're not! They're fakes.
- (M) How can you tell?
- (W) Look here at the arm. It's supposed to say Gucci, but it actually says Pucci.
- (M) I guess I should have known I couldn't buy name-brand glasses for such a modest price.
- (W) How much did you pay for this poor imitation?
- (M) About NT\$5,000.
- (W) What? That's not modest! Aren't you furious at getting ripped off so badly?
- (M) Not really. It's my fault.
- (W) Next time, just make sure you're buying the genuine article before handing over the cash.
- (M) I know, I know.
- (W) Question 27. How does the woman know the glasses are fake?
- (M) Question 28. Why is the man not mad?

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- (W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (M) What's the last ingredient here?
- (W) It says to pour in a little vinegar, and the volcano should erupt.
- (M) I hope this works. We've spend a lot of time on this science project.
- (W) Don't worry. I do have a reputation for being a genius, you know
- (M) Yeah, right. More like a reputation for thinking you're a genius.
- (W) Oh, shut up. Now pour in the vinegar. [pouring sounds]
- (M) Nothing's happening. This thing doesn't work. I told you we should have built the telescope.
- (W) [explosion sound] Watch out!
- (M) We must have put in too much vinegar!
- (W) The intensity of that explosion was all wrong.
- (M) Now there is red stuff everywhere. My room

is in ruins. I'm going to get the worst scolding ever for this and it's all your fault, genius.

Thanks a lot.

(W) Question 29. What are the two people doing?

(M) Question 30. What caused the explosion?

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#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following talk.

Jerod, I need you to write an e-mail for me, please, to all the dormitory residents. A Japanese diplomat is going to do a walk-through tomorrow, because his daughter might want to go to our university. It is vital that you put strong emphasis on the need to be courteous at all times to him and his daughter. Also communicate that it is preferable for all students to be wearing their school uniforms as opposed to the more informal clothes they wear outside of the classroom. I want him to be impressed with us.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following advertisement.

The recent flood of refugees has caused some problems, mostly due to the fact that we do not have enough shelter for these poor people to live in. Instead of a roof over their heads, refugees are being forced to exist in thin tents, in surroundings which are dirty and dangerous. If these people want to strive for a better future, the first step is to have a safe place to study, eat and sleep. If you have the slightest feeling of sympathy, visit [www.homesforhumanity.com](http://www.homesforhumanity.com), and look at a list of voluntary positions to help build homes.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following talk.

Welcome to the freshman English speaking class. As you know, at the end of the year, the top two students will be sent to study in London for their sophomore year. How can you be one of those students? You must intensify your exposure to the



language. Walk around with headphones. Listen to radio shows from the U.S. and the U.K. Speak English with your friends every day. Learn more idioms by watching movies, and imitate how the actors talk. Competition for the top two spots is fierce, so start working hard now.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following report.

Rescue workers saved a man's life tonight from a fire in his home. The man's wife had asked him for a divorce, and, according to neighbors, a verbal clash followed that could be heard from outside. The man apparently started lighting his own house on fire, and, scarcely 10 minutes after the first flame, the house was completely on fire. The wife escaped, called 119, and said that her husband was trapped inside. The fire department came promptly, and, in a remarkable show of bravery, rescued the man in time.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following talk.

How far should universal health coverage go? I tend to be stingier than some in answering this question. I do feel that healthcare should not only be for the privileged, but I do think the government needs to have tighter regulations on when people can seek free medical care. The reason for the visit should have some significance, like a severe sickness or broken bone, not just a sneeze or the flu. Psychological issues should be covered, but not for mere boredom or sadness. Welfare should go those with real necessity.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*



### 一、看圖辨義

**For question 1**, please look at picture A. Question

1. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) The converse is true.
- (B) They are criticizing each other.
- (C) Cooperation is important.
- (D) They need some elastic.

**For question 2**, please look at picture B. Question

2. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) That looks like a chore.
- (B) They are cherishing this moment.
- (C) That's very elegant.
- (D) They are gliding along.

**For question 3**, please look at picture C. Question

3. What is the woman doing?

- (A) Painting a monument.
- (B) Painting overnight.
- (C) Painting a landscape.
- (D) Painting a possession.

**For question 4**, please look at picture D. Question

4. What is the boy doing?

- (A) Being objective.
- (B) Practicing a presentation.
- (C) Putting things in his locker.
- (D) Recalling his notes.

**For question 5**, please look at picture E. Question

5. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) Pronunciation of consonants.
- (B) Word classifications.

- (C) Circular breathing.
- (D) Dominating conversation.

**For question 6,** please look at picture F. Question 6. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) They should put the bike on the ferry.
- (B) I think there are germs on the seat.
- (C) That seat must be quite damp.
- (D) That bike is being crushed.

**For questions 7 and 8,** please look at picture G.

Question 7. Who is the man?

- (A) A lecturer.
- (B) An idol.
- (C) A financial adviser.
- (D) A gangster.

**Question 8.** What is the man doing?

- (A) Robbing a liquor truck.
- (B) Resolving to do better.
- (C) Taking care of a witness.
- (D) Committing a moving violation.

**For questions 9 and 10,** please look at picture H.

Question 9. Which of the following statements would the woman probably say?

- (A) I should send a telegram.
- (B) This must be tribal land.
- (C) I've never seen this species.
- (D) I want revenge.

**Question 10.** What is the woman doing?

- (A) Creating disorder.
- (B) Enforcing a rule.
- (C) Making a sketch.
- (D) Making a reservation.

## 二、對答

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**Question 11:** Are you tolerant of people who disagree with you?

**Question 12:** Who do you find admirable?

**Question 13:** What kind of cargo is on that ship?

**Question 14:** Isn't that sunset glorious?

**Question 15:** What impression did you get from Vera?

**Question 16:** What are you doing for New Year's Eve?

**Question 17:** Why are you being so defensive?

**Question 18:** How can you become fluent in English?

**Question 19:** Did you find an economical place to stay on holiday?

**Question 20:** Why do you think her depression worsened?

## 三、簡短對話

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**(M)** For Question 21, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(W)** Can you obtain the inventory we need?

**(M)** We can, Miss. I have you down for 500 boxes of black brassieres.

**(W)** Great. Our stores are out of black.

**(M)** They will be here by Friday, at the latest.

**(W)** Question 21. Why does the woman order black brassieres?

**(W)** For Question 22, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Would you like to accompany me to a dinner party this evening? It's at my boss' home, and I am supposed to bring a date.

**(W)** I would love to. I assume I will have to dress up?

**(M)** Yes. I am wearing a suit and tie.

**(W)** I have this new dress that is simply divine, and now I have a chance to wear it!

**(M)** Question 22. Where will the two people go this evening?

**(W)** For Question 23, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** I have no discipline. I really want to lose weight, but I can't stop eating junk food.

(W) I have a few suggestions for you. I know you love meat, just try buying lean instead of the fattier portions.

(M) That's a good idea. What else?

(W) Cut out pasta. Replace it with brown rice.

(M) Question 23. What does the woman want the man to do?

(W) For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.

(M) Do you have a favorite quotation?

(W) I do, actually. Confucius said, "Life is simple, but we insist on making it complicated."

(M) I agree. That is a fundamental I should live by.

(W) I know. Basically, we just need to take it easy.

(M) Question 24. What does the man want to do?

(W) For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) Be honest. What did you think of my speech?

(W) I'm reluctant to answer that question.

(M) Uh oh. Was it that bad?

(W) It was full of wrong information! Did you check your facts before you wrote your speech?

(M) Not really.

(W) I could tell. You referred to the President of the U.S. as George Bush.

(M) He's not?

(W) That was, like, 5 years ago!

(M) What about my reference to a philosopher? That made me sound clever.

(W) You said that Kim Kardashian was a philosopher.

(M) She's not?

(W) Argh. This is a nightmare!

(M) Question 25. Why did the woman not like the man's speech?

(W) Question 26. What did the man think was clever?

(M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.

(W) Did you see what they published in the newspaper about our firm?

(M) Yes. The article said we manufacture unsafe goods.

(W) But that's nonsense! Just because one guy choked on his harmonica...

(M) I know. Listen, people will see that it was his own fault. He was being drunk and foolish.

(W) They do say all publicity is good publicity.

(M) Exactly! The name of our product was on the front page!

(W) You're right.

(M) This not a defeat. It's a victory!

(W) I get it, I get it.

(M) Do you feel better now?

(W) I do. I was about to hand in my resignation. Good thing I talked to you first!

(M) Anytime.

(W) Question 27. What did the newspaper say about their company?

(M) Question 28. Why is the woman glad she talked to the man?

(W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) Did you do the homework about the pirate Red Beard?

(W) I did. He was quite cruel. I read that he demanded strict obedience and...

(M) And if any of his crew were disloyal, he threw them off the ship.

(W) I also read that if you had the misfortune of being in his crew, you would be crammed into one sleeping space with five other people.

(M) He did have a lot of men on his ship.

(W) But Red Beard himself was prosperous.

(M) He was. Whenever they would go to shore, he would steal all the gold and silver.

(W) He never gave any to his men.

(M) True, but he did make sure that beer was plentiful on board!

(W) Sure, but fetching a beer could be fatal! Red Beard could snap at anytime!

- (M) I know. He killed hundreds of his own men.  
(W) You had to have been desperate to work for him.  
(W) Question 29. How did Red Beard grow prosperous?  
(M) Question 30. According to the woman, who chose to work for Red Beard?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following report.

The new autobiography from biologist Jane Scooby is a thoroughly entertaining read. When Jane was a teenager, she saw gorillas in movies, and they seemed violent, brutal even. Then, she went to the zoo one day, and looked one in the eye. She realized that it had emotions, just like a human. The way people thought about them was troublesome. So, Jane moved to Africa, and lived among the gorillas for a decade. The bonds she formed were real, strengthened by her ability to trust them, and live with them, as equals.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following advertisement.

Do you want to own your own home? Have you not started looking because you're afraid you have to go bankrupt in order to get your dream house? Do not be discouraged! The Land Beyond Agency is your ticket to living your dream. Our agents are experts at finding just what you're looking for, without breaking the bank. Do you want lots of space, perhaps a farm? We have acres in the countryside just waiting for you. Do you want a fashionable urban apartment, making everyone envious? We have it all. Call today.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following talk.

It is difficult, especially if you are placed in the more advanced classes, to feel confident, even adequate. In this ballet academy, we only accept

the best of the best. The most distinguished performers come from our school, and we have an enduring tradition of training future principal dancers for the top companies. If you do make it through try outs today, remember this warning: you must be dominated by strength and confidence, and still delight in others' success. Envious feelings will infect your own performance with weakness.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following report.

Welcome to this episode of Honest Critics. Today, we are looking at a film which is a candidate for Best Picture in the upcoming movie awards. Surprisingly, it is a movie based on a comic book. Usually, these action films are not considered distinguished cinema; however, this is not just an action movie. It's a combination of romance and action. The concept is based on the G Men, a group of gifted students who find out they have special powers. Although it sounds familiar, there is a gigantic plot twist that makes it all worthwhile.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following advertisement.

Do you have a book report due on Monday morning? Is it about a book that is too long, and too boring, to even consider reading? I have a technological solution for you. Download the new program called Route to Reports, and you can enjoy some well deserved relaxation time. Just install the software, upload an ebook of whatever you have to read, and, in 2 seconds, the program will summarize the most important points for you. Our slogan is, "We read it, you rock it." Press a button, and get an A!

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*

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一、看圖辨義

**For question 1,** please look at picture A. Question

1. Which statement is true about the woman?

- (A) She can't go to the embassy.
- (B) She is late for her departure.
- (C) She doesn't have her identification.
- (D) She hasn't flown lately.

**For question 2,** please look at picture B. Question

2. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) Intermediate.
- (B) Intonation.
- (C) Participles.
- (D) Resolutions.

**For question 3,** please look at picture C. Question

3. What is the woman doing?

- (A) Neglecting her family.
- (B) Pedaling backwards.
- (C) Resembling her grandmother.
- (D) Predicting the future.

**For question 4,** please look at picture D. Question

4. Who are the people?

- (A) Nursery students.
- (B) Photography students.
- (C) Proverbial students.
- (D) Preservation students.

**For question 5,** please look at picture E. Question

5. Who is the man?

- (A) A typist.
- (B) A pianist.
- (C) A mechanic.
- (D) A physician.

**For question 6,** please look at picture F. Question

6. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) The man is being precise.
- (B) The man must be shortsighted.
- (C) The man looks suspicious.
- (D) The man is doing a revision.

**For questions 7 and 8,** please look at picture G.

Question 7. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) Flower reduction.
- (B) Plant maturity.
- (C) Nuclear energy.
- (D) Perfume production.

**Question 8.** What is the second step in the process?

- (A) Putting petals in a pot.
- (B) Making a flower permanent.
- (C) Overcoming a fragrance.
- (D) Extending flower life.

**For questions 9 and 10,** please look at picture H.

Question 9. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) She must have an imaginary friend.
- (B) Perhaps she feels guilty about something.
- (C) Turn that frown upside down.
- (D) They are, without exception, alive and well.

**Question 10.** Which of the following questions would the girl probably ask?

- (A) Isn't this a delightful tea party?
- (B) Should I take it to the council?
- (C) Has circulation gone up?
- (D) Should it be broiled before we eat it?

二、對答

**Question 11:** I can't believe your coat only cost NT\$500.

**Question 12:** Please be very careful handling the sculpture.

**Question 13:** Is there a decrease in sales this month?

**Question 14:** I can't make out what this note says.

**Question 15:** What does your mom do?

**Question 16:** What would help me retain these vocabulary words better?

**Question 17:** What else must be done to fulfill my requirements?

**Question 18:** Why are you resigning?

**Question 19:** How do you refresh yourself after a long week?

**Question 20:** Did you get up to mischief last night?

### 三、簡短對話

**(M) For Question 21,** you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(W)** Do you have any aspirin?

**(M)** Do you have a headache?

**(W)** Um, I'm kind of ashamed to admit this. I showed too much enthusiasm at the game, and I fell while I was jumping. I hurt my ankle.

**(M)** No worries. I've been there.

**(W)** Question 21. Why does the woman need aspirin?

**(W) For Question 22,** you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Thanks for walking around the electronics store with me.

**(W)** It's fun. Are you looking for a certain device?

**(M)** I just need some extra storage, for all the movies and music I've been downloading.

**(W)** They have some really nice portable storage devices now.

**(M)** Question 22. What is the man looking for?

**(W) For Question 23,** you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Where were you last night?

**(W)** As odd as it sounds, I was working on a quilt.

**(M)** A quilt? Why?

**(W)** My friend is a diplomat. I'm sewing a different

panel for every country she worked in for her birthday.

**(M)** Question 23. What was the woman doing last night?

**(W) For Question 24,** you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** What do you think about the popularity of mustaches lately?

**(W)** What do you mean?

**(M)** It seems like every new band has guys with facial hair.

**(W)** I know hipsters in the U.S. have mustaches. Images of young cool people are very persuasive.

**(M)** Question 24. What are the two people talking about?

**(W) For Questions 25 and 26,** you'll listen to a conversation.

**(M)** Do you intend to work at this firm for a long time?

**(W)** Well, I have heard that there are other companies offering higher salaries.

**(M)** Are you implying that you are exploring other jobs?

**(W)** To be honest, yes.

**(M)** I know the labor market is strengthening, but we really like you.

**(W)** Why did you call me in here today, sir?

**(M)** We think that, eventually, you could make partner in the law firm.

**(W)** I'm... I wasn't expecting that.

**(M)** You approach cases with highly imaginative ideas, and you always win.

**(W)** Wow, thank you.

**(M)** I'm going to give you more challenging cases and see how you do.

**(W)** I will show my gratitude by winning them all, sir. Thank you.

**(M)** Question 25. What has the woman been doing?

**(W)** Question 26. Where does the conversation take place?

(M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.

(W) Hey! Whoa- what's wrong? Why are you holding your abdomen like that?

(M) I just feel like I want to throw up.

(W) Let me make you some ginger tea.

(M) That would be great. Sorry- it's just stress.

(W) Why? What's going on?

(M) My wife and I are trying to buy an apartment.

(W) What's so stressful about that? I think it sounds exciting!

(M) Well, we applied for a conventional loan today from the bank, and we're waiting to hear back about approval.

(W) You should be approved, no problem! You guys aren't broke, you have good jobs!

(M) But, since we don't work for a specific company, the bank people said they can't forecast our income with any accuracy.

(W) But you are always designing a website for someone, and your wife has danced for some of the biggest stars!

(M) I know. Tell the bank that!

(W) Question 27. Why is the man stressed out?

(M) Question 28. What does the bank say about the man's income?

(W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) Why did you choose to come to this camp?

(W) I... don't want to be a dependant of anyone else. I want to establish myself as a strong person.

(M) You don't feel you are strong now?

(W) No. Not the extent I'd like to be, at least.

(M) We will help you with that. Let me introduce you to our program. The first week will be spent in the forest. By yourself.

(W) Oh, my gosh. Will you give me any gear or equipment?

(M) A minimal amount. Enough to help you survive.

(W) Actually, I've always had a fantasy of being lost on a deserted island and taking care of myself.

(M) Also, we believe in strict equality here. Males and females must accomplish the same tasks.

(W) That's good. I like that.

(M) This experience is meant to make you hopeful, not horrify you. You will survive a stronger person.

(W) I will. I know I will.

(M) Question 29. Who is the man?

(M) Question 30. What will be given to the woman?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following talk.

Perfection is impossible. However, this is easy to forget when we are faced with countless, continuous images of perfect looking women in magazines, on TV, and in films. We, as women, misunderstand beauty. Beauty is not counting every calorie. Beauty is not monitoring everything we eat and do, comparing ourselves to impossible standards. Do not be misled by the media. Do what you enjoy, including some sort of physical activity, and eat delicious food, in appropriate portions.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following advertisement.

I'm here today to talk to you about our staff retreat programs. Maybe you have seen our reviews in publications such as Office Today magazine- many companies have given us a 5 star rating. We offer yearly retreats for a company with anywhere from ten to 100 employees. Through our systematic trust-building exercises, such as tug-of-war and partner surfing, we make your staff a strong, connected group. We reform burnt out employees into productive members of a successful team.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following talk.

Listen, Tara, you know you are a highly valued member of this basketball team, but you are just out of control right now. You are the highest scorer, yes, but that has made you vain. I mean, you were late to practice today because you were getting your nails done! Honestly, your behavior has gone past tiresome. I think it's shameful, and I won't tolerate it from a member of my team, especially a senior member. You either remedy your behavior now, or you're off the team.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following advertisement.

It is time to revise your idea of vacation. You don't need palm trees and a beach! At Arctic Wonderland, we offer an experience you will never forget. Upon arrival, a porter will take your bags to your room, and you will be taken, by sleigh, to the reception area. There, while eating fresh baked walnut cookies, we will help you design your experience. Many like to reflect on things while relaxing in our sauna, or snowshoeing around the park. We really do have it all.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following talk.

Thank you for coming, ladies and gentlemen. As you know, I have a new report here on our neighbors to the west. The satellite picked up an image of their army moving to the north. A spy we have inside their government observed a war plan being handed over to the president yesterday, and overheard remarks mentioning the date of the 25th. After that terrible incident last year, we know they have missiles and are willing to fire them. I think we should call the UN immediately.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*



一、看圖辨義

**For question 1**, please look at picture A. Question

1. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) She shouldn't wear nylons.
- (B) Pregnancy is not easy.
- (C) She is positively magnetic.
- (D) I wonder what her occupation is.

**For question 2**, please look at picture B. Question

2. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) Proper handwashing procedure.
- (B) Proceeding with clean water.
- (C) Muddy shoes.
- (D) Applying lotion.

**For question 3**, please look at picture C. Question

3. What is the boy doing?

- (A) Visiting historic sites.
- (B) Surfing the Internet.
- (C) Being primitive.
- (D) Paying partial attention.

**For question 4**, please look at picture D. Question

4. Which of the following statements would the man probably say?

- (A) Don't! That's poisonous!
- (B) You need oxygen.
- (C) This is a mutual agreement.
- (D) You have no loyalty.

**For question 5**, please look at picture E. Question

5. Where is the woman?

- (A) The correct formation.
- (B) The middle of an investigation.



- (C) In the machinery.  
(D) In a makeup shop.

**For question 6**, please look at picture F. Question 6.  
Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) How to inspire hope in others.  
(B) Manual movement of circular objects.  
(C) The orbit of the Earth around the sun.  
(D) A space foundation you can join.

**For questions 7 and 8**, please look at picture G.  
Question 7. Who is the woman?

- (A) An examiner.  
(B) An errand girl.  
(C) An examinee.  
(D) A pure delight.

**Question 8.** Which of the following questions would the woman probably ask?

- (A) Don't be needy.  
(B) How many syllables are in the word "elephant"?  
(C) Do you have a screwdriver?  
(D) I can't sway you.

**For questions 9 and 10**, please look at picture H.  
Question 9. Which statement is true about the girl?

- (A) She seems like a faithful person.  
(B) She has no concentration.  
(C) She is in some dispute.  
(D) She is seeking fame.

**Question 10.** What are the people doing?

- (A) Showing their confusion.  
(B) Working on their digestion.  
(C) Assembling behind the girl.  
(D) Looking for a bridegroom.

## 二、對答

**Question 11:** Do you need any tools to complete your project?

**Question 12:** Why are you being so critical?

**Question 13:** Do you like that woman?

**Question 14:** What else do you want in your salad?

**Question 15:** How do you cope with failure?

**Question 16:** Do I have your assurance that the assignment will be completed on time?

**Question 17:** Can you demonstrate how to use this dye?

**Question 18:** Do you have a philosophy you live by?

**Question 19:** Will the client offer much resistance to our plan?

**Question 20:** Why are you collecting signatures?

## 三、簡短對話

**(M) For Question 21**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(W)** Are you still working on the piece for the Modern Art Museum?

**(M)** Yes, the statue. I'm carving the head, now. It's taking forever.

**(W)** Why?

**(M)** My calculations were off and the arms and legs kept cracking. I had to start again.

**(W)** Question 21. Who is the man?

**(W) For Question 22**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** What rhymes with 'pickpocket'?

**(W)** Um... stick socket. That phrase doesn't make any sense though. What are you doing?

**(M)** Writing a song about my trip to Europe. Someone stole my wallet.

**(W)** At least it was a memorable trip!

**(M)** Question 22. What happened to the man?

**(W) For Question 23**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Your monthly salary here will vary, namely due to the nature of the position.

**(W)** What do you mean?

**(M)** As a salesperson, the amount of product you sell is the main indication of what you'll earn.

(W) Oh. So if I don't sell anything, I'll make no money. Got it.

(M) Question 23. Why will the salary vary?

(W) For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.

(M) It's evident to me that the era of MTV was finished as early as the 90's.

(W) I completely agree. In the U.S., at least.

(M) It was largely due to the phenomenon of reality television.

(W) Agreed. We should look at the history of MTV in Europe now.

(M) Question 24. What became popular in the 1990's?

(W) For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) In 1681, the first fort was built on this site.

(W) Who was the founder?

(M) The founder was named Tobias Thorn, and he was a genuine hero.

(W) Why do you say that?

(M) He fought in the war, saved the lives of his whole troop, 127 men.

(W) Was he honorable in his personal life as well?  
I agree that one act was heroic, but was he always like that?

(M) According to records, yes. He was a family man, had 6 kids and made sure they all learned to read.

(W) That's pretty amazing for the time, actually.

(M) And, one year after leading a group of 100 pioneers here and building the fort, he brought out his family.

(W) Was he kind to the native population?

(M) Very. He hosted a feast every Friday for pioneers and natives.

(W) Wow. Tobias Thorn should be an inspiration for leaders today, I think.

(M) Question 25. Why does the man say Tobias Thorn was a hero?

(W) Question 26. What did Tobias Thorn do for his

family?

(M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.

(W) I have some bad news.

(M) Oh, no. Go ahead. What is it?

(W) I've been looking at our accounts, and our finances are exhausted.

(M) What? How did that happen?

(W) We spent too much money fixing up the new house.

(M) I guess we did go a little crazy furnishing it.

(W) And that fireplace! Why did we order marble from Italy?

(M) We just got too excited.

(W) I don't think we can afford to pay for our daughter's honeymoon now.

(M) But, we promised her!

(W) Well, if we lighten our spending by \$20,000 a month, I think we can still foot the bill.

(M) How on earth will we do that? That's impossible!

(W) Question 27. What did the two people spend too much money on?

(M) Question 28. Why does the woman want to save money?

(W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) Hey! How was the medical conference?

(W) Really amazing. They are exploring some incredible things right now.

(M) Like what?

(W) One company showed us this foam that can be used to stop bleeding, even from a bullet wound.

(M) That's so cool!

(W) And, another company has an experimental drug for AIDS patients that prevents them from passing on the virus.

(M) How does it work?

(W) Oh, I don't really understand that part. Something about gene therapy.

(M) The impact of that will be huge, especially in Africa.

(W) I know. The initial stages have shown very positive results.

(M) Have they started human trials yet?

(W) Not yet. Those are still about a year away.

(W) Question 29. What did the woman see that could stop bleeding?

(M) Question 30. What does the AIDS drug do?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following report.

I am standing here at a well-known manufacturing plant just outside city limits. At some point in the last month, there was an incident in the research and development lab here, as workers accidentally spilled acid down the sink, and into the city's water supply. Scientists are analyzing water samples now, and citizens are anxiously awaiting the results. If the water is indeed poisonous, all activities with tap water must be ceased, including showers and washing dishes. We will tell you as soon as the results are in.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following announcement.

The city is constructing a new sports stadium next year, and they are holding a contest to choose a name for the new structure. Anyone from the community can enter their ideas. There is one rule, that name consists of a name or idea representing local significance. The judges will also be looking for answers exhibiting creativity. The naming campaign starts tomorrow, and submissions will be accepted through the end of August. Ideas can be sent in by email, to linda.huffing@city.gov. Get to work, folks!

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following report.

Residents of this neighborhood are well aware of

a continual problem: young people entering the graveyard at night, painting images and words on the stones. The content of these images is frequently offensive and none will be shown here. However, last night, detectives came close to catching the criminals. Dressed as a security guard, one detective pretended to doze, allowing two youths to enter the yard. When the boys took out their paint, the detective ran towards them. Unfortunately, they were able to flee.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following talk.

Hello, ladies. Let me be honest with you. Modesty is outdated. These days, the name of the game is confidence. How can we show confidence? Clothes that prominently show our sexiest parts. Do you have toned arms? Wear sleeveless tops. A tight bottom? Choose tight jeans. There's nothing wrong with wearing the occasional tube top, my friends! You will not offend people by looking good! Don't live in terror of rejection. Instead, choose clothes that not only make you look good, but make you feel good, too!

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following talk.

Students, your teenage years are difficult. Happiness and success are not measured by popularity. Do not let bullies win. Some kids may treat you roughly, may try and make your life severely difficult. Do not merely shrug, and resign yourself to unhappiness. I wish there were a special syrup you could drink to learn sympathy, and how to be tolerant, but there isn't. Bullies might not change, but you can. Strive be your best. The ultimate revenge is you enjoying your life, not allowing them to affect you in any way.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*



### 一、看圖辨義

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**For question 1,** please look at picture A. Question

1. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) Perhaps he's nearsighted.
- (B) He needs some lotion.
- (C) He should go into retirement.
- (D) He needs some input.

**For question 2,** please look at picture B. Question

2. What is the man doing?

- (A) Holding out his earphones.
- (B) Showing his curiosity.
- (C) Halting traffic.
- (D) Saying farewell.

**For question 3,** please look at picture C. Question

3. Who is the man?

- (A) A manufacturer.
- (B) A minister.
- (C) A physicist.
- (D) A conductor.

**For question 4,** please look at picture D. Question

4. Which statement is true about the boy?

- (A) He is precise.
- (B) He is keeping pace.
- (C) He's very messy.
- (D) He is obedient.

**For question 5,** please look at picture E. Question

5. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) Finding motivation.
- (B) Being productive.
- (C) Merits of being busy.

(D) Choosing a profession.

**For question 6,** please look at picture F. Question 6.

Who is the woman?

- (A) A technician.
- (B) A psychologist.
- (C) An instructor.
- (D) A consultant.

**For questions 7 and 8,** please look at picture G.

Question 7. Which of the following statements would the woman probably say?

- (A) That's a good split!
- (B) What a good tap dancer you are!
- (C) You are not tolerable!
- (D) Aren't you thoughtful?

**Question 8.** Where are the people?

- (A) An objection.
- (B) In a competition.
- (C) In a marathon.
- (D) An inspection.

**For questions 9 and 10,** please look at picture H.

Question 9. What are the people trying to do?

- (A) Show the essentials.
- (B) Sing frostily.
- (C) Sing in harmony.
- (D) Show fierceness.

**Question 10.** Who are the people?

- (A) A chorus.
- (B) A constitution.
- (C) A dynasty.
- (D) A disaster.

### 二、對答

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**Question 11:** How did you manage to finish the marathon?

**Question 12:** I would like you to become acquainted with the training materials first.

- Question 13:** Did you see the new catalogue?  
**Question 14:** I really want to see the new science-fiction film.  
**Question 15:** Do you have an estimate for how many guests we should expect?  
**Question 16:** Which lecture are you going to today?  
**Question 17:** When do you recite your new poetry?  
**Question 18:** Do you think you will definitely go to Thailand next week?  
**Question 19:** Should we go for a walk after that big meal?  
**Question 20:** How is retirement treating you?

### 三、簡短對話

- (M)** For Question 21, you'll listen to a short conversation.  
**(W)** I'm going to a protest this weekend at the zoo.  
**(M)** Why? What's wrong with zoos?  
**(W)** It's nothing but cruelty to animals. Those zookeepers have no conscience.  
**(M)** I guess those cages are too small.  
**(W)** Question 21. Why doesn't the woman like zoos?
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- (W)** For Question 22, you'll listen to a short conversation.  
**(M)** How do you think we can surprise mom for her birthday?  
**(W)** We need to devise a plan. She needs to be out of the house so we can decorate.  
**(M)** She'll be working at the charity until 5.  
**(W)** Perfect. Let's get started.  
**(M)** Question 22. Why does the woman want her mother out of the house?
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- (W)** For Question 23, you'll listen to a short conversation.  
**(M)** I feel like we are having problems with our

communication.

- (W)** I know. The slightest negative comment causes offense with you!  
**(M)** Hey! OK. Let's try and only say things that are constructive and positive.  
**(W)** Whatever. I'm breaking up with you.  
**(M)** Question 23. What problems are the man and woman having?
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- (W)** For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.  
**(M)** I want to order 5 coffees to go. Do you have a carrier I can use?  
**(W)** For sure. I hope you're not going to consume all this caffeine!  
**(M)** On the contrary. None of this coffee is for me. It's for my co-workers.  
**(W)** You're so nice!  
**(M)** Question 24. What is the man doing?
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- (W)** For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.  
**(M)** I played the funniest joke on Tom!  
**(W)** What did you do?  
**(M)** I put a pin in the chair cushion before the teacher sat down.  
**(W)** That's horrible. It's not even a clever trick.  
**(M)** I think it was quite cunning. And delightful. He screamed like a girl.  
**(W)** You are a coarse and rude person.  
**(M)** What! It was only a pin!  
**(W)** Well, did you have good motivation for such a cruel action?  
**(M)** Totally! He's way too tough on us. He told us to complete a translation of a 200 page novel in two days.  
**(W)** That's impossible!  
**(M)** Exactly! Of course, no one finished it. He scolded us for an hour.  
**(W)** Maybe he did deserve the pin.  
**(M)** Question 25. What did the man do to his teacher?  
**(W)** Question 26. How does the woman feel about

the man at the end of the conversation?

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- (M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (W) So, Harold, what are you studying in your junior year?
- (M) Inventions that led to the era of industrialization.
- (W) That sounds... interesting?
- (M) It is, surprisingly. I mean, the consequences were explosive.
- (W) What do you mean?
- (M) Well, the changes in the world at this time, such as in production methods and other technology, this is what eventually led to globalization.
- (W) Don't you sound clever!
- (M) Oh, shush, mom. I'm just really into this class!
- (W) That's wonderful, honey. What else has it made you think about?
- (M) The world just seemed to have more innocence before this era.
- (W) Well, that's what floods of information do.
- (M) Yeah. The printing press started it all.
- (W) Question 27. What are the two people talking about?
- (M) Question 28. According to the woman, what takes innocence away?

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- (W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (M) Sally, could you hand me that calculator?
- (W) Here you go. What are you doing?
- (M) I'm just adding up the expenses for the upcoming military party.
- (W) What kind of party is it?
- (M) I just know it's a celebration of... I'm not sure, exactly. Civilians aren't allowed to know.
- (W) You can't know what kind of party you're helping them pay for?
- (M) That information is classified. They always say that.
- (W) Hmm. Not very cooperative, are they? Let's

look at the list of purchases.

- (M) It says here, NT\$5,000 for electronics. You think karaoke?
- (W) Probably. This says, \$20,000 for this restaurant.
- (M) The commander always chooses really good food.
- (W) So far, this sounds like a terrific party. Let's sneak in!
- (W) Question 29. Who is the man?
- (M) Question 30. What is the military spending money on?

#### 四、短文聽解

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**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following instructions.

In building your new cabinet, you must listen to my exact instructions, or it will be a disaster. First, connect this drawer to the knob with the glue provided. Then, insert a blade between the back of the contact paper and the paper itself, and peel it off. Place the sticky side down inside the drawer to line it with the contact paper. Lastly, glue the arch piece on the top of the cabinet. And you're done! Although at first this seemed like a very ambitious project, the whole cabinet can be assembled in less than 10 minutes.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following advertisement.

This new invention, called the Crushinator 2000, will revolutionize your breakfasts. Looking for a healthy way to consume more fruit and vegetables? This is the answer! The container on the top can hold up to 3 kilos of food. In the morning, press this button, and the device crushes the densest food, such as hard nuts, without ruining the delicate taste. Not only will this help add vitamins and minerals to your daily diet, but its elegant design looks lovely on your counter. For more information, call 800-534-8579.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following

talk.

I'm going to show you a tremendous animal today. An animal you've never seen- because we made it. My company changed the genes of a bird to make its beak dull, so it can't hurt anyone with it, and we also made its chirp sound like a piano. It is a breed of bird that is made specifically to a pet, as it cannot hurt children and its sounds are lovely to have around the home. We tried to preserve all the best parts of the bird, and rid ourselves of the messiest bits. The bird's feathers never fall out, and you can choose the color.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following advertisement.

Choosing healthful options for our breakfast is getting more difficult, with all the tastier-seeming options out there, like syrup covered pancakes and colorful cereals. With this special container, called the Vital Vessel, you can transform any breakfast into a healthy option. Simply put in plain yogurt, and then tell the digital display what flavor you want. Pancakes, for example. The device will then transform your yogurt into a splendid treat that not only tastes great, but helps your stomach feel better throughout the day.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following talk.

A singular opportunity is coming up, folks, your thirty year high school reunion! This year, it will be held at a rural, mountainous retreat that you can bring the family to. There are some restrictions on the number of guests allowed, and you can see those when you register online. There will be a reception on Friday night- see how many classmates you can recognize! Then, on Saturday, we've prepared a remarkable presentation on what our more successful ex-students have accomplished in the decades following graduation.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*



### 一、看圖辨義

**For question 1**, please look at picture A. Question

1. What is true about the girl?
- (A) She is looking at her reflection.
  - (B) She has overcome a lot.
  - (C) She is neglecting her boyfriend.
  - (D) She has good participation.

**For question 2**, please look at picture B. Question

2. Which topic is being discussed?
- (A) Plural nouns.
  - (B) Logical pairs.
  - (C) Verb pairs.
  - (D) Pronoun references.

**For question 3**, please look at picture C. Question

3. What would someone say when they see the scene?
- (A) That's a magnificent feast.
  - (B) That's a gifted family.
  - (C) That table looks imaginary.
  - (D) They have the best intentions.

**For question 4**, please look at picture D. Question

4. What are the man and the dog doing?
- (A) Playing a harmonica.
  - (B) Isolating themselves.
  - (C) Playing intimately.
  - (D) Playing fetch.

**For question 5**, please look at picture E. Question

5. What is the woman doing?
- (A) Looking desperate.
  - (B) Doing an expansion.
  - (C) Working through some guilt.

(D) Walking hastily.

**For question 6**, please look at picture F. Question 6. What would someone say when they see this sign?

- (A) The Hawks need an adjustment.
- (B) The Jets need better defense.
- (C) The Hawks met their deadline.
- (D) The Jets will conquer.

**For questions 7 and 8**, please look at picture G. Question 7. Which of the following questions would the boy probably ask?

- (A) Can I look at your investments, please?
- (B) Can you look in your backpack, please?
- (C) Can I have some pocket money, please?
- (D) Can I go to an ATM, please?

**Question 8.** Which statement is true about the picture?

- (A) The mother wants the son to do some errands.
- (B) The mother and son are wearing the same fragrance.
- (C) The mother and son are dressed identically.
- (D) The mom is feeling gracious right now.

**For questions 9 and 10**, please look at picture H. Question 9. What is the woman doing?

- (A) Showing hesitation.
- (B) Hosting her child.
- (C) Identifying herself.
- (D) Holding an infant.

**Question 10.** Where is the woman?

- (A) In a mechanic's office.
- (B) In a health facility.
- (C) In a pregnancy presentation.
- (D) In a recreation center.

## 二、對答

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**Question 11:** Where can I put this dirty dishcloth?

**Question 12:** Why is this bathroom stall so big?

**Question 13:** Why are you writing so many drafts?

**Question 14:** Do you have any criticism of my performance?

**Question 15:** When do you feel the most awkward?

**Question 16:** How can I clear up your confusion?

**Question 17:** Did you go to the funeral yesterday?

**Question 18:** Is Taiwan your mother's homeland?

**Question 19:** Why are you murmuring over there?

**Question 20:** Thanks to your diligence, the project was finished early.

## 三、簡短對話

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**(M) For Question 21**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(W)** Why do you want to teach elementary school?

**(M)** I want to contribute to the well-being of our future generation.

**(W)** Doesn't that sound virtuous!

**(M)** I'm just kidding. No, I just really like being around kids. They're way more fun than mature adults!

**(W)** Question 21. Why does the man want to teach children?

**(W) For Question 22**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Time for our yearly spring cleaning for charity contributions!

**(W)** Woohoo. I'll start in my closet. Despite it being densely packed with clothes, I feel like I have nothing to wear.

**(M)** It is crammed with stuff. Put all of the unused contents in this bag.

**(W)** Sure, dad. I might need more than one bag.

**(M)** Question 22. Where does the conversation take place?

**(W) For Question 23**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** How do you get to the next level of this



game?

(W) You have to try and bounce over that metal barrier.

(M) This is so difficult! The multiple perspective option makes it harder, I think.

(W) I like it. I don't like the restriction of one view.

(M) Question 23. What are the two people talking about?

(W) For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.

(M) I want my picture to be featured prominently on the cover.

(W) I'll talk to the publisher. Anything else?

(M) Any forecasts yet of what the book sales might be in the initial week?

(W) No exact numbers, of course, but I think we're looking in the millions.

(M) Question 24. Who is the man?

(W) For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) This humidity is killing me!

(W) They did predict a possible hurricane heading this way.

(M) You know, in that case, for safety reasons, you shouldn't be home alone.

(W) Are you implying that I come to your house?

(M) I am well prepared.

(W) How's that?

(M) I have cases of water and food, including canned goods that won't go bad.

(W) I never had the impression that you were the kind of guy that planned ahead.

(M) Hey! You never know what kind of disaster is going to happen!

(W) Good to know you are well prepared.

(M) I think, actually, you should come over now. Better safe than sorry.

(W) Hold on. There's no guarantee of this hurricane. I'll call you later.

(M) Question 25. Why does the man have cases of food and water?

(W) Question 26. What was the woman's previous impression of the man?

(M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.

(W) I got your report card today. You flunked math.

(M) No lectures, mom. I know I messed up.

(W) No kidding. Say farewell to getting a motorcycle for your birthday.

(M) But, mom! I'm sorry! What if I only use it to help you run errands.

(W) You know you couldn't do that.

(M) What about if I get one with a tiny engine? One that couldn't even go on the freeway?

(W) I need some evidence that you can be responsible, first.

(M) If I get all As next semester, will that make you look more favorably upon me getting a motorcycle?

(W) That's a good start.

(M) A good start? What does that mean?

(W) It means you have to help out around the house, too.

(M) Fine. I'll start now.

(W) Question 27. Why can't the boy get a motorcycle?

(M) Question 28. What will the boy start doing at the end of the conversation?

(W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) How are you feeling?

(W) Not perfect, but not miserable anymore, either.

(M) That's an improvement, then!

(W) You have all of my gratitude, doc. That infection could have killed me!

(M) I know. You've been through a nightmare.

(W) How long did it take to break my fever? I can't recall exact details.

(M) I had to try numerous drugs before I found one that worked.

(W) Wow.

(M) And then I had to keep you under close observation for a week.

(W) Doctor, you're a legend.

(M) No, no. I have my limitations like everyone else. Here. Keep this lotion and apply it three times daily.

(W) Yes, sir. I'll follow your instructions to the letter.

(W) Question 29. Why does the woman feel grateful?

(M) Question 30. How long has the man been helping the woman?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following advertisement.

If you live in an area where volcanic eruptions or earthquakes are a realistic part of life, our disaster warning app is for you. Our assistance agency combs data and will text you right away if a disaster is forecast to affect your area. The consequences of not doing this could be fatal. Visit our site today to acquaint yourself with our other services, such as our emergency translation app. We also have a product, only NT\$100, that monitors your movements in case of an accidental fall or crash, calling 119 immediately.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following talk.

Thank you for coming to see me this morning, Lidia. An opportunity has arisen, and I'd like to discuss it with you. First, allow me to say that we have highly valued your contributions to some of our more difficult cases this past year. Your determination to succeed does not override your commitment to being thorough. This is why we'd like to ask you to be an associate partner in our commerce division. The hours are brutal, especially for the first few years in the position, but it all pays off in the end. What do you think?

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following movie review.

In this new documentary, a tribal ceremony is explored step by step, including the procedure followed and the nature of the spiritual meaning of this event. The beginning of the ceremony features men from the tribe hunting for sparrows. They spear them with sticks, with a chemical on them that puts them to sleep. These sparrows are then sacrificed at night. Overall, this is a thoughtful film on the survival of tribal traditions, in many countries, and the troublesome effect that the modern world is having on them.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following report.

The new autobiography by Nico Grace is fantastic. At times, his life story is difficult to read, as his experiences being a prisoner of war were brutal. However, when he describes his escape from the concentration camp, hiding in the cargo hold of a ship for 6 months, surviving on less than 500 calories a day, he uses language that really paints a picture for the reader. Also, as he emerges alive, coming to father 6 children, we remember to cherish every day of our own lives.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following introduction to a TV show.

This week, on the Remarkable Race, contestants must first find the most famous landmark of this city, and there they will receive their challenge. One partner will have to board a helicopter and then fly through this underpass. While under the pass, they must jump from the helicopter. There, the other partner will be waiting. After being tapped on the shoulder by their teammate, they will have to hasten to find the next clue. After inserting this clue into their computer, they continue the race.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*



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### 一、看圖辨義

**For question 1,** please look at picture A. Question

1. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) How to intensify travel.
- (B) How to read a map legend.
- (C) How to illustrate a journey.
- (D) How to describe one's homeland.

**For question 2,** please look at picture B. Question

2. Where are the people going?

- (A) A gallery.
- (B) A formation.
- (C) A hostel.
- (D) Around the globe.

**For question 3,** please look at picture C. Question

3. What is the girl doing?

- (A) Looking at a landscape.
- (B) Exposing herself.
- (C) Focusing on learning.
- (D) Having a fantasy.

**For question 4,** please look at picture D. Question

4. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) He didn't make it around the obstacle.
- (B) The operation went horribly wrong.
- (C) That pollution nearly killed him.
- (D) I can't imagine how relieved he must be.

**For question 5,** please look at picture E. Question

5. Who is the girl?

- (A) A surgeon.
- (B) A telegraph operator.
- (C) A vegetarian.

(D) A witness.

**For question 6,** please look at picture F. Question 6.

Where are the people?

- (A) On a submarine.
- (B) On a sledge.
- (C) In a satellite.
- (D) In an auditorium.

**For questions 7 and 8,** please look at picture G.

Question 7. Where is the woman?

- (A) In a bazaar.
- (B) In an academy.
- (C) In a carnival.
- (D) In a corporation.

**Question 8.** What is the woman doing?

- (A) Buying a dresser.
- (B) Shopping for fabric.
- (C) Haunting the seller.
- (D) Looking for a jug.

**For questions 9 and 10,** please look at picture H.

Question 9. What is the schedule for?

- (A) Maintenance convention.
- (B) Personnel event.
- (C) Journalism conference.
- (D) Preaching convention.

**Question 10.** How long is the conference?

- (A) 1 day.
- (B) 3 hours.
- (C) 1 month.
- (D) 2 days.

### 二、對答

**Question 11:** How does the painting look on the wall?

**Question 12:** Where did you put the vacuum?

**Question 13:** Can you come with me to yoga tonight?

**Question 14:** Why are you tiptoeing around like

that?

**Question 15:** What are you going to spend your year-end bonus on this year?

**Question 16:** You are getting so forgetful in your old age.

**Question 17:** Are you still trying to be a stand-up comedian?

**Question 18:** How can we elevate this stage?

**Question 19:** Did you see the eclipse yesterday?

**Question 20:** What was it like living in an orphanage?

### 三、簡短對話

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**(M)** For Question 21, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(W)** I'm singing in the choir tonight, in the cathedral.

**(M)** Are you nervous?

**(W)** A little. They told me a celebrity will sing with us, too. I don't know who it is, though.

**(M)** Cool! The attendance should be really good, then.

**(W)** Question 21. What is the woman doing tonight?

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**(W)** For Question 22, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** What is your favorite cuisine?

**(W)** Indian, for sure. I love spicy curry. I wish I could eat it every day.

**(M)** Me too! I could devour five bowls all by myself.

**(W)** I hope that's an exaggeration. If it's not, you would feel just dreadful later on!

**(M)** Question 22. What are the two people talking about?

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**(W)** For Question 23, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** There's a rainbow gathering tonight in Red House Square. Wanna go?

**(W)** Rainbow gathering? What's that?

**(M)** It's a time for gay people to get together in public. It encourages homosexuals to have the guts to come out.

**(W)** That's wonderful! I'd love to come.

**(M)** Question 23. Who is the rainbow gathering for?

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**(W)** For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Did you know that I'm the heir to a huge fortune? My dad owns all the fisheries in the north.

**(W)** No, I did not know that. Why are you telling me this?

**(M)** So you know if you'll go out with me, we can indulge in the best of the best.

**(W)** If you put it that way, I will definitely go out with you!

**(M)** Question 24. Why does the man tell the woman he is rich?

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**(W)** For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.

**(M)** Did you talk to the landlady yesterday?

**(W)** I did. She was a bit hostile.

**(M)** Why?

**(W)** You know why! You haven't paid the rent this month!

**(M)** Right. It's OK. I got a job this morning.

**(W)** Oh, yes? Doing what, exactly?

**(M)** Say hello to the new janitor of floors 1 through 20 in Taipei 101.

**(W)** Hey! Great! When do you start?

**(M)** Tomorrow, at dawn.

**(W)** With your janitor job, and my massage job, maybe we can afford better housing soon!

**(M)** Yeah. One where we can't hear every gust of wind through these thin walls.

**(W)** And a less grim landlady! She hates us even when we do pay the rent on time!

**(M)** Question 25. Who was hostile toward the woman?

**(W)** Question 26. Why will the couple have more

money soon?

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- (M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (W) I heard there's supposed to be a blizzard on Monday.
- (M) Yay! No school!
- (W) That's a terrible attitude!
- (M) Mom, I'm an adolescent. I'm not supposed to like school.
- (W) When I was in my adolescence, I adored going to school.
- (M) That's because you're weird.
- (W) No. I'm realistic. If you apply yourself vigorously to your studies, it will pay off in the future.
- (M) What if I want to be a warrior? Or a sculptor? Can't learn those things in high school.
- (W) You're being absurd.
- (M) Am not.
- (W) You don't like guns, or fighting, or even running, and you've always hated art.
- (M) Fine. I'll just live with you and never have to work.
- (W) Question 27. According to the boy, why doesn't he like school?
- (M) Question 28. Why does the woman think that the boy will not be a warrior?

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- (W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (M) Wow! You look terrific! Have you lost weight?
- (W) No, actually, I gained weight.
- (M) What?
- (W) Muscle weighs more than fat, you know. I joined a boxing gym.
- (M) Girls can't box.
- (W) Hey- I could cause you extensive bodily harm right now if I wanted to.
- (M) I know. I'm just kidding. You know I'm all about gender equality.
- (W) You better be. My thighs are really sore today, because yesterday we worked on tackling.

- (M) Um... boxers don't tackle each other.
- (W) No, I know. It's a new class called "Blazing Bodyguards."
- (M) Guess I'll have to be a little more cautious around you.
- (W) You better. I start a combat training class next week.
- (W) Question 29. Why has the woman's appearance changed?
- (M) Question 30. Why do the woman's legs hurt?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following talk.

OK, people. We have to get this booth set up in one hour. May I remind you that our market for this new water bottle is cyclists, and we are setting up right on the main bike commuter corridor heading into downtown. I want the cardboard cutouts of the bottle on the left side of the booth. Make sure you clean these metal ornaments until they gleam, and hang them all around the booth. They should catch the eyes of the cyclists, drawing their attention and compelling them to stop at our booth. Then, you sell the bottles.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following advertisement.

Late night out with the lads last night? Overdoing it at night, and then oversleeping in the morning? We all have those times when our alarm clock just doesn't do the trick, and we find ourselves late for school or work. No time for breakfast. But, breakfast is just what we need to make it through the rest of the day! The new pastry from Doughy Delights is the perfect meal for people who are in a rush. They taste heavenly, with just a bit of sugar to get rid of fatigue, and fiber to help us feel satisfied. Buy a box today.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following talk.

Mold is not always a bright green color. In fact, mold is not always noticeable. To the average observer, bathrooms often appear to be mold-free. However, in this humid climate, you cannot afford to be this naive. There are many varieties of mold that can cause nasty infections if breathed in. I recommend dispensing a mold-solution product at least once a week in the bathroom. You don't have to scrub, as just spraying the product on surfaces is enough to kill any mold that may be hiding there, unseen.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following report.

The newest trend in massage has hit Taiwan. The Ripple Massage, as it is known, is supposed to be the most relaxing spa treatment available. I spoke to someone knowledgeable in this area, and she said the treatment involves the clutching of certain muscles, followed by the dragging of feathers up and down the body. Although it sounds like this would cause a ticklish, uncomfortable sensation, it actually brings waves, or ripples, of calm, releasing all stress and worry.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following report.

A truck was hijacked last night on its way to Beijing. The truck was not carrying any normal freight, either. On the truck were two gorillas destined for the zoo. Although gorillas are not soon to be extinct, they are still on the endangered list, and, therefore, fetch a substantial sum on the black market. The zoo owners, of course, are frantic with worry, and police say that the thieves were no idiots, as they left no clues behind as to their identity, or the destination of the gorillas.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*



一、看圖辨義

**For question 1**, please look at picture A. Question 1. Where is the car going?

- (A) An isle.
- (B) The driveway.
- (C) A doorstep.
- (D) A guideline.

**For question 2**, please look at picture B. Question 2. Which statement is true about the picture?

- (A) There are plants on the pillars.
- (B) There are lotus flowers there.
- (C) There is jade on that wall.
- (D) The ivy is growing up the wall.

**For question 3**, please look at picture C. Question 3. What are the people doing?

- (A) Swimming around the coral reef.
- (B) Catching tuna.
- (C) Swimming in a swarm of fish.
- (D) Getting on their yacht.

**For question 4**, please look at picture D. Question 4. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) How to make bread wither.
- (B) How yeast makes bread rise.
- (C) How to thrust bread into the oven.
- (D) How food can become toxic.

**For question 5**, please look at picture E. Question 5. Who is the woman?

- (A) A statesman.
- (B) A stewardess.
- (C) A stock broker.
- (D) A sergeant.

**For question 6**, please look at picture F. Question 6.

Where is the woman?

- (A) In a yarn shop.
- (B) In a wig shop.
- (C) In a tanning salon.
- (D) In a tavern.

**For question 7 and 8**, please look at picture G.

Question 7. Which of the following statements would the man probably say?

- (A) My shirt just needs to be straightened.
- (B) Oh no. I've stained my shirt.
- (C) I think it's terminal.
- (D) How stylish this looks!

**Question 8.** What is the woman doing?

- (A) Being sloppy.
- (B) Looking slyly at the man.
- (C) Throwing away the rubbish.
- (D) Looking sternly at the man.

**For question 9 and 10**, please look at picture H.

Question 9. What is the man doing?

- (A) Taking nature pictures.
- (B) Squashing a bug.
- (C) Tucking in the bug.
- (D) Looking for his tenant.

**Question 10.** Where is the man?

- (A) On a plantation.
- (B) Next to a pyramid.
- (C) In a swamp.
- (D) In a throng.

## 二、對答

**Question 11:** Is this pimple on my forehead noticeable?

**Question 12:** Is the disease contagious?

**Question 13:** What do you need from me, besides my resume?

**Question 14:** How much vegetation would you

like in the front yard, ma'am?

**Question 15:** How do you cook stew?

**Question 16:** What kind of performer are you?

**Question 17:** What is that strange odor?

**Question 18:** Why are you moaning and groaning?

**Question 19:** Are the calves doing alright?

**Question 20:** You should delegate more in the office.

## 三、簡短對話

**(M) For Question 21**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(W)** Were you on patrol last night?

**(M)** I was. I had to drive around the outskirts of town, looking for stolen cars.

**(W)** Did you find any?

**(M)** Not a one. Just put lots of mileage on the patrol car, and ate too many snacks. Pretty lonesome night, really.

**(W)** Question 21. What did the man do last night?

**(W) For Question 22**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** How's motherhood treating you, sis?

**(W)** Well, the baby just fusses every time I put her down, so I haven't been sleeping too much. And then...

**(M)** You don't have to elaborate. I have three of my own, you know.

**(W)** I marvel at that. I don't know if I can handle just this one!

**(M)** Question 22. Why is the woman not sleeping?

**(W) For Question 23**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Are there any special precautions we should take while in New York?

**(W)** Don't carry your money in a bag, or a pocketbook. Put it in a special belt worn under your shirt.

**(M)** Wow. I didn't know it was that dangerous.

**(W)** You should also buy a pistol to carry with you.

Ha! I'm just kidding. It's totally safe, don't worry.

(M) Question 23. What are the two people talking about?

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(W) For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.

(M) Hey, Sherry, is there any outgoing mail today?

(W) I haven't been notified as such, no. Business is pretty slow right now.

(M) It does seem you're doing a fraction of the business that you were this time last year.

(W) I know. This place has so much potential. We just need different management.

(M) Question 24. According to the woman, why is business slow?

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(W) For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) Are you the organizer for the party?

(W) I am, yes. Who are you?

(M) I came to mow the lawn. I have the mower over there.

(W) Great. Are you also going to help set up?

(M) I sure am. Can you describe what you want?

(W) Sure. First, there will be a monstrous mermaid statue here. The boss loves mermaids.

(M) How big is it?

(W) Oh, about 12 feet tall. You'll have to help me move it.

(M) Um... I don't know...

(W) Then, you have to modify the screen on the stage a bit for the laser show after the meal.

(M) Laser show? I thought this was just a company dinner.

(W) It is! But it's going to the best company dinner ever!

(M) Question 25. What did the man bring?

(W) Question 26. Why does the screen have to be modified?

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(M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.

(W) What are you up to, Jim?

(M) Just looking at a little preview of the resort I booked for us.

(W) What?! Really? Where?

(M) It's a surprise. I'm only going to tell you it's on an island in the Pacific.

(W) Ooh! Tell me more!

(M) Well, it's not a touristy place. I mean, it's not publicized a lot internationally, so it should be pretty quiet.

(W) Does it have a private beach? I hate being bothered by peddlers.

(M) It does. And the town nearby is super safe. We could walk and roam as much as we'd like.

(W) Good! A bit of exercise to balance the vacation overeating.

(M) One fun thing, also, is there are rods and reels in every room, and guests can go fishing off the pier at the resort.

(W) Cool! What are the rooms like?

(M) Old, traditional architecture, but modernized inside.

(W) Question 27. Where are the two people going for vacation?

(M) Question 28. What exercise will the two people get?

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(W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) Why are you throwing rocks under the porch?

(W) There's an animal under there. I want it to go away!

(M) Well, you can't just hurl rocks like that! Why do you think there's something there?

(W) I got home around dusk yesterday, and I heard a growl and a hiss under there.

(M) You were very tired. It was nothing.

(W) No! And then, this morning, stepping out of the doorway, I heard a distinct howling sound.

(M) Just stick your arm under there and get it out.

(W) Are you crazy? And get my fingers gnawed off?

(M) I'm not doing it, either. I despise animals.



(W) We can't just leave it there. It'll die and decay and smell gross.

(M) Nasty.

(W) Just call someone, please? We need professional help here.

(W) Question 29. Why doesn't the woman want to put her arm under the porch?

(M) Question 30. Why can't the two people leave the animal under the porch?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following talk.

Welcome freshman undergraduates. Undoubtedly, you are aware of the college freshman stereotype. Not going to class. Partying late into the night. Staggering back to the dorm to stumble through the door in the morning. While that may sound thrilling to you now, I can assure you we don't allow that at this university. You must go to class and pass all tests, or you must leave the school. Scanning the textbook is not enough. You must spend many hours studying, and this is much easier to do if you are sober.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following advertisement.

Gentlemen, Valentine's Day is just around the corner. Are you contemplating how best to show your affections to your beloved? Look no further! The new Chestnut Embrace necklace from famed contemporary designer Lin Tsai is the perfect token of your love. The chain is made of braided gold and silver, with a compact diamond heart. The strong clasp will insure that your wife or girlfriend will never lose this gorgeous gift. The necklace is NT\$30,000, but having the love of good woman is priceless.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following talk.

Queen Maria IV was a very fascinating woman.

She is best known, these days, for eating her trademark strawberry tarts, which are still made at the castle today. You shouldn't believe all the stories about her, though. For example, it is a myth that she used to gorge herself on sweets, gobbling 100 tarts a day. Actually, she was a trim woman for the time. Her heroic efforts to help her subjects were sung in hymns throughout the realm when she sat the throne; hence, she is thought of as one of the most beloved imperial rulers.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following talk.

Life on the prairie is easier than in the past. In prehistoric times, people relied on their cattle to survive. These days, men can easily bring enough food with them for a week, and they don't have to rely on fire-lit torches at night to see. They, in fact, carry with them most of the modern conveniences from home. The sound of a bell is usually not a cow; rather, it is a sound heralding a text message from a loved one. I reckon prolonged absences from the ranch are still hard, but, the men will not return as ragged as before.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following talk.

Beware of a very large chimpanzee if you go out tonight, folks. Charlie the chimp bolted from the zoo this evening at approximately 5 pm, assaulting a zookeeper before bounding out of his cage. A colleague of the zookeeper says she is fine, but one side of her face is covered with bruises. The colleague suspects the chimp escaped due to boredom, and, although usually nonviolent, should nonetheless be thought of as dangerous at this time. He was last seen on Main Boulevard. Call the police if you spot him.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*

TEST  
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一、看圖辨義

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For question 1, please look at picture A. Question

1. Who is the man?

- (A) A marshal.
- (B) A prophet.
- (C) A referee.
- (D) A prospect.

For question 2, please look at picture B. Question

2. What is the boy doing?

- (A) Trying to outdo his sister.
- (B) Nagging his sister.
- (C) Mingling with his sister.
- (D) Calculating the longitude.

For question 3, please look at picture C. Question

3. What is the man doing?

- (A) Exceeding the speed limits.
- (B) Jaywalking.
- (C) Exclaiming.
- (D) Despairing.

For question 4, please look at picture D. Question

4. What topic is being discussed?

- (A) Persisting problems.
- (B) Prevailing winds.
- (C) Famous mounts.
- (D) Volcanic eruptions.

For question 5, please look at picture E. Question

5. Where are the people going?

- (A) The livestock museum.
- (B) The oriental museum.
- (C) The pilgrim museum.
- (D) The paddle museum.

For question 6, please look at picture F. Question 6. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) I've never seen a peasant like that before.
- (B) What a gorgeous peacock!
- (C) It looks very muscular.
- (D) What a beautiful procession!

For questions 7 and 8, please look at picture G.

Question 7. Which of the following questions would the man probably ask?

- (A) Did you write the framework for this?
- (B) Do you think there is a problem with the hood?
- (C) Why can't you pick up the chatter?
- (D) What do you think is causing interference?

Question 8. Which statement is true about the picture?

- (A) The man lives in a shabby apartment.
- (B) The setting is very pleasant.
- (C) The man has a limp.
- (D) The man lives in a mansion.

For questions 9 and 10, please look at picture H.

Question 9. What event is being described in the picture?

- (A) A motorcycle rally.
- (B) A desert quest.
- (C) A leisurely pastime.
- (D) Motorcycle maintenance.

Question 10. How many participants can there be?

- (A) 10.
- (B) 28.
- (C) 9.
- (D) 100.

二、對答

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(W) Question 11: Can you fix this hole in my pants?

(M) Question 12: What's that green stuff growing

on the boat?

- (W) **Question 13:** I only care about what a boy looks like.
- (M) **Question 14:** How did the performers fly across the stage like that?
- (W) **Question 15:** Did you hear that 1 out of 3 people live in poverty?
- (M) **Question 16:** Who is your opponent tonight?
- (W) **Question 17:** What is your dad doing in his workshop?
- (M) **Question 18:** Do you promise to stay with me forever?
- (W) **Question 19:** Are you studying botany this semester?
- (M) **Question 20:** Our teacher is such a tyrant.

### 三、簡短對話

- (M) **For Question 21,** you'll listen to a short conversation.
- (W) Why were you absent from yesterday's fluency class?
- (M) I'm so sorry! I tried to hail a cab for an hour, and no one would stop!
- (W) Well, it's OK, I guess. I asked the teacher for an extension on our presentation on English dialects.
- (M) Wow, thank goodness. I felt so bad! I thought you would get an F because of me!
- (W) **Question 21.** Why was the man late for class?

- (W) **For Question 22,** you'll listen to a short conversation.
- (M) What did Mrs. Chu do when you told her she inherited the estate?
- (W) First she looked at me in disbelief; then she started screaming. She was so happy.
- (M) It's not a surprise he'd want her to continue dwelling in their mansion.
- (W) Yeah. He was kind of a hermit, hated most people, but he was a devoted husband.
- (M) **Question 22.** Why was Mrs. Chu so happy?

- (W) **For Question 23,** you'll listen to a short conversation.
- (M) It's extraordinary how nice you are to everyone, even your foes.
- (W) It's not that amazing. I just endeavour to follow the old saying, "Treat others as you want to be treated."
- (M) That's from the gospels. But you're not Christian!
- (W) It's indispensable advice, though, whatever you are!
- (M) **Question 23.** Where did the old saying come from?

- (W) **For Question 24,** you'll listen to a short conversation.
- (M) Hilary, there's a bug on your head. Can I flick it off quickly?
- (W) No, be careful. I don't want you to smash my new hairdo! Just pluck it off very gently.
- (M) Geez, your hair is, like, your number one priority in life.
- (W) Hey, I have awesome hair. You're just jealous.
- (M) **Question 24.** What does the man want to do?

- (W) **For Questions 25 and 26,** you'll listen to a conversation.
- (M) To be honest, I was not a good kid during my boyhood.
- (W) Why not?
- (M) One time, I wanted to be an astronaut. I told my mom I wanted to fly off our roof. She said beforehand I would break something if I did.
- (W) And you didn't heed her warning, I take it?
- (M) No way. I broke both my legs.
- (W) Bet you never did that again.
- (M) Wrong. Another time, I decided I was a knight, with a flying dragon.
- (W) Did you wear armor?
- (M) Yes, actually. I made it out of egg cartons.
- (W) Did you break anything?
- (M) Sure did. I pretended to ride the dragon, jumping off a different roof. Higher altitude.

This time, I broke both legs and arms.

- (W) Glad you healed up alright!
- (M) Question 25. What did the man do when he wanted to be an astronaut?
- (W) Question 26. What did the man make armor out of?
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- (M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (W) Bad news about Fluffy.
- (M) Who's Fluffy?
- (W) My cat! I took her to the doctor for a checkup, and he said she's too chubby.
- (M) She is huge.
- (W) I've been in denial about it for a while, but I can see now she's too big. The doc said her diet is destructive.
- (M) Wow. Sounds serious. What do you feed her?
- (W) Chili. It's all she'll eat. I made it for her one time, and then that's all she wanted. I corrupted my cat with yummy people food.
- (M) So the doc said no more chili?
- (W) Yes. But we compromised- chili is OK once a week.
- (M) What else will you feed her?
- (W) Oatmeal.
- (M) Cat's don't eat oatmeal! Just give her cat food for Pete's sake!
- (W) Question 27. Why did the cat eat chili?
- (M) Question 28. What compromise did the woman make?
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- (W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (M) Dear, I found my favorite shoes in the rear of the closet this morning. Under your guitar.
- (W) So?
- (M) Can you please purchase a shoe rack?
- (W) What's a shoe rack?
- (M) Come on. The oblong shelf structure for putting shoes on. Don't play dumb.
- (W) I'm not wasting money on that. Just hang your shoes on the pegs I put on the wall.

- (M) They fall off!
- (W) That's not my fault!
- (M) Our closet is overflowing with shoes.
- (W) Put them in the bag I hung on the door knob.
- (M) They just rattle around whenever I open the door? I'm pleading, here. Buy a rack.
- (W) You're being very obstinate about this rack thing.
- (W) Question 29. What is the woman's opinion of a shoe rack?
- (M) Question 30. Why doesn't the man want to put his shoes in a bag?

#### 四、短文聽解

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**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following talk.

Young men, I'd like to talk to you today about your homes. If you ever want to invite a young woman to your apartment, you must not cling to the old bachelor pad stereotypes, like pictures of bosoms, dart boards. Don't only buy cactuses because you don't have to take care of them. Put some nice plants in your place! Clean up those discarded beer cans and take-out boxes! Create a clean, cozy environment that you would be proud to show a nice young lady. First, we'll talk about furniture. Now...

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following advertisement.

Are you tired of boring pajamas? Grey sweatpants and old T-shirts not enough? Do you get tangled up in dressing gowns that are too long? Well, no more! The new Sleep Cozy line from Japan promises not only a comfy night's sleep, but a stylish one. Fusing science and fashion, the lavender-scented fabric stays tight around your body at night, while the vertical stripes make you look slim for that first glance in the mirror upon waking up. Go online for a more descriptive advert and longer look at the garment, at [sleepcozy.com](http://sleepcozy.com).

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following advertisement.

A very common, and frustrating, problem among teens is having greasy hair, yet itchy dry skin under the hair. So, when they scratch their heads, white flakes fall on their shoulders. I once heard an embarrassed boy tell a girl that he merely had glitter on his shirt. A ridiculous lie. Many people have a sensitivity to normal hair products which causes this problem. Johnson and Johnson now have the perfect shampoo for you, called Dry No More. Next time you scratch your head, be secure that no flakes are going to ruin your day.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following talk.

I had a dream last night, boys. A saintly woman, glowing with light, came out of nowhere and appeared to me. I was quivering in fear, but she said, "Rejoice, coach Bill, your team will qualify for the finals. Tell your team they are braver than all others." Now, granted, this was just a dream. But, we can manifest her message into reality. Our opponents may have a better record than us. In fact, their biggest flaw is their huge ego. They are not expecting much from us tonight. Let's show them how wrong they are!

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following report.

A declaration was received at the state department that a high-level official had been taken hostage. Lest the department thought the declaration was false, a video tape accompanied it, showing the official not only being verbally tormented, but physically tortured. We are not sure at this time what kind of information the kidnappers are asking the official for, as only mumbles and mutters could be made out on the tape. In response, the president issued the warning that all kidnappers will be killed as soon as they are found.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*



### 一、看圖辨義

**For question 1**, please look at picture A. Question 1. Who is the man?

- (A) A chemist.
- (B) A chef.
- (C) A convict.
- (D) A butcher.

**For question 2**, please look at picture B. Question 2. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) How to spread fertilizer.
- (B) How to breed contempt.
- (C) How to feed silkworms.
- (D) How a cocoon is made.

**For question 3**, please look at picture C. Question 3. What is the man doing?

- (A) Crouching down.
- (B) Crossing himself.
- (C) Laying horizontal.
- (D) Acting jolly.

**For question 4**, please look at picture D. Question 4. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) Her belongings are everywhere.
- (B) She is showing how hardy she is.
- (C) She is standing on a new frontier.
- (D) She is living a life of excess.

**For question 5**, please look at picture E. Question 5. What is the girl doing?

- (A) Gluing her eyelids together.
- (B) Heightening her hair.
- (C) Putting on fake eyelashes.

(D) Erecting a monument.

**For question 6**, please look at picture F. Question 6. Where are the people?

- (A) Geographical studies class.
- (B) Juvenile hall.
- (C) Geometry class.
- (D) Marine biology lesson.

**For questions 7 and 8**, please look at picture G. Question 7. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) That's just a fad.
- (B) He needs some bleach.
- (C) He needs to clean the cellar.
- (D) There is no continuity there.

**Question 8.** Which of the following statements would the man probably say?

- (A) I smell herbs.
- (B) There's a slight scent of evergreen.
- (C) I smell incense.
- (D) That smell is foul.

**For questions 9 and 10**, please look at picture H. Question 9. Who can sign up for these classes?

- (A) Students of any level.
- (B) Only upper-level students.
- (C) Only beginner students.
- (D) Intermediate to advanced level students.

**Question 10.** How much do classes cost?

- (A) Not a lot of money.
- (B) They are free.
- (C) A lot of money.
- (D) Too much money.

## 二、對答

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**Question 11:** Oh! You startled me!

**Question 12:** Can your parents afford the tuition?

**Question 13:** Do you like the parlor?

**Question 14:** Why are you stooping down like

that?

**Question 15:** Did you hear that shriek?

**Question 16:** What kind of movie did you see last night?

**Question 17:** What is that terrible stink?

**Question 18:** Will you make a wreath for Christmas this year?

**Question 19:** Would you like to purchase anything today?

**Question 20:** Is it safe to gallop now?

## 三、簡短對話

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**(M) For Question 21**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(W)** I spoke with a journalist yesterday about the case.

**(M)** But you can't talk to the media! You're on the jury!

**(W)** He deceived me, though. He told me he was just a bellboy at the hotel.

**(M)** Oh, Sara. This is terrible. You better hope no one finds out.

**(W)** Question 21. Why did the woman talk to the journalist?

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**(W) For Question 22**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Are you going to the baseball game tonight?

**(W)** Of course. I have to. I'm the umpire.

**(M)** What? You're kidding! But, you are so... feminine.

**(W)** Don't be so stunned. Just because I have a girly exterior doesn't mean I can't play sports!

**(M)** Question 22. Why is the woman going to the baseball game?

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**(W) For Question 23**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** There's a tribute concert for the king tonight. All the country's residents should go.

**(W)** Really? That's understandable. He did reign for fifty years prior to his death.

- (M) True. That is a long time.  
 (W) We really should go.  
 (M) Question 23. Who should go to the concert?

(W) For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.

- (M) So, our tentative plans for today are, first, the museum, then a fancy lunch, then a stroll through downtown.  
 (W) Lovely. I can't wait to take in the splendor of the city.  
 (M) Me too.  
 (W) Of course, if we want, we could just scrap the plans and go shopping!  
 (M) Question 24. What are the two people talking about?

(W) For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.

- (M) What's wrong with you?  
 (W) You know that paper I wrote on the Dead Sea Scrolls?  
 (M) Yeah! You worked so hard on that!  
 (W) Yeah, and now it's lost.  
 (M) What? How?  
 (W) There was a substitute on the day I submitted it, and I think he lost my paper.  
 (M) Were any other papers lost, or just yours?  
 (W) A few other students' also.  
 (M) Your teacher must allow you turn it in later, then.  
 (W) Yes. He said it's permissible for us to turn our papers in tomorrow. But, I lost the file!  
 (M) Just write it again!  
 (W) I can't just rustle up a 30 page paper overnight, dad!  
 (M) Question 25. What happened to the girl's paper?  
 (W) Question 26. What did the girl's teacher say?

(M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.

- (W) You won't believe what just happened to me.

- (M) Oh my gosh, what?  
 (W) My purse was snatched!  
 (M) What?  
 (W) Out of my car!  
 (M) What?  
 (W) While I was in it! Yeah! So, traffic was stalled because of some construction, and, all of the sudden, a gang of teenagers descended on my car.  
 (M) Were you injured?  
 (W) No. I didn't even fight them for it. I have no backbone.  
 (M) No, that was smart. People shouldn't confront thieves like that. That's how they get hurt.  
 (W) I just sat for awhile in shock. Then I called the police. My bag was literally bulging with stuff, like books, homework, my wallet, my keys. Everything.  
 (M) I'm so sorry.  
 (W) Question 27. Who stole the woman's purse?  
 (M) Question 28. Which of the following is true about the man?

(W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.

- (M) Wow, look at that view.  
 (W) I know. We're so lucky to be able to see the coastline from our window.  
 (M) Are you hungry? Want to go get some clams or something?  
 (W) I have a confession to make.  
 (M) Uh oh. And here I was feeling so carefree and relaxed. What did you do?  
 (W) I stole some food from the continental breakfast this morning.  
 (M) Ha ha ha! That's not a crime! Lots of people take food back to their rooms.  
 (W) Oh good! I didn't know it was so commonplace. I was feeling so guilty!  
 (M) What did you take?  
 (W) Just some fruit and cheese. Just some stuff to nibble on.  
 (M) Great. We can linger here on our balcony for

awhile and snack.

(W) There's nowhere else I'd rather be.

(W) Question 29. Where does the conversation take place?

(M) Question 30. Why was the woman feeling guilty?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following report.

The best new video game, so far this year, is called Mortal Monarchy. In the game, you, the player, are a son or daughter in the royal family. Your father, the king, has been killed, and you have to find the murderer. Motivated by hate, you take no time to mourn, and start hunting the killer right away. On your journey, you save maidens and fight knights, and, in level 3, you make an oath to the queen to save the realm from war. My favorite part is the desert setting, where the player can find an oasis and get special powers.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following advertisement.

The new Shake-o-matic is so fun and easy to use, you'll wonder how you ever got along without it. Just add any fruit or vegetables you wish, and, on the computer screen, choose your preferences. You can choose the proportions of sugar, milk and vitamins. Most notable here is the Shake-o-matic can actually add extra amounts of vitamins to any combination of foods. Plus, whether you reside in a studio apartment or a house, the device is so small it can fit anywhere. Order today, and get 5 free vitamin packets.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following talk.

A new breed of bird was discovered last month in the Strait of Magellan. It is most closely related to the nightingale, and is a solitary creature, preferring to live and travel solo. It spends its

time partly in trees and partly on the water, where it finds its food. The bird likes to perch on low hanging branches, and is actually very violent, pecking at the faces of any human who approaches. Interestingly, they have a special song that, when sung, summons their children from other parts of the forest. Let's take a look at a video.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following report.

Last year, the city announced that it had plans to build a new arena downtown, in hopes of having a professional basketball team in the future. Many architects put in bids, but it was Mr. Liu that won the contract. His firm promised ample space for the 5,000 seats desired by the city. Then, three months after breaking ground on the site, Mr. Liu had to alter the plans to 3,000 seats. Now, one year later, the arena is still not finished. It came to light this morning, that, in fact, Mr. Liu got the contract by bribing city officials.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following talk.

Lee Thomkins was an astronomer in the 1800's. He was widely respected in his field, having discovered a comet that flew past the Earth every 100 years. Mr. Thomkins came up with the algebraic formula for predicting when the comet would next come past. Then, in 1887, Mr. Thomkins went an alternate route and founded the Alien Commission, because he said he saw a spacecraft land in his garden. He wanted the scientific community to broaden their search for alien life. He was promptly banned by the astronomers association.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*



TEST  
12

一、看圖辨義

For question 1, please look at picture A. Question

1. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) Jeremy's fiancé.
- (B) Jeremy's grip.
- (C) Jeremy's impulses.
- (D) Jeremy's kin.

For question 2, please look at picture B. Question

2. What is the woman doing?

- (A) Inquiring about a train.
- (B) Looking at a hi-fi.
- (C) Excelling at travel.
- (D) Mocking the train staff.

For question 3, please look at picture C. Question

3. What is the lion doing?

- (A) Penetrating the pack.
- (B) Stalking its prey.
- (C) Huffing and puffing.
- (D) Pissing in the grass.

For question 4, please look at picture D. Question

4. Who is the woman?

- (A) A lieutenant.
- (B) A migrant worker.
- (C) A patron.
- (D) A nude model.

For question 5, please look at picture E. Question

5. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) What a rascal!
- (B) What a tramp!
- (C) What a strain!

(D) What a sprint!

For question 6, please look at picture F. Question 6.

Which statement is true about the picture?

- (A) Someone found a nickel.
- (B) Someone got pinched.
- (C) Someone was struck by the plague.
- (D) Someone pricked his finger on a thorn.

For questions 7 and 8, please look at picture G.

Question 7. Who is the woman?

- (A) A playwright.
- (B) A novice.
- (C) A miser.
- (D) A mistress.

Question 8. What is on the stage?

- (A) Limes.
- (B) Milestones.
- (C) Props.
- (D) Ounces.

For questions 9 and 10, please look at picture

H. Question 9. What is being described in the picture?

- (A) A rail museum.
- (B) A mammal museum.
- (C) A lumber museum.
- (D) A locomotive museum.

Question 10. Which statement is true about the museum?

- (A) It's perilous.
- (B) It's massive.
- (C) It's a menace.
- (D) It's a refuge.

二、對答

Question 11: Does Laura live alone?

Question 12: What did the guy do after he ran over the cat?

Question 13: Which woman is your girlfriend?

- Question 14:** Where did you find that brooch?
- Question 15:** Do you have a good caretaker for your summer house?
- Question 16:** I love your new hairstyle!
- Question 17:** What kind of handicrafts do you do?
- Question 18:** Lawmakers should pass a law against people spitting on the sidewalk.
- Question 19:** How do outsiders perceive our country?
- Question 20:** Did the bandits take anything valuable?

### 三、簡短對話

- (M)** For Question 21, you'll listen to a short conversation.
- (W)** Am I allowed to just photocopy pages 3 through 30 of this book and give it to my students?
- (M)** I think that is against copyright law.
- (W)** Really? Why?
- (M)** You have to acknowledge the author by buying his or her book.
- (W)** Question 21. What does the woman want to do?
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- (W)** For Question 22, you'll listen to a short conversation.
- (M)** Are there many foreign restaurants in your area?
- (W)** Abundant good food in my area.
- (M)** I wish they were more widespread around the city. I hate driving places.
- (W)** Oh, stop your whining. You can cook for yourself, you know!
- (M)** Question 22. What does the man wish for?
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- (W)** For Question 23, you'll listen to a short conversation.
- (M)** Did you see the wharf area?
- (W)** Yeah, I even waded in a bit. What about it?
- (M)** Is there wheelchair access? I really want to take my brother to look at the boats, but he's

- handicapped.
- (W)** It does, yes. This city is very considerate that way.
- (M)** Question 23. What does the man need at the wharf?
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- (W)** For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.
- (M)** Why do you have a videotape? That's so 1980's.
- (W)** It's an old movie that I couldn't find online. A tale filled with woe and romance, from 1943.
- (M)** How did you watch it?
- (W)** I found an old VHS viewer at a garage sale. I was wary because it was so ancient, but it worked fine.
- (M)** Question 24. Why does the woman have a videotape?
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- (W)** For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (M)** What did you think of the film?
- (W)** I really liked the villain character, actually. You?
- (M)** I really hated it first, but I softened on it after 20 minutes.
- (W)** I loved how the evil guy could just whirl his cape and disappear.
- (M)** The special effects for that were pretty cool.
- (W)** Totally. The effects were really good, I thought, whereas the dialogue was very poorly written.
- (M)** It was super cheesy, wasn't it?
- (W)** The scene where the villain wrings the neck of the king before slaying the dragon was good.
- (M)** I agree.
- (W)** All in all, would you say it was a worthwhile experience?
- (M)** Hm, not really.
- (W)** I would rather spend my NT\$1,000 on some clothes!
- (M)** Question 25. What was the woman's favorite part of the movie?
- (W)** Question 26. What was the man's opinion of the film?

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- (M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (W) I'm ready. Astonish me. What did you find in your research?
- (M) Before colonial times, clan warfare was quite common.
- (W) I knew that already.
- (M) Did you know that they used cannons?
- (W) They did not.
- (M) They did! There were lots of big booms happening in the wars.
- (W) Whatever. Continue.
- (M) And there was a colonel in one of the clans that was so cowardly, even just hearing the boom would make him run away and hide.
- (W) What was his name?
- (M) Colonel Scaredy Pants.
- (W) Shut up. You are putting me on. Can you cite the source for that?
- (M) No. You're right. I didn't do any research.
- (W) Question 27. According to the man, what happened before colonial times?
- (M) Question 28. What did the man say about the colonel?

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- (W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (M) Kate, my life has really been getting me down.
- (W) I'm sorry, Sam. You know, I just heard about a special spa-hotel that might help you.
- (M) I think I need more than a massage.
- (W) No, I know. But it's a health spa and a therapy center.
- (M) It's not one of those places that makes you eat celery broth for a week, is it? Buy their salad in bulk because that's all they serve?
- (W) No, Sam. They actually serve five star meals.
- (M) Why can this place help?
- (W) They offer counseling as well.
- (M) Tell me more.
- (W) Well, the hotel was conceived as a place to heal depression, and only depression.

- (M) Not for fat people and rich ladies?
- (W) Just go check yourself in, please.
- (W) Question 29. What is true about the man?
- (M) Question 30. Why does the woman think the man should go to the hotel?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following talk.

If you want to be in show business, you have to accustom yourself to rejection. I don't know one person who has found success on the first tryout, interview, or audition. I, myself had innumerable rejections. At first, I was indignant when I was not hired. I thought that they had definitely made a mistake. Then, I got one job, and my confidence soared. However, after a little bit of confidence, the rejections induced fury in me. I sought counseling after that, and now, I do not get so angry.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following advertisement.

Are you bothered by allergies? Do doctors keep changing your medication, not seeming able to find the right one? I was bothered by allergies, too. It felt like I was allergic to everything, from milk to bees to flour. Now, you don't have to see a doctor anymore. Just buy this app and input your information, and then prick your finger. The blood is immediately computed, and the results sent to our lab. Then, in minutes, the exact medications you need are sent to your home. Use this coupon code on your screen for half off.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following advertisement.

Last year, while I was doing my crunches at the gym, I found myself wondering why I still didn't have six-pack abs. After all, I worked out every day. I even did yoga in the morning. I decided I would never do another downward-facing dog. So, I partnered with the AI firm CompuFit to create

a dazzling new personal trainer, available now on your phone! This is not just a commonplace workout application. Model Cindy Crawbanks is just one famous disciple of our program, and you will applaud it, too.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following talk.

Thank you for coming tonight, parents and undergrads. I know that many people equate dormitory life with a party lifestyle. Let me assure you, here, and Ivy Town University, this is not the case. At our residences, we employ escorts for all undergraduates, who will stay with your sons and daughters from the time they finish class to the time they return to their rooms. For the duration of the night, lest the young boys and girls try and sneak out, the guards will also be posted around the building. No trouble, here, folks.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following talk.

Today, we will learn about Henry Pool, a fiddle player from the state of Mississippi, in the U.S. Henry was no ordinary musician. He was a fiddler of distinction, having won more international competitions than anyone else. Disposing of his competition was remarkably easy for Pool, and the esteem he gained from fans, both American and European, doubled, even tripled, every year of his career. Henry Pool also composed much of his own music. His genius will live eternally through these songs.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*



一、看圖辨義

**For question 1**, please look at picture A. Question

1. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) How carbon can absorb odors.
- (B) How commodities can be traded.
- (C) How to contend with pollution.
- (D) How to make things out of foil.

**For question 2**, please look at picture B. Question

2. What is the woman doing?

- (A) Lumping everything together.
- (B) Nominating the man.
- (C) Showing the glee on her face.
- (D) Glaring at the man.

**For question 3**, please look at picture C. Question

3. Which statement is true about the man?

- (A) He is showing his restraint.
- (B) He is overwhelmed.
- (C) He's a dwarf.
- (D) He walks with a limp.

**For question 4**, please look at picture D. Question

4. Where are the people going?

- (A) To look at a rhinoceros.
- (B) To look at a republican.
- (C) To look at a robin.
- (D) To look at a sow.

**For question 5**, please look at picture E. Question

5. Who is the man?

- (A) A widower.
- (B) A sheriff.
- (C) A ward of the state.
- (D) A sovereign.

**For question 6**, please look at picture F. Question 6. What is the woman doing?

- (A) Showing her vanity.
- (B) Underlining a word.
- (C) Ticking off important points.
- (D) Giving in to temptation.

**For questions 7 and 8**, please look at picture G. Question 7. What is the man doing?

- (A) Taunting his horse.
- (B) Taking long strides.
- (C) Seeing a specialist.
- (D) Using his spurs.

**Question 8.** Which of the following statements would the man probably say?

- (A) I sympathize.
- (B) Don't be stumped.
- (C) Surge ahead, Seabiscuit.
- (D) Go ahead and squat.

**For questions 9 and 10**, please look at picture H. Question 9. Who is the woman?

- (A) A teller.
- (B) An admiral.
- (C) A trifle.
- (D) A relic.

**Question 10.** Which of the following questions would the woman probably ask?

- (A) What kind of curriculum are you following?
- (B) Did you look inward?
- (C) Should you go to the lodge for that?
- (D) Which kind of currency would you prefer?

## 二、對答

**Question 11:** Can I publish an article about why I don't like the president?

**Question 12:** Where is the list of topics covered in this book?

**Question 13:** One day, I will be the richest person

in the world.

**Question 14:** What information did you put in your profile?

**Question 15:** Why do you always have so much food in your house?

**Question 16:** Were there many fans at the game?

**Question 17:** Do you have the sniffles?

**Question 18:** Did you like that new coffee I bought?

**Question 19:** Can you send me a reminder about the reception Saturday night?

**Question 20:** What are the odds that our team will win tonight?

## 三、簡短對話

**(M) For Question 21**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(W)** How many games have you won now?

**(M)** Well, let's see, I have four aces, so that makes three games in a row.

**(W)** I'm in awe. I applaud you.

**(M)** Thank you! It's just luck, not skill.

**(W)** Question 21. What are the two people doing?

**(W) For Question 22**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Where did you get that bruise on your arm?

**(W)** I was on my way to my cello lesson, and the clasp broke on my carrying case.

**(M)** Did your cello fall you or something?

**(W)** No. My instrument fell in the canal, and then I fell in after it!

**(M)** Question 22. What happened to the woman?

**(W) For Question 23**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** I heard you are going to be the chairwoman for tomorrow's meeting.

**(W)** I am, yeah. I think a lot of our colleagues have complaints.

**(M)** Are you going to console them?

**(W)** I'm not their counselor! I'll listen and be

objective, that's all.

(M) Question 23. What will the woman do tomorrow?

(W) For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.

(M) Tamara, I just wanted to tell you this new cell phone you designed is amazing.

(W) That's nice of you to say. I thank you on behalf of my team.

(M) Really. The flashlight function is very beneficial.

(W) Tell me about it. It helped me find my keys last night.

(M) Question 24. Why does the man like the cell phone?

(W) For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) Hey, Sally. I'm so sorry about you and George.

(W) Don't be! It was actually an immense relief.

(M) What? You're happy about it?

(W) Oh, yes. I'd been wanting to break it off with him for over a year.

(M) And here I came to console you. I thought you would be drowning in despair.

(W) Did you hear how he did it? It was quite cowardly.

(M) How?

(W) He sent me text message. It was so abrupt—we'd just been out to dinner right before and had a great time.

(M) How weird!

(W) I know. But, it was for the best. This is my time to flourish.

(M) You seem quite carefree about the whole thing.

(W) Honestly, I'm very happy now.

(M) Question 25. Why did the man want to say sorry?

(W) Question 26. Why did the woman say that the text was abrupt?

(M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.

(W) Hey, Carl. Why did you ask me to come over?

(M) I need your help. I know you are an exceptional interior decorator.

(W) Finally deciding to fix up your place, huh?

(M) Yes. It just seems like the possibilities are infinite and I can't decide on what I want.

(W) The first thing is getting rid of those dreadful drapes.

(M) What's wrong them?

(W) The horizontal orange stripes are terrible.

(M) I like orange. I don't want any feminine colors, like pink or purple.

(W) How about some light blue?

(M) I could live with that.

(W) It should be better than just "living with" it. You should love the look of where you dwell.

(M) That's why I need your help.

(W) Question 27. What advice does the woman give the man?

(M) Question 28. What color does the woman suggest?

(W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) I want to do something about this bulge.

(W) You have gained a bit of weight around your middle.

(M) And I used to be a boxer! I used to be in great shape!

(W) You should come to the gym with me.

(M) I don't like circuit training. I don't feel like much of a workout.

(W) It depends on the duration of your circuits. You can make yourself feel fatigue if you want to.

(M) Fine. I'll try it.

(W) Yay! Do you want to start now?

(M) No time like the present, I suppose.

(W) Try to find a little enthusiasm, at least. Indulge me.

(M) How about this: Hooray! Going to the gym

will be heavenly!

(W) Better. Thank you. Let's go.

(W) Question 29. Which of the following is true about the man?

(M) Question 30. What does the woman want from the man?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following talk.

I'd like to congratulate you on the great ratings the network had this season. The series about the superhero with the magic shield, fighting savages on another planet, was a big hit. Of course, it was only a sensation with certain segments of the viewing audience, but a hit nonetheless. Also, the program about the rifle-toting sheriff in the old West was also a huge success. For next season, let's try and find a show with some scandal in it, though. As of now, we don't have any soap operas, and I really think we need one.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following talk.

I cannot abide needless animal cruelty. I have no problem with people hunting animals for sustenance purposes, but for fake medicinal purposes like increased sex drive? Ridiculous. That's why one of my lifelong missions is to stop the use of shark fin as an ingredient in soup. A large, majestic creature such as the shark should not die so people in China can ingest his fin. I am organizing a protest tomorrow in front of the Chinese embassy, and I expect at least a thousand people to attend. Join me at 10am, and stop this terrible practice.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following talk.

Jacob Williamson grew up on a compound in the mountains- no TV, no radio, no computers. When his parents died and he was forced into a public

school, his classmates condemned him as an oddity. However, he excelled in his academics and was given a full ride to Cambridge. In university, he studied hard, and became one of the most highly respected thinkers of our time. Now, in his role as executive at the Cambridge Foundation for the Underprivileged, his goal is to enroll the poorest schoolchildren in the most expensive schools.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following advertisement.

Studying language is tough. Especially toiling away, day after day, in a boring institute. I don't believe fluency can be achieved if one stays in one's own country. The student can become knowledgeable about the language, sure, but not fluent. Hence, I've created Institute Isle- an island devoted especially to English. Student housing is right on the beach, and the school is just a mile inland. All the residents speak English, and are there to practice with you. It's lame to stay home, studying and unhappy. Come join us!

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following talk.

Believe it or not, ladies and gentlemen, I used to have a stutter. And now look at me- up here in front of all of you, in the spotlight, giving a speech about confidence. How did I get this way? Well, when I was younger, I did not have one shred of confidence, and then I read the book *How to Reproduce Confidence*. It changed my life. Before, I couldn't utter one word in front of other people without crying. In any setting, whether at home or in class, I was the quietest one in the room. And now you can't shut me up!

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*

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一、看圖辨義

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For question 1, please look at picture A. Question

1. Which statement is true about the man?

- (A) He was trampled.
- (B) He is stout.
- (C) He is sloppy.
- (D) He is secure.

For question 2, please look at picture B. Question

2. What are the people doing?

- (A) Steering the wrong way.
- (B) Revolving around the truck.
- (C) Laying tar.
- (D) Being straightforward.

For question 3, please look at picture C. Question

3. What is the girl doing?

- (A) Holding her backpack by the straps.
- (B) Reviving herself.
- (C) Giving a smart retort.
- (D) Holding back the torrent.

For question 4, please look at picture D. Question

4. Which of the following questions would the man probably ask?

- (A) Do you want a stack?
- (B) Aren't you tempted?
- (C) Do you want some stew?
- (D) Is that a good tempo?

For question 5, please look at picture E. Question

5. Who is the man?

- (A) A rival.
- (B) A reptile.
- (C) A sergeant.

(D) A steward.

For question 6, please look at picture F. Question 6.

Where are the people?

- (A) On the top layer.
- (B) At a milestone.
- (C) In an orchard.
- (D) On a ridge.

For questions 7 and 8, please look at picture G.

Question 7. Which statement is true about the picture?

- (A) The corn is magnified.
- (B) There is a swarm of locusts.
- (C) There is a mound of insects.
- (D) There is a terrible odor.

Question 8. Where are the bugs going?

- (A) Toward the livestock.
- (B) To the landlord.
- (C) Toward an oasis.
- (D) To the pillars.

For questions 9 and 10, please look at picture H.

Question 9. Which of the following statements would the man probably say?

- (A) I popped a vein!
- (B) I was reckless!
- (C) I'm going on a quest!
- (D) I won the lottery!

Question 10. Which statement is true about the picture?

- (A) The man is looking inward.
- (B) The man's laugh sounds hearty.
- (C) The man is excited about an eel.
- (D) The man is the sole occupant in the room.

二、對答

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Question 11: How should I take care of this juice I spilled?

Question 12: Does this sentence need an auxiliary



verb?

**Question 13:** What is your role in the meeting?

**Question 14:** How can we get rid of that creaking sound on the bike?

**Question 15:** I heard the artist lived with Nicole for 30 years.

**Question 16:** What is your opinion on the house improvements?

**Question 17:** How did you break your rib?

**Question 18:** How long can you sustain this quick pace?

**Question 19:** Who did you watch in the tournament this morning?

**Question 20:** Where did that scar come from?

### 三、簡短對話

**(M)** For Question 21, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(W)** What are you looking at?

**(M)** The caretaker of my grandma's house found this old cardboard box in the attic.

**(W)** What's in it?

**(M)** Some romantic correspondence between my grandparents when they were young, and some other family documents.

**(W)** Question 21. What are the two people talking about??

**(W)** For Question 22, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** What is that noise?

**(W)** Oh, I put some bells on my shoes, so they jingle when I walk. I decorated the laces with glitter, as well.

**(M)** That's a bit juvenile, isn't it?

**(W)** Stop grumbling. You're the one playing video games until 1 in the morning.

**(M)** Question 22. What does the man think of the woman's shoes?

**(W)** For Question 23, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Was someone eating in the parlor?

**(W)** Just me, why?

**(M)** There's a lingering odor of grease. It's gross.

**(W)** Sorry. I didn't know the scent was that noticeable. I was eating a fast food burger and fries.

**(M)** Question 23. What does the man ask about?

**(W)** For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** I saw pictures in the news of the nonviolent protest. Were you there?

**(W)** I was, as an observer, though, not as a participant.

**(M)** How did they keep it peaceful? I imagine there was a lot of fury among the people there.

**(W)** There were tons of cops patrolling. They did a good job.

**(M)** Question 24. What did the woman do at the protest?

**(W)** For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.

**(M)** I tell you, this bachelor life is not easy.

**(W)** What do you mean?

**(M)** I find it hard to resist the temptation of becoming a barbarian, honestly.

**(W)** That doesn't sound good!

**(M)** I mean, for 30 years, my wife did everything—all the cooking, cleaning, everything.

**(W)** What's your point?

**(M)** My point is that it would be very easy for me to just let my living space become, well, nasty.

**(W)** Where are you living now?

**(M)** Say hello to the newest tenant of the Taipei Artists' Village.

**(W)** What? You're not an artist!

**(M)** No, but my friend is letting me rent my own apartment there.

**(W)** I heard the apartments there have lively terraces.

**(M)** Question 25. Which statement is true about

the man?

(W) Question 26. Why is the man staying in the Taipei Artists' Village?

(M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.

(W) What do you think is the biggest problem with our education system?

(M) The teacher shortage, for sure.

(W) I blame the republicans for that.

(M) You know, I don't think that's fair. Since that scandal last year with the republican senator, it's easy to blame the party for everything.

(W) True. I think that teachers need more rigid rules for getting their certificate.

(M) Why?

(W) Some of these young teachers are thrust into difficult environments and they can't deal with it, so they just quit.

(M) But who should pay for that extra training?

(W) Maybe public schools should charge tuition.

(M) Now you sound like a republican!

(W) Well, we need some sort of scheme for raising money.

(M) The whole education system needs more funds.

(W) Question 27. According to the man, why do many people blame the republicans?

(M) Question 28. According to the woman, why do some teachers quit?

(W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) My parents are sending me to wilderness camp this summer.

(W) Cool!

(M) No, not cool. I'm not going to soak in hot springs and swim in rivers.

(W) What will you have to do?

(M) Right away, they whisk us off the bus and put us in the forest.

(W) And then?

(M) We learn what the dangers are, what kind of

plants and animals to be wary of.

(W) That's interesting.

(M) Then, we turn in our sneakers, and have to go barefoot.

(W) Ouch.

(M) Finally, in the last week, we have to stalk an animal and kill it with our bare hands.

(W) That sounds savage! That's horrendous!

(W) Question 29. What is the first thing they do at wilderness camp?

(M) Question 30. What is the last thing they do at wilderness camp?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following review.

I found this vampire movie boring. In the opening scene, Ned's wife is killed by a vampire, and then Ned decides to repay the vampire by driving a stake through his heart. But, Ned is sloppy in his aim, and only gets him in the shoulder. So, instead of slaying Ned, the vampire turns him into another blood sucker. When Ned comes back from the dead, startled at his lack of heartbeat, he is solemn. He should have been furious, wanting to slaughter all vampires! But, no, he is restrained. He goes back to sleep! Two thumbs down.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following advertisement.

Getting a flat tire on your scooter is very frustrating. If you have a spare, you have to change the tire yourself. Most people don't carry a spare with them, though. Huffy Inc. recently patented a tire patch that solves the flat problem. It looks like a little oblong piece of plastic and can be carried in your wallet. Just peel off the backing paper, stick it on the hole, and a tiny plug penetrates the tire. It reverses the air flow, so air starts flowing in instead of out. When the tire is full, the plug pinches itself off and, viola, good to go!

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following talk.

Many people know the artist David DaVinci because of the dazzling nude portraits he painted, of mostly masculine subjects. Nonetheless, today we will explore another artistic side of him- his sculptures. This first one, shown behind me, is a marvel of complexity. It was not meant to be a mere ornament in some wealthy person's home. No, it is a masterpiece of engineering. How did he weave together so many separate pieces of metal? There are actually over 500,000 separate strands. If you look...

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following report.

On my way to the mountains for a vacation, I struck up a conversation with the flight attendant. She told me to be wary of the tour guides in the particular location. Boy, was she right. I tried to take a tour on my first morning, and the guide asked me for an extra \$40 for the supreme tour. I thought this was weird, so I asked him what that was. He said "supreme" meant lunch was included. Lunch was already part of the package! So, I shook my head vigorously and walked away. No one was taking me for a fool!

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following talk.

I think we all view our parents as tyrants when we are growing up. All I seemed to hear from my mom was, "Tuck in your shirt. I just cleaned the floor- tiptoe in your socks. Brush your hair. It looks tangled." But, you know, as young people, that's what we need! We don't need some vague advice, like, "Try and do better." Children can't find the meaning underneath that statement! They need specifics on how behave around others. Of course, there is such a thing as being too rigid, but we'll discuss that later. Now...

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*



### 一、看圖辨義

**For question 1**, please look at picture A. Question 1. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) One person's expertise.
- (B) Nice habitats.
- (C) Good hygiene.
- (D) Important fluids.

**For question 2**, please look at picture B. Question 2. Who is the man?

- (A) A hypocrite.
- (B) A grocer.
- (C) An intruder.
- (D) A legislator.

**For question 3**, please look at picture C. Question 3. What would someone say when they see the picture?

- (A) She made a pact.
- (B) She has a good motto.
- (C) How humiliating!
- (D) She looks exquisite.

**For question 4**, please look at picture D. Question 4. Which of the following statements would the boy probably say?

- (A) Stop being a nuisance.
- (B) You have a good pension.
- (C) You are radiant right now.
- (D) Don't listen to the propaganda.

**For question 5**, please look at picture E. Question 5. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) Purified tap water.
- (B) Peninsular outlines.

- (C) How to find petroleum.
- (D) Deep sea organisms.

**For question 6,** please look at picture F. Question 6.

What is the woman doing?

- (A) Retrieving her belongings.
- (B) Pondering an idea.
- (C) Recruiting someone to her cause.
- (D) Looking for prestige.

**For questions 7 and 8,** please look at picture G.

Question 7. What is being advertised?

- (A) Navigation courses.
- (B) Meditation lessons.
- (C) Literacy classes.
- (D) Extracurricular activities.

**Question 8.** What is the poster encouraging people to do?

- (A) Exert some effort.
- (B) Give feedback.
- (C) Feel gloomy.
- (D) Follow a hunch.

**For questions 9 and 10,** please look at picture H.

Question 9. Where are the people?

- (A) On the threshold.
- (B) In transit to a show.
- (C) A dance rehearsal.
- (D) A quiet sanctuary.

**Question 10.** Which of the following statements would the woman probably say?

- (A) That's the whole spectrum.
- (B) I already smuggled it in.
- (C) You are not punctual.
- (D) You brought in large revenue.

## 二、對答

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**Question 11:** Would you describe me as witty?

**Question 12:** What's the acceleration like on this vehicle?

**Question 13:** What happened to your arm?

**Question 14:** What is your heritage?

**Question 15:** How can we improve morale in the office?

**Question 16:** Why are you getting an injection?

**Question 17:** What was a very joyous time in your life?

**Question 18:** Are you proud of your offspring?

**Question 19:** Do you still use a PDA?

**Question 20:** What did your therapist tell you this morning?

## 三、簡短對話

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**(M) For Question 21,** you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(W)** I heard you were just traveling on a medical mission.

**(M)** I was, yes. There was an outbreak of smallpox in a small village.

**(W)** Did you catch it?

**(M)** No, but over 200 inhabitants did. They're over the illness, but still quite frail. I'm going back tomorrow.

**(W)** Question 21. Who is the man?

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**(W) For Question 22,** you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** You look so gloomy! What's up?

**(W)** I'm researching this medieval massacre in Spain. It's just depressing, that's all.

**(M)** I'm sure it is.

**(W)** The Spanish viewed themselves as pious missionaries, but they approached others with only hostility and aggression. Here, read this story about...

**(M)** Question 22. According to the woman, how did the Spanish think of themselves?

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**(W) For Question 23,** you'll listen to a man making a telephone call.

**(M)** Hi, Milly. I'm calling about the candidates to join our faculty. I haven't heard from you in a

while, and I'm beginning to fret.

(W) So sorry about that. There's just an abundance of candidates, and it's hard to choose just two.

(M) Is it feasible to have your choices made by Monday?

(W) Yes, sir. Monday.

(M) Question 23. Why did the man call the woman?

(W) For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.

(M) I need to tell you something. I have a slightly... abnormal addiction.

(W) What is it? Oh god, is it heroin?

(M) No, silly! I'm addicted to auctions! I go to at least 6 every week. Want to come?

(W) Geez, you scared me! I love auctions, too! I'll totally go.

(M) Question 24. What is the man addicted to?

(W) For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) Thank you for coming in, Wendy.

(W) What's going on?

(M) I need your advice. In essence, it's an ethical question I'm wrestling with.

(W) Sounds serious.

(M) I don't know whether or not to expel a student. He made racist statements in an essay.

(W) I see. This is a progressive school which values free speech, but racism cannot be tolerated, either.

(M) Exactly.

(W) I don't think of hate speech as falling under "free speech". It hurts others and should be prohibited.

(M) I'm so glad you said that. I agree.

(W) Expel the student.

(M) I'll introduce some preventative measures so this doesn't happen again.

(W) Some sensitivity training would be a good

idea.

(M) Question 25. How is the school described?

(W) Question 26. What does the woman think of the student's racist comments?

(M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.

(W) Hi. I'm Brenda. I'm here to interview for the administrator's position.

(M) Hi. Great.

(W) So, the position description was a bit ambiguous.

(M) It's quite straightforward, really. You would be an assessment administrator.

(W) Um, and that is?

(M) Students come in and take tests, and you just give the exams to them.

(W) What are the exams for?

(M) They assess the student's reading and writing abilities.

(W) I don't think I have training to assess writing ability.

(M) No, no. You don't grade the exams. You just hand them out and collect them. You just have to be amiable to the students. You actually have a lot of autonomy, as we don't check up on you very often.

(W) Oh! Sounds easy! When do you anticipate deciding on someone for the position?

(M) Right now. You're hired!

(W) Question 27. What does the assessment administrator do?

(M) Question 28. When does the woman find out if she's hired?

(W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) What do you have for me, Myrtle?

(W) I found a great home for you and your family, Brian.

(M) Yes? Do tell.

(W) It was built 100 years ago, and first served as accommodation for...

- (M) Please make your description more concise.  
I'm a busy man.
- (W) Right, sorry, sir. The price is very comparable to houses we've seen so far- around a million.
- (M) Continue.
- (W) I know you like unique places, and this one is a bit bizarre.
- (M) How so?
- (W) It looks bleak from the outside- very dark.  
It's painted black with grey doors. It also has a large, finished attic. It is right behind a cemetery as well.
- (M) Interesting. Compile a list of all the houses so far and send it to me.
- (W) Right away.
- (W) Question 29. Who is the woman?
- (M) Question 30. Which of the following is true about the man?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following report.

The latest documentary by filmmaker Warner Schiffer is a sad look at chronic illness in developed nations. He first looks at clinical research into high cholesterol, heart disease, and type II diabetes. He characterizes many of these patients as being lazy- unwilling to exercise and eat right. Then he presents some anecdotes of individuals who overcame their significant health problems by using a combination of drugs, exercise and diet, and, eventually, were able to stop taking their medications altogether. It opens tomorrow.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following talk to psychology students.

To a patient who has experienced trauma, your job is not merely to prescribe anti-depressants. No. It is your obligation to explore every possible avenue of therapy before that. To someone going through an ordeal of, let's say, the death of a

loved one, they may be resistant to talking about their outlook on things. They will most likely be depressed. They will probably feel very alone, preferring solitude to socializing. You must be especially persistent with these patients, or they may end up hurting themselves somehow.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following advertisement.

Let me tell you something, kitchen utensils are not trivial. When purchasing things like spoons and knives, it is no time to be thrifty. Cheap knives leave food ragged. Cheap forks and spoons can symbolize how little you respect your food and your dinner guests. Sophisticated utensils do not have to break the bank, either. Upgrade now to our stainless steel and gold kitchen set for only NT\$6,000, and you will never regret it. Order now, and get free shipping as well as NT\$1,000 in coupons for the supermarket.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following report.

A shoplifter was caught yesterday by pure luck. Nick Howard was a very shrewd criminal, having successfully knocked off over 100 jewelry stores. Today was not his day, however. Nick's first step in his robberies is to play soothing music that makes clerks and customers fall immediately asleep. Then, he snares the loot; in this case, a ruby necklace selling for over 2 million NT, retail. Today, though, he snared his jacket on a nail, the music stopped, everyone woke up, and he was quickly smacked by the shop's owner.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following report.

Everyone knows the president likes to provoke his predecessor. They are from different parties, and agree on almost nothing. The president even shunned ex-president Hong by not inviting him to the press awards dinner. Their rivalry is legendary. This morning, however, it seemed it had gone

too far, as preliminary reports came in that the presidential limo had exploded, with the president inside. It was also said that Mr. Hong was at fault. We now know that these reports were premature, and the president is safe.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*



### 一、看圖辨義

**For question 1,** please look at picture A. Question

1. Which statement is true about the woman?

- (A) She feels hospitable.
- (B) She is a freak.
- (C) She is not credible.
- (D) She looks very displeased.

**For question 2,** please look at picture B. Question

2. What is the police officer doing?

- (A) Giving the men incentive.
- (B) Intervening in a fight.
- (C) Grilling the witnesses.
- (D) Forsaking the fighters.

**For question 3,** please look at picture C. Question

3. What are the people doing?

- (A) Going on an expedition.
- (B) Searching for an illusion.
- (C) Making inferences.
- (D) Littering outside.

**For question 4,** please look at picture D. Question

4. Who is the woman?

- (A) An investigator.
- (B) An outlaw.
- (C) A safeguard.
- (D) A vendor.

**For question 5,** please look at picture E. Question

5. Where are the people?

- (A) In a suite.
- (B) In a transformation.
- (C) In a pharmacy.
- (D) In a vineyard.

For question 6, please look at picture F. Question 6.

What is the man doing?

- (A) Overturning a fine.
- (B) Buying some stationery.
- (C) Paying a toll.
- (D) Looking for a substitution.

For questions 7 and 8, please look at picture G.

Question 7. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) Municipal sanitation issues.
- (B) How to seduce elephants.
- (C) Redundant animals.
- (D) The plight of African elephants.

Question 8. Who are the people?

- (A) Poachers.
- (B) Veterinarians.
- (C) Generators.
- (D) Corpses.

For questions 9 and 10, please look at picture H.

Question 9. What is the boy doing?

- (A) Cutting the crusts off.
- (B) Embarking on a trip.
- (C) Improving his endurance.
- (D) Creating an alliance.

Question 10. Which of the following statements would the woman probably say?

- (A) You are being arrogant.
- (B) You are bombarding me with information.
- (C) You are getting crumbs all over the place.
- (D) I think we have a breakdown here.

## 二、對答

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Question 11: Do you need someone in the accounting department?

Question 12: What are the dimensions of your window?

Question 13: What do you look for in an eligible bachelor?

Question 14: Were you implicit in this wrongdoing, Nathan?

Question 15: Why do boxers wear mouthpieces?

Question 16: Why are you so careful with that glassware?

Question 17: Where do you get the most mold?

Question 18: I need something to quench my thirst.

Question 19: How can I get rid of my dandruff?

Question 20: What conservation measures have you taken?

## 三、簡短對話

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(M) For Question 21, you'll listen to a short conversation.

(W) I love the new reality show about the bankers.

(M) Did you see the episode where they drank all that champagne?

(W) Yeah! And then they rode around on beach cruisers and crashed!

(M) They are such lunatics. It's hilarious.

(W) Question 21. Who crashed on the beach cruisers?

(W) For Question 22, you'll listen to a short conversation.

(M) Lana, it's really good that you're trying to get closure.

(W) It was such a bad breakup. He manipulated me and was such a horrible person.

(M) I know. It's miraculous you were able to leave him at all.

(W) Liberation is starting to feel good. Thank you for helping me be strong.

(M) Question 22. What happened to the woman?

(W) For Question 23, you'll listen to a short conversation.

(M) I read that your professor is a nominee for a Nobel Prize.

(W) She is. She is legendary in the field of robotics. MIT gave her an honorary degree



last year.

(M) Really? For what?

(W) She created an innovative way to do surgeries with robots.

(M) Question 23. Why did the woman's professor get an honorary degree?

(W) For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.

(M) How has your asthma been?

(W) Not bad. It's just an annoyance, really, using my inhaler.

(M) I can imagine. It doesn't seem to stop you, though!

(W) Nope! I admit it's a distraction sometimes, but I still play sports and have fun!

(M) Question 24. What is a distraction for the woman?

(W) For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) Did you hear the awesome news?

(W) Uh-uh, what?

(M) You're looking at the newest contestant on the show Fear Facing!

(W) What! But, why didn't you at least confer with me before entering?

(M) Why would I?

(W) Honey, I was watching it last night. You know what the contestants had to do?

(M) I don't care. You can't dissuade me from this.

(W) They had to dual with real swords, and then the loser had hot wax drizzled on him!

(M) I find that dubious. That's too dangerous.

(W) It's true, my love! Please don't do this!

(M) OK, fine.

(W) Good. It would have been disastrous.

(M) Question 25. Why was the man excited?

(W) Question 26. How does the woman feel about the TV show?

(M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.

(W) That was utter chaos! What happened out there?

(M) I don't know!

(W) Let's think about this. So, you checked the chariot before the race, right?

(M) I did. I even fortified the strap connecting it to the horses.

(W) How did the strap snap, then?

(M) You know, I did see Lila walking around.

(W) So what?

(M) She hates us! She didn't want us to win the chariot race!

(W) Oh, her being there is just a coincidence.

(M) No, it's not. She's part of a conspiracy against us.

(W) Come on. Let's go take a closer look at our equipment and figure out what happened.

(M) It was Lila, I'm telling you.

(W) Question 27. What are the two people talking about?

(M) Question 28. What is true about the man?

(W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) Aunt Margey, do you believe in a hereafter?

(W) Of course I do!

(M) So, what do you think it is?

(W) I don't know exactly, but I've heard some cool theories.

(M) For example?

(W) An aboriginal idea I came across says that you are born again, in accordance with your actions of this life.

(M) What does that mean?

(W) It means that you are accountable for your good and bad deeds. If you are bad, you will be born into a terrible life.

(M) Oh my goodness!

(W) There are many variations on the idea, but most cultures say that you have to be a good person or you'll be punished accordingly.

(M) I'm not going to do anything bad whatsoever.

(W) Good idea!

(W) Question 29. What did the aboriginals believe?

(M) Question 30. Why will the boy be well-behaved?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following voicemail message.

Hi, this is Mrs. Foster. I bought a new desk from you this morning, and I want a refund. I tried following the instructions to the letter, but I think they are wrong. The first phase was no problem—I used the silicon glue provided to attach the legs to the top part. Then, I tried for over 3 hours to put the drawers together properly, but the instructions did not specify which slot to put the boards in. I honestly didn't realize the scope of this project until trying to do this all myself. I'm going to bring all the pieces in tomorrow.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following advertisement.

For a limited time only, you can buy this gorgeous 15 carat diamond necklace, which is an exact replica of the one owned by the First Lady. If you look closely, you can even see the tiny defect right in the middle, making the exquisite diamond look like it has a heart in the center. This necklace will not just be an accessory for its owner, but will serve as the centerpiece to any outfit. Only the most elite women own such a piece, and all who see it will covet this dazzling jewel. Call in the next 5 minutes and get matching earrings.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following talk.

Today we'll talk about the recent innovations in the field of genetically modified food. We all know that mangoes are a tropical fruit, and so are not available worldwide. Thus, they are considered an exotic flavor by many in Europe and North America. A year ago, our scientists were emphatic

that they could make a guava that could grow in colder weather. Last month, I tried one of these new fruits, afraid of the flavor being ruined. It was not only edible, it was pure ecstasy! Even better than the authentic guava flavor.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following report.

A group of hackers implemented an ingenious plan last night. It wasn't to steal identities, or money, or information of any kind. It was merely to cause irritation to anyone who spends too long on social media sites, inclusive of Facebook and Twitter. If a user is on one of the sites for more than 10 minutes, pictures start popping up, like kids playing outside, hikers looking at a waterfall and people having a picnic. No one knows how the installation of these pictures was carried out, and, as of now, no one can take them off.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following advertisement.

A good night's sleep is invaluable. This can be endangered by not getting enough exercise, or enjoying too much unhealthy food. Likewise, poor quality mattresses are also notorious for stealing away one's rest. The modernization of sleep is here, ladies and gentlemen. The Mattress Warehouse, on the corner of 5th Avenue and Main Street, has all of its newest merchandise on sale for this weekend only. Experience what remote-controlled sleeping is like. Now, you can finally get the rest you deserve.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*

TEST  
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一、看圖辨義

**For question 1**, please look at picture A. Question 1. What are the people doing?

- (A) Rafting.
- (B) Poaching.
- (C) Nurturing.
- (D) Exploiting.

**For question 2**, please look at picture B. Question 2. Where is the man going?

- (A) A metaphor.
- (B) An intersection.
- (C) Another galaxy.
- (D) Parliament.

**For question 3**, please look at picture C. Question 3. Who is the man?

- (A) An advocate.
- (B) An aborigine.
- (C) A miller.
- (D) An abbreviation.

**For question 4**, please look at picture D. Question 4. Which statement is true about the woman?

- (A) She is a delinquent.
- (B) She is affectionate.
- (C) She likes wide coverage.
- (D) She has conceit.

**For question 5**, please look at picture E. Question 5. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) That's a pretty bad collision.
- (B) Someone is being cordial.
- (C) That's a bad diagnosis.

(D) There is no equivalent.

**For question 6**, please look at picture F. Question 6. Which statement is true about the picture?

- (A) The building is shaped like a dome.
- (B) The building is crooked.
- (C) The building is made of canvas.
- (D) The building is made of lava.

**For questions 7 and 8**, please look at picture G. Question 7. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) There is a famine.
- (B) I think it will expire.
- (C) That man must be hospitalized.
- (D) That man looks mellow.

**Question 8.** What is the woman doing?

- (A) Going to her execution.
- (B) Putting out a flare.
- (C) Liberating herself.
- (D) Helping the man migrate.

**For questions 9 and 10**, please look at picture H. Question 9. Who is the woman?

- (A) An oppressor.
- (B) The court prosecutor.
- (C) The recipient of a trophy.
- (D) The leader of the rebellion.

**Question 10.** Which statement is true about the woman?

- (A) She has an ulcer.
- (B) She is on the verge of tears.
- (C) She looks tranquil.
- (D) She is in suspense.

二、對答

**Question 11:** Is there a special flavor in this beverage?

**Question 12:** What do you like about this building?

- Question 13:** Why did you take such a small serving of chips?
- Question 14:** Did you like the third installment of the documentary program?
- Question 15:** Are there any hazards in merging with the other company?
- Question 16:** How can we ensure solidarity on this issue?
- Question 17:** How did you persevere in losing so much weight last year?
- Question 18:** How can we try and boost our signal?
- Question 19:** Will you be going to the burial tomorrow?
- Question 20:** Do you believe you will reach enlightenment?

### 三、簡短對話

- (M)** For Question 21, you'll listen to a short conversation.
- (W)** It's now a certainty. I have very poor eyesight.
- (M)** Do you have to get glasses?
- (W)** Yes. I'm so mad. They are going to mar my appearance.
- (M)** No, no. The right frames can really add glamour to your look.
- (W)** Question 21. How does the woman feel about eyeglasses?
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- (W)** For Question 22, you'll listen to a short conversation.
- (M)** Last night was awful. We staged an intervention on my friend Wes.
- (W)** That's terrible. What was he addicted to?
- (M)** Pain medication. He works in a nursing home and would sneak out pills in the liner of his jacket.
- (W)** Stealing other people's prescriptions! Outrageous.
- (M)** Question 22. What are the two people talking about?

- (W)** For Question 23, you'll listen to a short conversation?
- (M)** I'm going to hear a renowned concert pianist tonight named Hue Showalter.
- (W)** I've heard of him! He's mute, right?
- (M)** Yes. He expresses himself through music. He's going to play songs spanning his 40 year career.
- (W)** Can I come?
- (M)** Question 23. Which of the following is true about the man?

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- (W)** For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.
- (M)** Welcome Maui Helicopter Tours. How may I help you?
- (W)** Is it safe?
- (M)** Very safe. We check the propellers every morning. Just hold on and soar above the clouds.
- (W)** Can I rehearse before we actually fly? I'm so scared. I want a practice run first.
- (M)** Question 24. Where does the conversation take place?

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- (W)** For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (M)** I'm really excited about our new business!
- (W)** Me too. We should figure out what kind of overhead we'll have, though.
- (M)** Right. So, our business is organizing scenic outings to the hot springs.
- (W)** For foreigners. They pay more.
- (M)** Yes. What kind expenses will we have?
- (W)** We're not renting an office, so that's a big savings.
- (M)** True. I can advertise online, on selective sites, of course.
- (W)** High-end travel sites.
- (M)** Exactly. Should we hire a professional photographer?
- (W)** I think we should. Someone with photographic expertise of the outdoors.

- (M) We need to buy a van, too. And paint it with our logo.
- (W) That's our first big expense.
- (M) Question 25. What are the two people talking about?
- (W) Question 26. Where will they advertise?
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- (M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (W) The great skies beckon!
- (M) What are you talking about Pam?
- (W) Willy, I am going to be a flight attendant. And you, my friend, will help facilitate that.
- (M) How?
- (W) You are a writing teacher. Help me with my resume.
- (M) Sure. So, what applicable skills do you have?
- (W) I was a waitress for 3 years in college.
- (M) Great! Do you speak any other languages?
- (W) Chinese and English. Hey- should I put my picture on there?
- (M) It's optional. I think in this case, yes.
- (W) With your help, Willy, opportunities will abound!
- (M) I sincerely hope you attain your wish, my friend.
- (W) Question 27. What are the two people doing?
- (M) Question 28. What applicable experience does the woman have?
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- (W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (M) Why did you ask me to come over?
- (W) I need help moving. Just some furniture and plates and stuff.
- (M) You seem to be under the assumption that I am a good person for lifting and carrying.
- (W) Did I make a blunder? I mean, look at you! You're a brute!
- (M) That's not nice! I'm bulky, that's all.
- (W) What's your point?
- (M) I, um, have a deficiency when it comes to coordination.

- (W) What does that mean?
- (M) It means I break stuff all the time.
- (W) Really? You're very clumsy?
- (M) Extremely. I just get distracted so easily and drop things all the time. Remember that cruise I went on? I almost fell overboard three times! It was almost a deadly holiday!
- (W) Oh, geez. Well, in that case, just forget it.
- (W) Question 29. Why does the woman want the man to help her move?
- (M) Question 30. Why does the man not want to help the woman move?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following talk.

People follow various doctrines in their lives, and, today, I'm going to give you one more. It's not drastic and it's not religious. It's about enhancing your life in ways that make you feel fulfilled, and ensures that you will not feel regretful when reaching your golden years. It can be summed up in one word: diversity. Meet new people, see new places, and try new things. There are no rules about how to do this. The only imperatives are that you are curious, unafraid, and only try things that better your or another's life.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following advertisement.

When people clean their faces at night, many choose expensive products that promise younger looking skin, or less acne. Many of these products actually cause your skin to deteriorate, drying it out, causing more acne and wrinkles. Cosmetics are another complication, because many facial soaps do not get all of the make-up off. Dr. Yang now has the solution: Dr. Yang's Fabulous Face cleanser is perfect for any age, any skin type, and is all- natural. The consensus is in: Fabulous Face makes you look fabulous.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following report.

New problems in the southern hemisphere tonight, as militant guerillas have captured the capital of this small Latin American country. They have been fighting aggressively to gain control for over three months now, and, tonight, the gunfire has finally stopped. In an interview earlier, the leader of the guerillas spoke with indignation, saying that this land was theirs, and their cause was inherently good. He is tired of the harassment of the government, and he wants his people to get the same chances as everyone else.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following advertisement.

We all love coffee. There's a cafe on every corner, these days. However, coffee isn't exactly the healthiest refreshment. It makes people thirstier, gives them headaches, and makes them crash in a couple of hours. Scientists have fixed those problems. They have managed to extract all the flavor of the coffee bean, so the taste is exactly the same, and, most importantly, the familiarity of energy is still present; however, none of the negative side effects occur. This is exclusively available at 7-11, starting Friday.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following talk.

There's a certain morality in restoration-preserving history, making neighborhoods beautiful for people to live in. And, they don't just have to be residences. This home, for example is an event space. People have period parties here, celebrating the Victorian age. A costume shop nearby provides specialty gowns and suits which are spectacular. They even come with a few shillings in the pockets! There can be negotiation about the rental fee, according to event, depending on number of guests.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*



一、看圖辨義

**For question 1**, please look at picture A. Question 1. Which topic is being discussed?

- (A) Villas rentals.
- (B) Unemployment.
- (C) Textile factories.
- (D) Urban sprawl.

**For question 2**, please look at picture B. Question 2. Where is the woman going?

- (A) Provincial areas.
- (B) Renaissance festival.
- (C) Radiator repairman.
- (D) A thrift shop.

**For question 3**, please look at picture C. Question 3. What is true about the girl?

- (A) She shows originality.
- (B) She has pierced ears.
- (C) She is an outrage.
- (D) She glistens.

**For question 4**, please look at picture D. Question 4. What is the boy doing?

- (A) Having a bout of illness.
- (B) Asserting himself.
- (C) Getting an injection.
- (D) Having his arteries looked at.

**For question 5**, please look at picture E. Question 5. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) It's accumulating quickly.
- (B) That looks animating.
- (C) There's a boycott happening.

(D) That looks enriching.

**For question 6**, please look at picture F. Question 6.

Where is the man going?

- (A) A commitment ceremony.
- (B) A mission of diplomacy.
- (C) A dental appointment.
- (D) To check the diameter.

**For questions 7 and 8**, please look at picture G.

Question 7. What is being advertised?

- (A) Inevitable conclusions.
- (B) Graphic design workshop.
- (C) Classes in legislature.
- (D) Literacy lessons.

**Question 8.** How long is the class?

- (A) Seven hours.
- (B) Eight days.
- (C) One week.
- (D) The month of May.

**For questions 9 and 10**, please look at picture H.

Question 9. Which of the following statements would the woman probably say?

- (A) You are civilized.
- (B) I don't think we're compatible.
- (C) I'm a deputy.
- (D) I like this material.

**Question 10.** Who is the man?

- (A) A narrator.
- (B) An intruder.
- (C) A donor.
- (D) A naturalist.

## 二、對答

**Question 11:** Is there an epidemic going around the school?

**Question 12:** Can you dispatch a security team here immediately, please?

**Question 13:** Am I imposing by staying at your

house tonight?

**Question 14:** What sort of behavior do you find irritating?

**Question 15:** What is the biggest drawback to urban living?

**Question 16:** Which website do you utilize most in your job?

**Question 17:** Have you given any thought to which vocation you will choose?

**Question 18:** Was the decision unanimous?

**Question 19:** Why do you look so melancholy today?

**Question 20:** Where did that rash on your hands come from?

## 三、簡短對話

**(M)** For Question 21, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(W)** Are the problems with my bones accelerating?

**(M)** Unfortunately, yes. But, don't worry. They're not on the brink of breaking.

**(W)** How can you turn this decline around?

**(M)** We'll put you on a calcium supplement.

**(W)** Question 21. Who is the man?

**(W)** For Question 22, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Did you subscribe to that travel magazine?

**(W)** I did. My new dream is to take a steamer around the world.

**(M)** A steamer? Like a steamship?

**(W)** Yes. I can only withstand this boring suburban life for so long!

**(M)** Question 22. What is true about the woman?

**(W)** For Question 23, you'll listen to a telephone conversation.

**(M)** How is work going?

**(W)** Great. We had to administer tuberculosis tests to all the new pupils yesterday.

**(M)** How many new students do you have?

- (W) We have 200 new people entering our vocational training courses this year.  
(M) Question 23. Where does the woman work?
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- (W) For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.  
(M) Wow. You keep your home so orderly.  
(W) It's symbolic of my upbringing. My mom always had the house spick and span.  
(M) My mom did, too.  
(W) Guess you don't uphold the same values as I do. You're very messy.  
(M) Question 24. Why is the woman's home very clean?
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- (W) For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.  
(M) Your latest article in the magazine was profound.  
(W) I'm glad you like it.  
(M) I think it could propel you onto bigger things.  
(W) Like a feature?  
(M) You got it! I'd like you to write the feature this month.  
(W) Fantastic!  
(M) Your proficiency with the written word has really become obvious in your last few pieces.  
(W) I knew my perseverance would pay off!  
(M) I know you've worked very hard to get here.  
(W) So what's the feature on?  
(M) Write about how, regardless of increased funding in education, test scores have decreased.  
(W) On it, chief.  
(M) Question 25. Who is the woman?  
(W) Question 26. What does the man admire in the woman?
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- (M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.  
(W) You support the socialist party, correct?  
(M) I do, yes.  
(W) Since they are not in power, does that make you less patriotic?

- (M) Just because I support the opposition, and not the current government, doesn't lessen my love for our country.  
(W) What, in your view, is the most relevant issue right now?  
(M) The repression of the working class.  
(W) How so?  
(M) The minimum wage is an outright shame.  
(W) You don't think it's high enough?  
(M) No way. No one could support a family on that salary.  
(W) What do you think it should be?  
(M) Enough to put a family of three above the poverty line.  
(W) Question 27. How does the man feel about the current government?  
(M) Question 28. Which issue is the most important to the man?
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- (W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.  
(M) You have such amazing posture, ma'am.  
(W) Thank you. I used to be a ballerina.  
(M) No way! You haven't always had a career in bureaucracy?  
(W) Like so many little girls, I dreamed of dancing in a premier ballet company one day.  
(M) So, why didn't you?  
(W) Turns out I was prone to injuries. My last one was an over-rotated ankle.  
(M) That sounds horrifically painful!  
(W) It was. I had to think of more rational career goals after that.  
(M) Like senator?  
(W) Yes, like senator! I went to law school, and here I am.  
(M) The country is lucky to have you, ma'am.  
(W) Thank you. Now, let's get on with our work.  
(W) Question 29. Why did the woman's dance career end?  
(M) Question 30. What did the woman do after her ballet career?



## 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following talk.

Men, you are here because you feel you are not successful at wooing the ladies. This is a common problem. The biggest turn off is when a man is too enthusiastic in his attempts. I'll tell you, that twentieth voicemail really makes a girl want to strangle someone! You have to be more strategic, and more subtle. Plan your interactions better. You can even write down what you want to say before you meet someone, so you're sure not to sound too desperate. We'll practice these interactions in subsequent sessions.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following advertisement.

The new Be a Rock Star 6.0 is ushering in a new era of musical video games. Now, for the first time, you can actually feel what it's like to be on stage, with a professional band behind you, including drums, guitar, bass and keyboard. You can choose what type of music, even what songs, you want to sing. Simply slip on our virtual goggles and gloves, grab the mic, and let your vocals roar. I think everyone secretly yearns to be a rock star, and, now, they can be. Available this Christmas at all toy outlets.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following report.

Mr. Lu of Taichung showed how to be truly valiant yesterday, as he stood up against a dangerous intruder. The criminal in question trespassed on Mr. Lu's property in the afternoon, and started stealing fruit from the garden. Mr. Lu asked him to leave and threatened to call the cops. The intruder did leave, warning that he would return with a weapon. Around twilight, the terrible man did return, holding a knife in his hand. Mr. Lu, a Tae Kwon Do master, had the criminal on the ground in less than a minute, showing his superiority.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following talk.

My trek up Mount Everest was the most difficult, and triumphant, events of my life. I honestly didn't think it would be as hard as it was, because I was in good shape. I ran marathons, even. I greatly underestimated the task ahead of me. About halfway up the mountain, my body was so weak that my balance started to give way. I tripped over a rock and sprained my ankle. Although I stabilized it with a splint, it was throbbing so badly I cried. Still, I did not give up. I made it to the top, and planted a flag for Taiwan.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following advertisement.

Do you find other people tedious? Do you sometimes yell at them for no reason, your gloomy temperament spontaneously getting the better of you? These are symptoms of anger disorder, a common problem in our busy, solitary world. The new Calm-eze medication is your salvation, my friends. I was skeptical, as you may be now, that one little pill could stop my moods from spiralling into darkness. But, I tried it, and found the miracle I'd been searching for, thereby making my life, and my family's, peaceful again.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*

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一、看圖辨義

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For question 1, please look at picture A. Question

1. What is the woman doing?

- (A) Looking for stimulation.
- (B) Unpacking her suitcase.
- (C) Protecting against theft.
- (D) Unlocking her belongings.

For question 2, please look at picture B. What is the man doing?

- (A) Looking for his sponsor.
- (B) Cleaning up some urine.
- (C) Using a wrench.
- (D) Looking for a tumor.

For question 3, please look at picture C. Question

3. Where are the people going?

- (A) A theatrical performance.
- (B) A siege.
- (C) A radiation treatment.
- (D) An outlet mall.

For question 4, please look at picture D. Question

4. Who is the woman?

- (A) A precedent.
- (B) A pharmacist.
- (C) A pedestrian.
- (D) A flicker.

For question 5, please look at picture E. Question

5. Who is the man?

- (A) A collector.
- (B) A humanitarian.
- (C) A linguist.

(D) An anchorman.

For question 6, please look at picture F. Question 6. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) The man is making his descent.
- (B) The man is in some discomfort.
- (C) The man is conceding defeat.
- (D) The man must be a clone.

For questions 7 and 8, please look at picture G.

Question 7. What does the man want to be?

- (A) A congressman.
- (B) An abstraction.
- (C) A mouthpiece.
- (D) An alcoholic.

Question 8. What is the man doing?

- (A) Affirming people's beliefs.
- (B) Articulating the facts.
- (C) Meeting his constituents.
- (D) Avoiding an eruption.

For questions 9 and 10, please look at picture H.

Question 9. What is the woman doing?

- (A) Trying to understand irony.
- (B) Figuring out an equation.
- (C) Looking for an alternative.
- (D) Looking through binoculars.

Question 10. What would someone say when they see the scene?

- (A) I think she wants to contradict that man.
- (B) It looks like she wants to assassinate someone.
- (C) I think she is a dispensable person.
- (D) She should be careful of eroding the ground.

二、對答

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Question 11: Why do you want to emigrate?

Question 12: I think we will terminate your contract at the end of the year.

Question 13: I saw someone prowling around in

the bushes.

**Question 14:** What disciplinary action do you recommend?

**Question 15:** How can I gain more credibility as a gossip columnist?

**Question 16:** Why are you riding in a limousine?

**Question 17:** How can we add clarity to these pictures?

**Question 18:** Do you and your boyfriend show affection in public?

**Question 19:** Your shirt is disgraceful. Cover up.

**Question 20:** How can we minimize the number of people inhabiting our land?

### 三、簡短對話

**(M)** For Question 21, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(W)** Did you see my story on the news?

**(M)** It wasn't a story. It was an editorial. You basically denounced the new legislation.

**(W)** Everything I said was a fact.

**(M)** Not exactly. It was distorted truth.

**(W)** Question 21. What are the two people talking about?

**(W)** For Question 22, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** I've been studying you, Grandma. I'm trying to figure out the secret to your longevity.

**(W)** What have you inferred so far?

**(M)** It seems like you just eat what you want and make lots of jokes.

**(W)** Mimic that, grandson, and you'll get rid of the biggest killer: stress.

**(M)** Question 22. What is true about the woman?

**(W)** For Question 23, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** I'm feeling mischievous. Let's play a trick on Mom.

**(W)** Fun! What should we do?

**(M)** It's sunny out, right? So, I'll tell her my weather

prediction is hail, and, simultaneously, you make it look like hail on the window.

**(W)** I'll get the ice!

**(M)** Question 23. What does the boy want to do?

**(W)** For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Did you see the new exhibit at the modern art museum on slavery?

**(W)** Yes! Oh, my gosh. It was incredible.

**(M)** Those slashes in the canvas made me feel so heavy, doomed, almost.

**(W)** I guess that's the point of realism.

**(M)** Question 24. What are the two people talking about?

**(W)** For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.

**(M)** Why do you approach exams with such zeal, Mary?

**(W)** Because my intellect is superior to that of most people.

**(M)** Have you been tested or something?

**(W)** Yes. According to my IQ score, I'm a genius.

**(M)** You know you can't trust the validity of those tests, right?

**(W)** They're perfectly valid!

**(M)** Well, it sure is ironic that even Einstein wouldn't have scored highly.

**(W)** What are you talking about?

**(M)** Einstein scored very badly in all non-science-related subjects.

**(W)** Whatever. I have good grades in everything. Guess I'm smarter than Einstein.

**(M)** Ugh! You are going to make me vomit!

**(W)** You sounded very stupid, saying that.

**(M)** Question 25. What is true about the woman?

**(W)** Question 26. What does the man believe about Einstein?

**(M)** For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.

**(W)** The consultation meeting this morning was a

disaster.

- (M) Why?
- (W) I'm so absentminded lately. I forgot the consultant's name! All these new administrative tasks are killing me!
- (M) If it's any consolation, I forgot today was Friday.
- (W) I do that sometimes, too.
- (M) Let's go online and look up "memory strengthening".
- (W) OK, just a sec, OK. Here, it says to make a list.
- (M) That's just common sense.
- (W) Do you do that?
- (M) Um, no. I don't have time.
- (W) I don't make lists either. I think we should start.
- (M) Good. Acquisition of another responsibility. Now I have to remember to write things down!
- (W) Question 27. What do both people forget sometimes?
- (M) Question 28. Who is going to start making lists?
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- (W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.
- (M) Hey, J.T., what are you doing?
- (W) I'm turning 16 tomorrow, and I'm going to commemorate the event by burying a time capsule.
- (M) Cool!
- (W) The only dilemma is what to put in.
- (M) They're usually comprised of things representing the year in which they are buried.
- (W) So, any suggestions?
- (M) Put in a USB with movies, news articles, and your personal pictures.
- (W) Good! That's exactly what I'll do.
- (M) Choose carefully, because once you close that clamp, these memories are in captivity for... how long?
- (W) 50 years, I think.

- (M) That sounds good. Hey, J.T., what does J.T. stand for?
- (W) Oh. My real name is Justina Tomalina. I don't like it so I abbreviate it.
- (W) Question 29. What is in a time capsule?
- (M) Question 30. What will happen in fifty years?

#### 四、短文聽解

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**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following voicemail.

Hi, Mr. Johnson. I just wanted to follow up on today's interview by assuring you, once again, that I am the right woman for the job of being your personal assistant. My former employer can certify that I am very competent at organizing busy schedules, and I have the capability to work long hours. Plus, I am very discreet, so all of your secrets will be safe. I don't know if you know this, but both my parents were personal assistants to celebrities, so, I'm genetically destined for the position. Hope to hear from you soon, thank you.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following report.

We have some new information about the hacking scandal, illuminating the motivation behind the crime. The hack was initiated in North Korea, and successfully broke into all government systems in China and South Korea. It appears that the goal was not to steal state secrets, but to gain access to personal information on the most powerful people. The North Koreans hoped to blackmail leaders, luring them into trade agreements that would bring in billions. A shockingly deceptive mentality, finally revealed.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following advertisement.

My name is Sally Flowers, and I'm a lawyer. Right now, I am building a case against telemarketers, who are forever causing disturbances in innocent lives. Their business is a disgrace, and it helps no

one except the owners of big, already successful companies. I am not going to try for convictions of individual people, the telemarketers themselves. Rather, I'm going to file a law suit against the largest employers of telemarketers, asking for compensation in the billions of dollars. Join me now, and get compensated as well.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following talk.

There has long been controversy surrounding the consumption of GMO foods. No concrete negative effects have been found, yet, but I believe that excessive consumption of GMO foods will have a cumulative effect on our bodies, perhaps altering our own genes. The fact is that we do not know what happens, and we have the right to know, before, perhaps causing harm to ourselves. I would like to call for a study of the largest magnitude into GMO foods and their long-term effects on human bodies.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following report.

A mournful scene was witnessed today at the funeral of Betty Cloud, a very talented artist in the obscure field of miniature doll houses. Betty never became a household name by any means, but, in some circles, her work was of the utmost importance. In fact, some of her creations, such as a replica castle of Notre Dame, were given as offerings to princesses by foreign heads of state on diplomatic missions. Some of her work is on exhibit now. One favorite is a picturesque miniature of Sun Yet Sen Memorial Hall.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*



### 一、看圖辨義

**For question 1**, please look at picture A. Question

1. What is the boy doing?
- (A) Committing the rock to memory.
  - (B) Flinging a rock.
  - (C) Fluttering away with the rock.
  - (D) Obliging a friend.

**For question 2**, please look at picture B. Question

2. What is the woman doing?
- (A) Looking for nutrients.
  - (B) Being pathetic.
  - (C) Showing hospitality.
  - (D) Giving a seminar.

**For question 3**, please look at picture C. Question

3. Which statement is true about the man?
- (A) He is getting some rhythmic training.
  - (B) He is reconciling with another person.
  - (C) He is showing restraint.
  - (D) He wants serenity.

**For question 4**, please look at picture D. Question

4. What would someone say when they see the scene?
- (A) The man stammers.
  - (B) The man is reflective.
  - (C) The man is sociable.
  - (D) The man is skimming the surface.

**For question 5**, please look at picture E. Question

5. Which statement is true about the picture?
- (A) The dog is vicious.
  - (B) The dog sheds a lot.
  - (C) The dog is toppling over.

(D) The dog is subjective.

**For question 6**, please look at picture F. Question 6. Which statement is true about the picture?

- (A) The curtains overlap.
- (B) The curtains radiate.
- (C) The curtains are reinforced.
- (D) The curtains are sheer.

**For questions 7 and 8**, please look at picture G. Question 7. What is the woman doing?

- (A) Using a stapler.
- (B) Raiding the office.
- (C) Giving a recommendation.
- (D) Peddling her wares.

**Question 8.** Which of the following questions would the man probably ask?

- (A) Why aren't those transcripts ready yet?
- (B) Why are you being petty?
- (C) Where did those originate?
- (D) What is this ritual about?

**For questions 9 and 10**, please look at picture H. Question 9. What is the man doing?

- (A) Showing piety.
- (B) Preparing a starch.
- (C) Preparing to narrate.
- (D) Giving an excerpt.

**Question 10.** What is the woman doing?

- (A) Removing the stalks.
- (B) Dispersing the problems.
- (C) Disproving a contradiction.
- (D) Removing a cavity.

## 二、對答

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**Question 11:** You're not being very forthcoming.

**Question 12:** Why do you want to live in a metropolitan area?

**Question 13:** What are you studying in sociology right now?

**Question 14:** Did you hear the sonic boom this morning?

**Question 15:** What triggers the earthquake sensors?

**Question 16:** Do aviation experts have to be good at math?

**Question 17:** Which criterion is the most important for being a dictator?

**Question 18:** Do you like your new LCD monitor?

**Question 19:** Why do you think your new brother-in-law is a crook?

**Question 20:** Stop undermining my authority!

## 三、簡短對話

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**(M) For Question 21**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(W)** Quite an undertaking, going to the moon.

**(M)** Any advice from an old pro?

**(W)** Before you go, visualize yourself floating throughout the spacecraft. It makes zero gravity less scary.

**(M)** I'll try.

**(W)** Question 21 . Who is the woman?

**(W) For Question 22**, you'll listen to a man making a telephone call.

**(M)** Hi, I was wondering if the theater is accessible to people with physical disabilities.

**(W)** It is, yes. We have ramps in the front and back, as well as an elevator.

**(M)** Wow. You are very accommodating.

**(W)** Yes, sir.

**(M)** Question 22. Why did the man call the woman?

**(W) For Question 23**, you'll listen to a short conversation.

**(M)** Why do you look so upset?

**(W)** I have to write three sentences for homework.

**(M)** I would not deem that difficult. What's the problem?

**(W)** We have to condense a description of the

entire Spanish conquest into these three sentences.

(M) Question 23. What does the woman have to write about for homework?

(W) For Question 24, you'll listen to a short conversation.

(M) What is your science-fiction story about?

(W) A future space federation. It's formed of the U.S. and Taiwan. They control the universe.

(M) Huh. Can anyone join this federation?

(W) Only people with a mastery of both English and Chinese.

(M) Question 24. What are the two people talking about?

(W) For Questions 25 and 26, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) Why don't you believe in evolution?

(W) I don't like the implications of saying we evolved from monkeys.

(M) Why not? Are you very religious?

(W) No, I just don't want to think I'm related to an animal.

(M) As animals, some monkeys have very high intelligence quotients.

(W) They're still animals!

(M) Some human behavior is worse than an animal's.

(W) Like what?

(M) Like oppression, for example.

(W) No, that's not great.

(M) And massacres! And all our wars!

(W) OK. I supposed monkeys aren't that bad.

(M) Question 25. Why doesn't the woman believe in evolution?

(W) Question 26. Which of the following is true about the man?

(M) For Questions 27 and 28, you'll listen to a conversation.

(W) Is your computer program operational yet?

(M) The one that predicts the strength of one's

immune system?

(W) Yeah.

(M) Almost.

(W) How did you start this project?

(M) At the outset, I just put in generalized national statistics.

(W) Like what?

(M) Like life expectancy and diet.

(W) So, in your generalized world, a Taiwanese person will be healthier than a North Korean?

(M) Of course!

(W) Yay, nationalism! And then?

(M) Then I input data about people who exercise, or smoke, or drink alcohol.

(W) Question 27. What is the purpose of the computer program?

(M) Question 28. Why would the man expect a Taiwanese person to be healthier than a North Korean?

(W) For Questions 29 and 30, you'll listen to a conversation.

(M) What's your new neighborhood like?

(W) Very residential. There's only one convenience store.

(M) No restaurants or other businesses?

(W) Not for miles, no.

(M) Sounds almost serene.

(W) It is. It's lovely. And very safe.

(M) Oh yeah?

(W) For sure. It's populated with very kind people.

(M) Sounds great.

(W) The nearby countryside was actually ravaged by a forest fire last year, and the residents got together to create a neighborhood watch group.

(M) What does that mean?

(W) We are all on rotation for walking through the forest to check for fire.

(W) Question 29. How does the woman describe her new neighborhood?

(M) Question 30. What is a neighborhood watch group?

#### 四、短文聽解

**Questions 31 and 32** are based on the following talk.

We learn a lot of our eating habits from our caregivers. The projection of their likes and dislikes is often seen in us. For example, my mother, her whole life, believed that sports drinks were very nutritious. She would give these to us all day, even if we did not exercise. Turns out that these drinks are terribly unhealthy- basically just sugar water. What I'm saying is that we have to be careful that our mistaken perceptions and food prejudices are not transferred onto our children. We must be educated about diet.

**Questions 33 and 34** are based on the following talk.

The reign of Queen Mary of the North is an interesting case study in the history of sovereignty. The north of the country, three centuries ago, wanted to separate from the south. They reasoned that if they had their own Queen, they could do this. So, the leaders gathered, performed the correct rites, and raised a peasant woman to the stature of royalty. They believed that a poor woman would feel so out of place in court that she would be wholly reliant on them. Turns out they couldn't rein her in and she led a peasant revolt.

**Questions 35 and 36** are based on the following advertisement.

As a professional weather person, I receive a lot of fan mail. Many letters have consisted of queries about the type of equipment that I use. One fan in particular showed a lot of persistence in asking for my recommendation for the best thermometer. Today, I'd like to show you the Ultimate Thermometer, my tool of choice for accurate temperatures and weather conditions, as well as news of pressure systems moving in.

It gathers data from over 100 online source, and then refines the numbers, sending you the best predictions.

**Questions 37 and 38** are based on the following talk.

Who is Belinda Charles? One of the most successful textile designers of our time. In 1990, she was still my subordinate, but she had big ideas. One day, she noticed that we had a large surplus of tightly-woven wool scarves in stock. She went to find out why, and noticed that, although the scarf was beautiful, the texture of the weave was very rough. She had a worker undo all the strands, and make it again, but much looser. The result was soft and amazing, and now we vend the scarf in over 50 countries.

**Questions 39 and 40** are based on the following report.

The minorities in this country have been victimized for years- no access to education, or jobs, or, sometimes, food. This all ended last month as all the various minority groups, spread throughout the country, unified. They did this through using social media, and managed to get the international community on their side. Finally, the rule of tyranny which has held them down has ended, and the transition into a peaceful democracy has begun. This is not an easy transition by any means, but it is happening.

*This is the end of the comprehension test.*