

LISTENING 3 (Items 12 – 15)

You will hear four people speaking. What are they doing? For each speaker, choose ONE of the items in the box. Write **A, B, C**, etc, as in the example.

Example: "I'll have two kilos of rice, please.
And how much are those bananas?" F

ACTIVITIES

12. (1) _____

13. (2) _____

14. (3) _____

15. (4) _____

- A buying a car
- B taking a photo
- C paying a bill
- D doing some gardening
- E watching a film
- F buying some food
- G giving a presentation

VOCABULARY 1 (Items 1 – 5)

Complete the text. Use five of the words in the box. Write ONE word in each space. (There are three extra words in the box.)

believe disagree introduce invent
order reach spend support

An international private school in Paris is planning to (1) _____ Sanskrit classes for its students next year. Most parents (2) _____ the school's decision: they (3) _____ that learning this ancient and beautiful language will be good for their children's education. However, others (4) _____: they want their children to (5) _____ their time at school learning things which are more useful in the modern world.

Write your answers on your answer paper.

VOCABULARY 2 (Items 6 – 10)

Match the definitions with the words in the box. Write **A, B, C**, etc, as in the example.
(There are five extra words in the box.)

Example: A large area of land covered with trees.

F

6. A plant that is grown by farmers _____
7. A very large area of land, e.g. Africa, Asia _____
8. An area of dry land with no trees or plants _____
9. A sticky mixture of earth and water _____
10. A long, narrow, man-made stretch of water, used for transport or irrigation _____

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| A | mud |
| B | island |
| C | desert |
| D | earthquake |
| E | crop |
| F | forest |
| G | ocean |
| H | canal |
| I | valley |
| J | lake |
| K | continent |

VOCABULARY 3 (Items 11 – 15)

Complete the unfinished word in each sentence.
You are given the first letter(s) of each word. Write the whole word
in your Answer Book. Make sure you spell the word correctly.

Example: Your hands are **d_irty**_____. Go and wash them!

11. "Rome is the **cap**_____ city of Italy. It has a population of 8 million people."
12. "The light was so **br**_____ I had to put my sunglasses on."
13. "My camera's broken, but I won't take it back to the shop. I can **f**_____ it myself."
14. "On the way home, we had a puncture, so we had to use the **sp**_____ tyre."
15. "You shouldn't **bl**_____ him for the accident. It wasn't his fault."

Write your answers on your answer paper.

GRAMMAR 1 (Items 1 – 5)

Complete the dialogue. Use five of the words in the box. Write ONE word in each space. (There are three extra words in the box.)

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Speaker A: "Excuse me. Is (1) _____ a supermarket near here?"

Speaker B: "Yes, it's (2) _____ far from here."

Speaker A: "So (3) _____ do I get there?"

Speaker B: "Turn left (4) _____ the traffic lights. Go past (5) _____ Grand Mosque, and you'll see the supermarket on your right."

Speaker A: "Thank you."

GRAMMAR 2 (Items 6 – 10)

Complete each sentence. Choose the correct option: **A, B, C** or **D**.

6. "I'm tired _____ listening to her complaints. Why can't she be more patient?"
A. from B. at C. with D. of
7. From 1998 to 2003, Simon _____ in Tokyo.
A. is living B. lived C. lives D. has lived
8. "Don't worry! I'll phone you _____ I have any news."
A. until B. although C. as soon as D. while
9. The house _____ I was born was damaged in the floods.
A. where B. that C. when D. which
10. "I'm sorry. You'll have to wait. I haven't _____ yet."
A. finish B. finishing C. finishes D. finished

GRAMMAR 3 (Items 11 – 15)

Complete the text. In each space, write **ONE WORD only**.

Wood is one of the (11) _____ important fuels used (12) _____ human beings. It (13) _____ used to cook meals and heat people's homes. It is cheaper (14) _____ most other fuels, (15) _____ unfortunately cutting down trees damages the environment.

Write your answers on your answer paper.

READING 1 (Items 1 – 6)

Match the six texts on the left with the texts in the box.

Write **A, B, C**, etc, as in the example. (There are three extra texts in the box.)

Ex. It's a really beautiful place. F

1. If you want to see the festival, I suggest you go by train. _____

2. When I arrived home, the door was locked and I couldn't get in. _____

3. It was really annoying! I paid a lot of money to buy a ticket for the play. _____

4. Since I started looking for a job, I've been getting lots of offers. _____

5. All sports activities for this week have been cancelled because of heavy rain. _____

6. Now, this is your room. The nights are quite cold at this time of year. _____

- A Some of them are very interesting, but I'm having difficulty deciding which to accept!
- B However, we are hoping to start again next week, if the weather improves.
- C There is a bus that goes there, but the roads will be very crowded at this time of year.
- D But I knew that my wife would be back in a few minutes, so I just waited in my car.
- E My car broke down on the way to the office, so I was late for the meeting.
- F ~~Every year, thousands of tourists go there for their holidays.~~
- G So I'll switch off the AC, and I'll put an extra blanket on the bed for you.
- H It was a very exciting match. Both teams played very well and there were lots of goals.
- I But my seat was so far away from the stage that I could hardly see anything!
- J The hotel, which was opened in 2005, is located on the west coast of the island.

Write your answers on your answer paper.

READING 2 (Items 7 – 12)

Read each text. Then, write **ONE WORD only** to complete the answer.

It's funny how people change as they get older. As a child, my daughter loved books and her ambition was to be a great writer, while my son dreamed only of becoming a famous footballer. But now he teaches Chemistry at the university, and she's captain of the national basketball team!

7. The writer's son is a _____. (*job*)

(Message): 'Hi Muna! Salma called. She says thanks for the information that you gave her. She's finished her article now and she'd like you to check it. How can she send it to you? Should she put it in an envelope and post it, or can she send it by e-mail?'

8. Salma wants to send Muna an _____.

(Tourist guide): "It's a late work by the great Dutch artist, Frans van Heyst. It used to hang on the wall above King James' desk, but was later moved here into the sitting-room. Unfortunately, smoke from the fireplace has damaged some of the colours."

9. The guide is talking about a _____.

(From a news report): Efforts to find the missing jewellery have so far not been successful. However, the police have discovered the car which the robbers used. The vehicle, which belongs to a London businessman, is now being examined by the investigating team.

10. (Headline): POLICE FIND STOLEN _____.

"I'd arranged a meeting with Yahya, my assistant, at eight o'clock in the morning. But I overslept and got to the office fifteen minutes late! Fortunately, Yahya wasn't there yet. Five minutes later, he came in, apologizing and looking very embarrassed. I didn't say anything. I just looked at my watch, and then started the meeting!"

11. Yahya arrived at the office at eight-_____. (*time*)

In 1983, we planted six **maples** in the park. They grew quickly and are now fifteen metres tall. They look lovely in the autumn with their red and gold leaves. We had to cut one of them down last year, but we used the wood to make some nice furniture.

12. A **maple** is a kind of _____.

Write your answers on your answer paper.

READING 3 (Items 13 – 20)

Read the text. Then, for each item, choose the correct option: **A, B or C.**

Timothy Carrick grew up in the UK and studied Arabic at Oxford University, learning how to read and speak the language fluently. At the age of twenty-one, he began travelling in the Arab world, and he has spent the last fifteen years based in Sana'a, the capital city of Yemen, working as a researcher and writer.

He first became interested in Ibn Battuta when he found a copy of the great explorer's 'Travels' — in Arabic, of course — in a second-hand bookshop in Sana'a. After reading it, he made a decision: he would follow in the explorer's footsteps! He would start in Ibn Battuta's birthplace, Tangiers in Morocco, and then, following the same route, he would visit all the places that the explorer had visited nearly seven hundred years before. Then, at the end, he would write a book about his experiences and about what he had found.

So it was that on 13 September 2004, he landed at Tangiers International Airport. In the city, he was able to see Ibn Battuta's tomb, the first of many tombs that he visited on his travels. He also talked to a Moroccan historian, who gave him some valuable advice as well as a copy of his biography of the explorer. From Tangiers he flew to Cairo — unlike Ibn Battuta, who had ridden across North Africa on a camel! Of course, Timothy Carrick only had four years to complete his journey, whereas Ibn Battuta travelled for twenty-six years!

Later, in Oman, he went to Qalhat and Sur. From there he hoped to sail to Dhofar, but unfortunately it was impossible to find a suitable boat, so he had to go by bus instead. He spent three weeks in Dhofar, visiting mosques, tombs and archaeological sites and talking to the local people, who were amazed that he could speak such good Arabic.

As he continued on his journey through India, China and other places, he discovered that writing just one book would not be enough. By the end of 2008, when he finally returned to Yemen, he had completed three books, two of which have already been published.

13. Timothy Carrick lives in _____.
- A. the UK B. Yemen C. Morocco
14. He became interested in Ibn Battuta when he _____.
- A. read a biography by a Moroccan historian B. was studying at Oxford University C. read the explorer's own autobiography
15. He travelled from Morocco to Egypt by _____.
- A. plane B. camel C. boat
16. On his travels, he visited a lot of _____.
- A. palaces B. tombs C. forts
17. It took him _____ years to complete the whole journey.
- A. 4 B. 15 C. 26
18. He went from Sur to Dhofar by _____.
- A. bus B. boat C. car
19. Speaking to people in Oman was easy for him because _____.
- A. they could speak English B. they were friendly C. he could speak Arabic
20. He has written _____ about his travels.
- A. a book B. two books C. three books

WRITING 1

Describe and comment on the picture. Write 20 – 30 words.



WRITING 2

Write a PARAGRAPH about a man called **Saheer Bhatiya**. Use ALL the information in the box. Your paragraph should be correct and well-organised.

Saheer Bhatiya

next year/ open/ computer school 2007/ invent/ new software
scholarship/ university born/ Mumbai/ India/ 1978
sell/ invention/ big company poor family/ farmer
first job/ computer engineer Bangalore University/ Technology
graduate/ 2001 work hard/ top student/ school

WRITING 3

Write at least 100 words on the following topic:

Is your life interesting or boring?
— What do you think? Give your reasons.

Your writing should be clear, well-organised and lively.

Write your answers on your answer paper.