






ENGLISH LANGUAGE KNOWLEDGE TEST

For questions 1 – 10, mark one letter – A, B or C – on your ANSWER SHEET.

Where can you see these notices?

1		<p>A in the street B at the airport C at the hotel</p>
2		<p>A at a restaurant B at a zoo C in a museum</p>
3		<p>A in a grocer's shop B in a bank C at school</p>
4		<p>A in a library B at a post office C in a museum</p>
5		<p>A in a travel agency B in a garden C on a package</p>

Choose the word or phrase which best fits each space in the text below.

Past, Present and Future

A hundred years ago, most people travelled (6) _____ foot, by train, or on horseback. (7) _____ had made it possible to travel rapidly over long distances. Bicycles were also becoming (8) _____, after the invention of the air-filled (9) _____, which made cycling a lot more comfortable. Buses, trams and (10) _____ railways had already been invented, and cities all over the world already had traffic jams. There were very few private cars, and city streets were still full of horses. What a difference a hundred years have made!

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| 6 | A with | B on | C by |
| 7 | A Lines | B Railways | C Ways |
| 8 | A made | B handlebars | C popular |
| 9 | A tyre | B brake | C engine |
| 10 | A metro | B underground | C buried |

For questions 11 to 20, mark One letter A, B, C or D on your ANSWER SHEET.

Choose the word or phrase which best fits each space in the texts below.

Industrial design: Clocks

The clock was the first complex mechanical machinery to enter the home, (11) it was too expensive for the (12) person until the 19th century, when (13) production techniques lowered the price. Watches were also developed, but they (14) luxury items until 1868 when the first cheap pocket watch was designed in Switzerland. Watches later became (15) available and Switzerland became the world's leading watch manufacturing centre for the next 100 years.

- 11 A despite B although C in spite of D otherwise
- 12 A average B medium C general D common
- 13 A vast B large C wide D mass
- 14 A lasted B endured C remained D kept
- 15 A mostly B chiefly C widely D greatly

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Dublin City Walks

What better way of getting to know a new city than by walking around it? Whether you choose the Medieval Walk, which will (16) you to the Dublin of 1000 years ago, find out about the more (17) history of the city on the Eighteenth Century Walk, or meet the ghosts of Dublin's many writers on the Literary Walk, we know you will enjoy the experience. Dublin City Walks (18) twice daily. Meet your guide at 10.30 a.m. or 2.30 p.m. at the Tourist Information Office. No advance (19) is necessary. Special (20) are available for families, children and parties of more than ten people.

- 16 A introduce B present C move D show
- 17 A near B late C recent D close
- 18 A take place B occasion C work D function
- 19 A paying B reserving C warning D booking
- 20 A funds B rates C fees D costs

Q/21-40

Choose the word or phrase which best completes each sentence.

- 21 He fell _____ with his parents ten years ago. They haven't spoken since.
A off B apart C out D away
- 22 I am scared of flying. I was so nervous as the plane took _____.
A up B upwards C on D off
- 23 She is a _____ teenager – she does what she wants without listening to anyone.
A headstrong B thick-headed C headlong D headmost
- 24 _____ anxiety can be truly debilitating.
A The B An C -- D A
- 25 She accused me _____ indifferent.
A to be B of being C for being D to being
- 26 I can go out with you after all. I have _____ money.
A little B few C a little D somewhat
- 27 This time tomorrow I _____ dinner with my friends.
A will have B will have had C shall have D will be having
- 28 If I had known that fact, I _____ you.
A would approach B will approach C would have approached D will have approached
- 29 Before I sent in my application, I _____ them to inquire about the job, well in advance.
A called B had called C have called D will call
- 30 I did not know what she _____ about at that point.
A has been talking B is talking C had been talking D was talking

- 31 You should have thought more thoroughly about the problem. You made a _____ decision.
A fast B speedy C hasty D rushed
- 32 If only I _____ more when I was young.
A had studied B studied C was studying D have studied
- 33 I could not afford _____ a car.
A buying B to buy C having bought D to be buying
- 34 He asked me _____ .
A did I understand him B if I understand him C do I understand him D if I understood him
- 35 What you are saying is completely _____logical.
A il- B un- C in- D dis-
- 36 It is easy to say now that I made a mistake. At that time I didn't know what _____ .
A was I doing B I was doing C I am doing D am I doing
- 37 The court decided that she was an _____ mother and awarded custody to the father.
A unfitted B inappropriate C unfit D unsuitable
- 38 I need _____ advice from my lawyer as I have a couple of questions concerning the matter.
A a few B some C several D few
- 39 This was a very long speech, but _____ , signing this agreement will be beneficial for both countries.
A even though B with regard C in a nutshell D in that
- 40 She is an _____ supporter of the equality of women.
A ardent B assiduous C affable D alluring

For questions 41 to 50, mark **ONE** letter A, B, C or D on your **ANSWER SHEET**.
Choose the word or phrase which best fits each space in the texts below.

Violins and human voices

The 16th-century instrument-maker Andrea Amati is **(41)** with inventing the modern violin. Over a hundred years later, Antonio Stradivari introduced adjustments to Amati's design, creating violins that are now widely **(42)** to be the finest ever made. But why do these violins sound so beautiful? Where does the secret to their brilliance lie?

Recent research suggests that it **(43)** from the way their sounds correspond to the human voice. This **(44)** between the violins and human voices is not accidental. 'Early violins accompanied songs and dances,' said the researcher. 'It's conceivable that Amati and Stradivari wanted instruments that could **(45)** into the music by imitating human voices.'

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| 41 | A honoured | B admired | C credited | D praised |
| 42 | A thoughtful | B considered | C believing | D concerned |
| 43 | A runs | B grows | C flows | D stems |
| 44 | A sameness | B coherence | C resemblance | D sympathy |
| 45 | A blend | B suit | C mingle | D match |

Southdale shopping mall

The USA Southdale Center, the first fully **(46)**, climate-controlled mall from which so many other malls **(47)**....., came from the mind of an anti-car European idealist. In 1938, Victor Gruen arrived in America from Vienna in Austria with high architectural aims. He soon launched a career designing storefronts in New York City, but in 1952 he was **(48)** to design something else entirely: a shopping centre 15 kilometres outside the city of Minneapolis.

Gruen's first concept of the shopping mall seemed very radical. He **(49)** such a design in 1943 to a competition run by a magazine, which had **(50)** architects to imagine the city of the future. It was not long before his progressive ideas became these people's reality.

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| 46 | A close-up | B closure | C enclosed | D encompass |
| 47 | A descend | B degrade | C decadent | D decline |
| 48 | A demanded | B commissioned | C insisted | D conducted |
| 49 | A submitted | B distributed | C classified | D entered |
| 50 | A put forward | B called upon | C taken in | D set down |

For questions 51 to 60, mark **ONE** letter A, B, C or D on your ANSWER SHEET.
Choose the word or phrase which best completes each sentence.

- 51 Mom, _____ you _____ to sing in the school choir as a teenager?
A weren't ... used B didn't ... use C weren't ... using D haven't ... used
- 52 Only after seeing the sculpture itself _____ the artist's name.
A did I remember B I remembered C reminded I D it reminded me
- 53 We recommend _____ for financial support for his project from the Art@Heart Trust.
A he applied B he applies C him to apply D that he apply
- 54 Art is not purely a matter of talent, but of persistence and _____ as well.
A conscious B consciousness C consistence D conscientiousness
- 55 _____ down her violin and bow after the concert, the young artist let out a sigh of relief.
A Lied B Lain C Laying D Lying
- 56 The director looked at the crew members so sternly that nobody _____ another word on the set.
A dared utter B daring to utter C dared uttering D dares uttering
- 57 I'm telling you, it _____ been Albert who designed that edifice; he hadn't even completed his studies at the time.
A shouldn't have B mustn't have C can't have D hasn't
- 58 I'm not quite sure who _____ for Donald Duck's character.
A was the
loudspeaker B voiced C was outspoken D did the voice-over
- 59 The iconic French painter Claude Monet was a _____ of open-air landscape painting.
A proponent B proposal C principal D proprietor
- 60 Though Channing Tatum is starring in 'The Lost City', you can't say Brad Pitt's role is just a _____.
A backdrop B cameo C supporting D sideways

1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30
ABACB	BBCAB	BADCC	ACADB	CDACB	CDCBD
31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	51-55	56-60
CABDA	BCBCA	CBDCA	CABAB	BADDC	ACDAB
