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TEST 1

TASK 1

You are going to listen to five texts. For each of them answer the two questions given. Mark the correct answer A, B or C. You have 20 seconds to look through the questions. You will then hear the recording twice. One example is given.

*NOTE: See the link for the audio files on the inside back cover of the booklet.

e.g. **0. Who coined the term 'Megalopolis'?**

- A. It is unknown
- B. Jean Gottman
- C. It is not mentioned

B 0

Text 1

1. What is the talk mainly about?

- A. The most famous megalopolises in the world
- B. The first region to achieve the megalopolis status
- C. Description and characteristics of a megalopolis

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2. Which is the world's biggest megalopolis?

- A. New York
- B. The Boston-to-Washington Corridor
- C. It is not mentioned

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Text 2

3. What did Kate Smith do last year that was unusual?

- A. She joined a sculpture class
- B. She took up a new hobby she didn't use to like
- C. She saw a unique sculpture in the middle of the street

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4. What was Kate's reaction when she saw the sculpture?

- A. She thought the sculpture was not special
- B. She couldn't believe her eyes
- C. She thought it was real

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Text 3

5. What doesn't Nick need to take?

- A. Dance shoes
- B. Comfortable clothes
- C. Trainers

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6. What should Nick take into consideration?

- A. Starting time of the dance class
- B. Clothing items
- C. Duration of the dance class

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Text 4

7. What does the speaker try to do in his speech?

- A. Describe his working life
- B. Describe how he would like to work
- C. Encourage people to work at home

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8. What does the artist like about his life?

- A. He is his own director or the boss
- B. He doesn't need to get up early in the morning
- C. He does many sport activities

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Text 5

9. What did Clara and Robby decide to do two years ago?

- A. Look for new jobs
- B. Travel to the United Kingdom by boat
- C. To do something different

9

10. Clara was worried that...

- A. her husband would be scared
- B. the conditions would be horrible
- C. the baby would get ill

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TIPS FOR TEST 1

This section provides useful information about how to do each task. The given quick tips will make finding the correct answers easier and help you improve your performance.

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This section contains 5 short extracts with multiple choice questions. In each extract you will hear either a monologue or a conversation. There are different types of questions which test your ability to understand, for example, the general idea or main points of the extract.

Remember!

In each extract you will hear words which relate to each option, A, B and C.

Listen carefully both times to the whole extract before you choose the correct option.

Question
1

The speaker started the class discussion with a new topic and explained its definition. Then he gave the students more information about the topic. What did he talk about?

Question
6

At the end of the conversation, Nick says: 'I will take it into consideration'. What is he referring to?

Question
2

There are two megalopolises, New York and the Boston-to-Washington corridor mentioned in the talk. Besides, the speaker says that generally megalopolises are large, heavily populated areas. But does he mention the world's biggest one?

Question
7

The narrator says that there are many wonderful things about working at home alone, but he also mentions some negative sides of it. Which option corresponds to this idea?

Question
3

Kate Smith took up a new hobby three years ago, but she did not like it. Which option reflects the idea that she changed her mind?

Question
8

The artist uses the phrase 'the best thing is that nobody tells me...'. What is he referring to?

Question
4

Pay attention to the sentence: 'Kate closed her eyes. After a few seconds she opened them again'. What kind of reaction does this action describe?

Question
9

Pay attention to the fact that Clara and her husband decided to give up a job and change their life.

Question
5

Rachel mentioned two necessary things for dance class. Which of the given options was not mentioned?

Question
10

Clara mentions that she collected medicines just in case. What might be the reason for this action?