

ENGLISH FOR BUSINESS

LISTENING TEST

LEVEL 1

Instructions to Candidates

- (a) *DO NOT OPEN THIS BOOK UNTIL THE SUPERVISOR TELLS YOU TO START*
- (b) *This is a multiple choice test. The test has 2 parts with a total of 30 questions.*
- (c) *You will listen to a series of short recordings. You will hear each listening passage **once**, so you must listen carefully. After hearing each recording choose the correct answer to each question and mark your choice **in pencil** on your answer sheet.*
- (d) *Do not mark your answers in this test book – only answers marked on the answer sheet can be scored. There is no time allowed at the end of the test to go back and check your answers or make any changes.*
- (e) *During the test use a rubber eraser to rub out any mistakes on the answer sheet.*
- (f) *Mark only one answer for each question. If you mark more than one answer for a question (for example A and C) it will automatically be scored wrong.*
- (g) *Do not make any other marks on the answer sheet as this could accidentally affect your score.*
- (i) *You are **not** allowed to use a dictionary during the test.*

NOW WAIT UNTIL THE SUPERVISOR TELLS YOU TO OPEN YOUR BOOK

Part 1

Instructions and sample questions

In Part 1 you will hear the same question three times, with three different answers to that question. You have to choose the correct answer, conversation A, B or C.

NOTE: The questions and the answers are **NOT** printed in your question book.

Now listen to the following example

[Recording]

The correct answer to the question *'So what do you do, what's your job?'*

is conversation B *'I'm an assistant manager in a small travel company'*

So you would fill in 'B' on the answer sheet.

Now look at the answer sheet and find where you should start filling in the answers for part 1.

There are 10 questions in Part 1, questions 1-10.

Now listen for question number 1

Questions for Part 1 are NOT printed in actual test books and samples are only displayed here to demonstrate question style

1)

A - Can you tell me your address, please?
- Sure, it's ... dave23 ... at ... waterman dot com.

B - Can you tell me your address, please?
- Sure, it's 0-1-5-8-2 ... 2-6-9, 3-0-4

C - Can you tell me your address, please?
- Sure, it's 26 ... High Street ... Newtown.

2)

A - Hi, do you know where the Meeting Room is?
- No, sorry – I'm new here.

B - Hi, do you know where the Meeting Room is?
- Oh, I left it on your desk this morning.

C - Hi, do you know where the Meeting Room is?
- Yes, it should arrive at 2.30.

Part 2

Instructions

In Part 2 you will hear a short conversation or announcement. On your question paper you have a question about the conversation or announcement, and **4** possible answers. You have to choose the correct answer.

Here is an example

Read the sample question and the **4** answers, then listen to the conversation and choose the correct answer.

Question **How much does one shirt cost?**

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|---|--------|
| A | £10.00 |
| B | £15.00 |
| C | £12.50 |
| D | £20.50 |

Now listen to the conversation and choose the correct answer.

[Tape recording]

The correct answer is B; one shirt costs £15.00, so you would fill in 'B' on the answer sheet.

Now look at the answer sheet and find where you should start filling in the answers for Part 2.

There are 20 questions in Part 2, questions 11-30

You have ten seconds to read each question, then you will hear the conversation or announcement.

Now look at the next page, read the first question and then listen for the conversation.

Part 2

Sample questions

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Conversation for question 3

M So can you tell me exactly how I get to your office?

W Sure – err, are you driving, or coming by train?

M I'll probably take the bus.

W Right, so you need to get off at the Town Hall – we're right next door, the tall black building on the left.

M Thanks very much – I'll see you this afternoon then.

3) How is the man going to travel to the woman's office?

- A. By train
- B. By bus
- C. By car
- D. On foot

Conversation for question 4

W Hi John – did you see that email I sent you earlier today?

M No, sorry, I've only just got here – I was busy all morning at the hospital.

W Oh dear – nothing serious, I hope.

M No, I just had to take my son in for a check-up.

4) Why wasn't the man at work this morning?

- A. He was sick
- B. He had an accident
- C. He had to go to hospital for a check-up
- D. He had to take his son to hospital

Conversation for question 5

Air Direct would like to apologise for the delay in the arrival of flight SZ-273 from Paris, due to arrive at 10.50. This flight is running about 30 minutes late, and is now expected to arrive at 11.20.

5) What is the problem?

- A. The train from Paris will be late
- B. The train to Paris has been delayed
- C. The plane from Paris has been cancelled
- D. The plane from Paris will arrive late

Answers to listening test sample questions

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- 1) A
- 2) A
- 3) B
- 4) D
- 5) D