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LISTENING

Time: 10 minutes Listen to the text and choose the correct answer (A, B or C)

1. The city can boast the ancient
 A) theatre B) cinema C) library
2. The amphitheatre has ... seats on both levels.
 A) fifteen B) forty two C) twenty three
3. The high parapet proves that ...
 A) there are five entrances onto the stage B) fights were held there C) spectators used to walk there
4. The form of the stadium resembles the letter ...
 A) T B) U C) V
5. The stadium used to hold ... twenty thousand people.
 A) much than B) more than C) less than
6. ... was decorated with statues of athletes.
 A) The stadium B) The stage C) A huge building
7. Two in every three of the spaces were ...
 A) the stadium B) the theatre C) shops
8. ... shops are connected to each other.
 A) All the B) Some of the C) Modern
9. The wall to separate a part of the stadium was built ...
 A) not long ago B) in the third century C) recently
10. The guide wants to show the ...
 A) suburbs B) castle C) main street

Transfer your answers to the answer sheet!

READING

Time: 20 minutes

Task 1

Read the text and the questions below. For each question, mark the correct letter A, B, C or D. Circle the correct answer on your answer sheet.

Moonshine

The band *Moonshine* released their third CD last week. 'Here again' is a follow-up to 'The Waves'. There have been a few changes since the last CD, with Tom Wilcott on bass guitar replacing Simon McVee, who left the band last year, and the arrival of Tom Simpson on drums.

It is clear from the first song on the CD, which is a dance tune that the band is no longer going to concentrate on slow songs. The second tune is also a dance tune and is even louder and heavier. Most later tracks are in the band's more usual slow style. These two tracks will certainly come as a surprise to many fans. Either of them could easily become a hit single though, because they are excellent.

Singer Rob Letchford gets a chance to really show how good he is, reaching each note perfectly. Fans should be grateful he recorded the songs for the album before he had trouble with his throat. This has resulted in the band having to cancel their

next tour. (Anyone who has bought tickets need not worry as all the concerts will be rearranged as soon as Rob has recovered.)

On this CD, *Moonshine* show they can produce perfect music in a variety of styles, from the slow ones we are familiar with to the ones that will keep your feet tapping. I did feel, though, that they put their best songs at the beginning and the last few tracks were not of quite the same quality. Despite this, 'Here again' is certain to be a big hit and bring more success to this band.

1. What is the writer trying to do?
 A. Make suggestions about how a band could improve.
 B. Offer his opinion of a band's new CD.
 C. Give information about the members of a band.
 D. Explain why a CD has been so successful.
2. What does the writer say about the two songs at the beginning of the CD?
 A. They are unlike the songs the band normally performs.
 B. They are similar to other songs on the CD.
 C. They may not be enjoyed as much as other songs on the CD.
 D. They are too loud and heavy.
3. What does the writer tell us about Rob Letchford?
 A. He was not at his best when he recorded the CD.
 B. He is unable to do any more performances.
 C. He has become unwell since making the CD.
 D. He will not appear at some performances with the band.
4. What conclusion does the writer come to about the CD?
 A. He enjoyed the slow songs in particular.
 B. He prefers some of their earlier CDs.
 C. He thinks some of the songs may become annoying.
 D. He feels the songs at the end are worse than the ones at the beginning.
5. Which of the following did a fan say about the CD?
 A. 'I'm so pleased the band have made a CD with all their best hits. I love their music, so I know all these songs and can sing along to them.'
 B. This CD is better than the last one because it's got some dance tunes on it as well as some lovely slow tunes.
 C. I saw the band perform this CD recently at a concert so I went and bought it immediately.
 D. The members of this band haven't changed since they started and this CD shows how they have learnt to produce an amazing sound together.

Task 2

Read the holiday brochure and decide if each statement (6-10) is True (A) or False (B). Circle the correct answer on your answer sheet.

Yukon Adventure Holidays

Looking for the perfect place for a holiday? Then come to the Yukon, in north-western Canada, where we have package holidays to please everyone. From October to March you can choose one of our "winter wonderland" holidays. These include skiing, snowmobiling and dogsledding. From March to August we have

organized hiking or mountain climbing activities, as well as canoeing or white water rafting down some of the most beautiful rivers in the Yukon Valley. All of our adventure package holidays include guides and instructors to help you enjoy activities you have never tried before. Accommodation ranges from four-star hotels to log cabins or camping grounds.
For more information check our website: www.yukonholidays.com or call us toll free at 1-800-yukon.

6. Package holidays are available all year round.
7. You can travel by dogsled in July.
8. You can do watersports in the Yukon.
9. You can only stay at campsites.
10. Phone calls to the company are free of charge

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USE OF ENGLISH

Time: 10 minutes Read the text below and choose the correct word for each space. For each question, mark the correct letter – A, B, C or D. Number (0) has been done for you as an example.

The Skywalk
The Grand Canyon in the United States (0) _____ created by the River Colorado. People visit the Grand Canyon Park to go walking and running but (1) _____ to look at the view. It is a wonderful view made (2) _____ better by the Skywalk. The distance (3) _____ the Skywalk to the bottom of the Grand Canyon is 1219 metres. It is a platform (4) _____ walls and floor are built of glass (5) _____ that you can see the beautiful rocks of the canyon. Up to 120 people are allowed to stand on it at the same (6) _____. It opened in 2007 and since (7) _____ thousands of people have used it. You have to (8) _____ special covers over your shoes to (9) _____ scratching the glass beneath your feet. Walking onto the Skywalk makes you (10) _____ like a bird floating high up in the air.

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| 1. <input type="radio"/> A hugely | <input checked="" type="radio"/> B mainly | <input type="radio"/> C greatly | <input type="radio"/> D completely |
| 2. <input type="radio"/> A already | <input type="radio"/> B such | <input type="radio"/> C more | <input checked="" type="radio"/> D even |
| 3. <input checked="" type="radio"/> A from | <input type="radio"/> B through | <input type="radio"/> C by | <input type="radio"/> D for |
| 4. <input type="radio"/> A who | <input type="radio"/> B what | <input checked="" type="radio"/> C whose | <input type="radio"/> D which |
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Find the correct facts about Great Britain

11. The largest monument to Walter Scott is situated in this city.
A) Manchester B) London C) Edinburgh D) Leeds
12. What is Ben Nevis?
A) A mountain B) A lake C) A river D) A town
13. What is the national instrument of Wales?
A) The drum B) The violin C) The harp D) The piano
14. Where is Stonehenge situated?
A) England B) Wales C) Northern Ireland D) Scotland
15. Who signed her first works with the pen-name Mary Westmacott?
A) Emily Bronte B) Charlotte Bronte C) Agatha Christie D) Beatrix Potter
16. What is the Shard?
 A) The tallest tower B) The longest bridge C) The biggest shop D) A famous museum
17. Who is the national hero of Scotland?
 A) William Wallace B) William the Conqueror C) Robin Hood D) Richard the Lion Heart
18. Which of the following is also known as The Houses of Parliament?
 A) Westminster Palace B) Buckingham Palace C) The Tower D) Westminster Abbey
19. This museum is in London.
A) The Louvre B) The Met C) The Heritage Madame Tussauds D) This British ship took part in the battle of Trafalgar.
20. This British ship took part in the battle of Trafalgar.
A) Discovery B) Victory C) Curly Sark D) Titanic

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WRITING

Time: 20 minutes

Imagine that you want to invite your friend to your farewell party. Write him/her a letter of invitation.
Do not forget to:
- send your wishes;
- give the reasons why you want him to come.

You should write about 90-100 words.

Participant's ID number

Answer Sheet

Listening		Reading	
1	A	1	C
2	A	2	C
3	B	3	A
4	B	4	B
5		5	A
6	C	6	B
7	C	7	A
8	B	8	B
9	B	9	D
10	C	10	A
Use of English			
1	B	11	C
2	D	12	A
3	A	13	C
4	C	14	A
5	C	15	C
6	D	16	A
7	A	17	A
8	B	18	A
9	A	19	D
10	D	20	B
Country Studies			
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WRITING
