

Listening

Time: approx. 40 minutes

- *Answer all the questions*
- *You may write on the question paper but make sure you write all your answers on the separate answer sheet (You will have 5 minutes at the end of the test for this)*
- *You must not speak to the other candidates*

Task One: Short Conversations – Questions 1-4

You will hear four short conversations between Sarah who is about to go to university and her father, Mr Jenner.

For each conversation, **select an item from List A** (A-F), which best describes which course they are discussing.

AND

For each conversation, **select an item from List B** (G-L), which best describes Mr Jenner's attitude to Sarah's choice.

- You will hear each conversation twice.
- Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.



(List A)
Which course are they discussing?

- A** philosophy
- B** classical languages
- C** chemistry
- D** drama
- E** law
- F** sociology

(List B)
Mr Jenner's attitude:

- G** confused
- H** uninterested
- I** supportive
- J** sarcastic
- K** concerned
- L** impatient

Task Two: Making Notes – Questions 5-7

Listen to a travel agent talking about a town in Australia called Coober Pedy.

- The talk will be in three parts. Before each section you will be asked a question.
- While listening, take notes which will help you answer the question.
- After each section you will hear the question again, and then you will have 2 minutes to write each answer.
- Each question is worth three marks and seeks three pieces of information.
- The recording will only be played once.
- Write your notes below but remember to copy your answers onto the separate Answer Sheet.



Your notes

(Remember to write your answers on the separate answer sheet!)

Task Three: A Radio Programme – Questions 8-15

You will listen to a radio discussion about playing the air guitar involving three participants: Dave Bax, the presenter, Pete Downsend, founder of the Air Guitar World Championships, and Marta White, Air Guitar World Champion.

- On the test paper you have eight multiple choice questions about the programme.
- Choose the best response (A, B, or C) for questions 8-15. Place a ☒ in the appropriate box on your Answer Sheet.
- You will hear the recording twice.
- You have two minutes to read the questions before the recording starts.

8. What does air guitar mean to Pete?

- A** Rediscovering your childhood.
- B** It's a political statement.
- C** Playing your favourite records.

9. When the idea for a competition was first suggested the group's general reaction was...

- A** ridicule.
- B** enthusiasm.
- C** hilarity.

10. Which best describes Pete's reaction when a contestant brought a guitar to the competition?

- A** Disappointment.
- B** Offence.
- C** Revulsion.

11. Compared to playing the guitar, Pete thinks an air guitar performance...

- A** is essentially the same.
- B** permits more freedom.
- C** works in the live environment.

12. What does Marta think about Britney Spears' music?

- A** It's not a good choice for an air guitar performance.
- B** It's popular amongst performers.
- C** She personally doesn't like it.

13. Marta thinks that air guitar...

- A** is similar to television documentaries.
- B** is simply a form of entertainment.
- C** is a medium for expression.

14. What is Marta's opinion about corporate power?

- A** It has damaged the environment.
- B** It has only sought to make money.
- C** It has dulled life.

15. How does the presenter's attitude change over the course of the programme?

- A** From intrigued to disbelief.
- B** From amused to angry.
- C** From sarcastic to indifferent.

THAT IS THE END OF THE LISTENING TEST. YOU NOW HAVE 5 MINUTES TO TRANSFER YOUR ANSWERS ONTO THE SEPARATE ANSWER SHEET.