

「2 級リスニングテスト」 原稿

ただいまから、2 級リスニングテストを行います。これからお話しすることについて質問は受けませんので、よく注意して聞いてください。

このテストには、第 1 部と第 2 部があります。英文はそれぞれ一度だけ読まれます。放送の間メモをとってもかまいません。

では、第 1 部のテストから始めます。これは、対話を聞き、その質問に対して最も適切な答えを選ぶ形式です。対話と質問は一度だけ読まれます。問題は No. 1 から No. 15 まで 15 題で、解答時間はそれぞれ 10 秒です。

では、始めます。

No. 1

Colin, I just heard that I'm being transferred to the Beijing office next year.

Wow, that's exciting, Anne. The culture there is so different.

Yeah, but I don't speak the language. In fact, I don't know anything about China.

Well, you have plenty of time to prepare. And I'm sure the people in the Beijing office will be happy to help you once you get there.

Question: What do we learn about Anne?

No. 2

Hello?

Jenny, it's Dad. Can you record the Channel 5 News on TV for me tonight?

Sure, Dad. But why's it so important?

A reporter is coming to my chess-club meeting today, and I might be interviewed.

Wow, that's exciting. I'll make sure I don't forget.

Question: What does Jenny's father ask her to do?

No. 3

Excuse me. Do you fix snowboards at this store?

Sure. What's the problem?

I went over a rock when I was snowboarding. There's a big scratch on the bottom of my board.

All right. We should be able to fix that. I'll take a look at it right away.

Question: What does the woman want the man to do?

No. 4

Thanks for inviting me to dinner, Alice. It was delicious.

You're welcome. I'm sorry my house is a mess. I haven't had time to put everything away since I moved here.

Oh, no, your house is nice. I really like your furniture, especially these chairs.

Thanks. I had more nice furniture at my old house, but when I moved, I had to give some of it away.

Question: What does Alice say about her furniture?

No. 5

Hi, I'm checking in for the flight to Japan. My name is John Banks.

OK, Mr. Banks. May I see your passport, please?

Sure. Here it is. And I'd like to order a vegetarian meal, if possible.

I'm sorry, sir. Special requests need to be made at least two days in advance.

Question: What does the man ask the woman about?

No. 6

Gary, I want to use the projector for the staff meeting this afternoon. Do you know where it is?

I think Mr. Bradley is using it right now, Ms. Jones.

OK. I'll get it later. Also, could you make copies of these reports for the meeting?

Sure. When they're done, I'll put them on your desk.

Question: What will Ms. Jones do this afternoon?

No. 7

Hello. Maple University Bookstore.

Hi. Is the bookstore buying used textbooks now? I've got some textbooks from last year that are in good condition.

Sorry. We only buy textbooks at the end of the school year. We'll start buying them in May.

OK. I'll bring them in then.

Question: What does the woman tell the man?

No. 8

Nanako, before we go to dinner, could you take me to a camera store?

Sure, Patrick. Are you going to buy a camera?

Not yet. I want to compare the prices with those in the U.S.

Well, there are lots of places here in Yokohama. There's a large electronics store nearby, and their prices are quite cheap.

Question: What does Patrick want to do first?

No. 9

Well, Carl, we're finally finished with this year's sales report. Thank you for your hard work. We both worked hard, Barbara. We haven't left the office before eight o'clock for the last two weeks.

Well, now that we're done, why don't you go home early?

That's a good idea. My wife will be surprised to see me.

Question: What is one thing we learn about the man and the woman?

No. 10

Your dog is so cute. What kind is it?

He's a Jack Russell terrier.

Is he friendly?

Well, he's nice to people he knows. But he's really nervous, and he often barks a lot when strangers are around. Sometimes he can be a lot of trouble.

Question: What is one thing the woman says about her dog?

No. 11

Mom, the skin on my legs really hurts.

Wow, Allen, you've got red spots all over your legs.

Yeah. I think they're insect bites. I went to the lake with Jimmy today, and there were a lot of insects there.

Well, wait a minute. I'll go get some medicine to put on them.

Question: How did Allen probably get red spots on his legs?

No. 12

Honey, look at that couple on TV. They've been married for 50 years.

Wow, that's a long time. Let's see. We got married when we were 22, so on our 50th wedding anniversary, we'll both be 72 years old.

I know. The kids will be getting old then, too!

Yeah, and hopefully, we'll be retired from our jobs and living abroad.

Question: What does the man want to be doing when he and his wife are 72 years old?

No. 13

Excuse me. Have you been waiting to get into this restaurant for a long time?

For about 35 minutes.

Is it really worth waiting so long to get in?

Yes. The food is excellent. But the restaurant is quite small, so not many people can fit inside at one time.

Question: What is one thing the man says about the restaurant?

No. 14

Cindy, I'm worried about working with our new manager, Ms. Kent.

Don't worry, Dave. I used to work with her. She's really nice.

Oh. That's good to know. I heard she was pretty strict.

Well, she makes you work hard, but she's always fair. I think she'll be good for our department.

Question: What has Dave heard about the new manager?

No. 15

Honey, there's nothing in the kitchen to make dinner with. Let's get some takeout tonight.

OK, I'll go get something. What do you feel like eating?

How about Chinese food? We haven't had that in a long time.

That sounds good. I'll go to Shanghai Way, that restaurant near the mall.

Question: What does the couple decide to do?

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No. 16

Thomas is studying history at a college in Los Angeles. In his free time, he works as a volunteer at the college's writing center. The writing center is a place where students can get help to improve their writing skills. Thomas enjoys helping other students at the center, and he plans to continue working there until he graduates.

Question: What does Thomas do in his free time at college?

No. 17

When Paul has things that he no longer needs, he sometimes tries to sell them on the Internet. Last week, he advertised his old TV on a website. A woman who lived in his city contacted him the next day and said she wanted to buy it. However, she did not have a car, so Paul took the TV to her house in his car.

Question: What did Paul do for the woman?

No. 18

In Britain, pubs have traditionally been places where people go to drink beer and talk to friends. Until recently, many people smoked cigarettes in pubs. But now people are no longer allowed to smoke there. The government changed the law in 2007. It did this to help reduce the number of people who have health problems caused by cigarette smoke.

Question: How did Britain's pubs change in 2007?

No. 19

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson live in an apartment in New York City. Last month, they bought an old house in the countryside. The house is near a beautiful lake, and they plan to use it as a vacation home. They will stay there when they have time off from work. However, it is not in very good condition, so first they will have to find someone to do some repairs.

Question: What do Mr. and Mrs. Wilson plan to do when they have time off from work?

No. 20

Good morning, students. Welcome to the first economics class of the year. My name is Victoria Williams, and I'll be your professor for this course. I recommend that you find three or four other students to study with regularly. Study groups are effective because you can learn from one another. Also, explaining what you have learned in class to others is a good way to remember the material.

Question: What does the professor advise the students to do?

No. 21

George Washington Carver was a scientist who worked in the southern United States at the beginning of the 20th century. At that time, many farmers grew cotton plants on their land every year. However, this had a harmful effect on the soil. Carver showed farmers that if they sometimes planted crops other than cotton, such as peanuts, they could improve the condition of the soil. Many farmers followed his advice.

Question: What did George Washington Carver suggest that farmers in the southern United States do?

No. 22

Last week, Stuart's town was hit by a tornado. Luckily, no one was injured, but the strong winds damaged several homes and stores. The tornado also caused a problem with the town's power supply, and Stuart's family didn't have any electricity for three days. They had to use candles in the evenings.

Question: What problem did Stuart's family have last week?

No. 23

There are still many things that we do not know about dreaming, such as why we have dreams. We do know, however, that people usually have several dreams each night. Now, a group of scientists has found that if we don't get enough sleep one night, we spend more time dreaming the next night. It seems that our brains save up our dreams for the next time we sleep.

Question: What happens when people do not sleep enough one night?

No. 24

Attention, customers. Thank you for shopping at Southern Electronics. Are you thinking about getting a new digital camera? We have a special offer this month. If you bring us your old digital camera, we'll give you a discount of up to 50 dollars off the price of a new one. Visit our camera section on the second floor for more information. Thank you.

Question: How can customers get a discount on a new camera?

No. 25

Patrick's mother is 80 years old, and she lives alone in a small apartment. Patrick visits her regularly to clean and do other housework. But recently, she has started to need more help. Patrick has decided to arrange for a care assistant to go to his mother's apartment every day. The care assistant will do things like cook for Patrick's mother and help her take a bath.

Question: What has Patrick decided to do?

No. 26

Today, ATMs are used by millions of people worldwide to get money from banks. The first ATM was invented in America in 1939. Shortly after, a bank put this ATM in one of its branches in New York. However, not many customers used the machine, so the bank removed it. Later, in the 1960s, banks in Britain introduced ATMs. This time, they were more successful.

Question: What do we learn about the first ATM?

No. 27

Peter works for a chain of clothing stores. His job is to buy clothes that will be sold in the stores. He has to choose clothes that will be popular with young people, so he tries to learn about the latest trends. To do this, he often attends fashion shows held by clothing manufacturers.

Question: What does Peter do at his company?

No. 28

Sachiko lives with her mother in Hiroshima. Last year, Sachiko's father was transferred to his company's office in Nagoya, and he is now living in Nagoya by himself. Sachiko and her mother decided to stay in Hiroshima because Sachiko did not want to change high schools. Next year, Sachiko will go to a college in Canada to study English, and then Sachiko's mother will move to Nagoya.

Question: What is Sachiko going to do next year?

No. 29

Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. Welcome to the Richmond Film Festival. Tonight's movie will be starting in a few minutes. The movie's director, Sally Palmer, is here in the theater. After the movie finishes, she will come to the stage for a question-and-answer session. But first, please enjoy the movie.

Question: What will happen after the movie finishes?

No. 30

Roger had a job interview at a publishing company last Wednesday. Unfortunately, he got lost on the way to the company's office. He finally got there 10 minutes after the interview was scheduled to start. Roger knows that this made a bad impression, and he thinks he will not get the job. In the future, Roger will make sure he has enough time to find the place he is going to.

Question: What problem did Roger have last Wednesday?

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