Keynote Proficient End-of-course Test A

Paper 3: Listening

Time: Approximately 40 minutes

Name: _____

Total score: _____ / 30

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Do not open this question paper until you are told to do so.

Listen to the instructions for each part of the paper carefully.

Answer all the questions.

While you are listening, write your answers on the question paper.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

There are four parts to the test.

Each question carries one mark.

You will hear each piece twice.

For each part of the test there will be time for you to look through the questions and time for you to check your answers.

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Part 1 MP3 file: Track1_Keynote_Prof_TestA_Part1

You will hear three different extracts. For questions **1 – 6**, choose the answer (**A**, **B** or **C**), which fits best according to what you hear. There are two questions for each extract.

Extract One

You hear two friends talking about taking up an art class.

1 What does the woman say about doing art at school?

A She was envious of those who had superior skills.

B She felt the teacher was dismissive of her evident talent.

C She found it difficult to tolerate the length of the lessons.

2 When the man tries to convince her to attend an art class, the woman

A provides further support for her initial argument.

B concedes that he may have a valid point.

C points out flaws in his reasoning.

Extract Two

You hear a man talking to his friend about overcoming a fear of flying.

3 What does the woman say about her fear of flying?

A It stemmed from an unpleasant experience she had had.

B Being armed with facts did little to soothe her concerns.

C She felt that her feelings were justifiable.

4 When talking about tackling her difficulties, the woman

A conveys relief that her persistence has been effective.

B urges others to consider using popular coping strategies.

C expresses regret that it took so long to resolve her issues.

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Extract Three

You hear part of an interview with a carpenter who produces furniture from reclaimed wood.

5 During their conversation, the woman

A questions the man's role.

B clarifies some terminology.

C points out a growing trend.

6 The man is keen to highlight that

A he is reluctant to buy materials from trade suppliers.

B he produces items which do not have a detrimental effect.

C he aims to create highly-detailed items of furniture.

Marks (out of 6): _____

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Part 2 MP3 file: Track2_Keynote_Prof_TestA_Part2

You will hear a cultural expert called Wendy Harbrook talking about her experience of eating at a colleague's home in Japan. For questions **7 – 15**, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

Wendy Harbrook: dinner in Japan

Before visiting her colleague's home for dinner, Wendy admits to feeling **(7)** ..... .

Wendy's research style allows her to directly experience what she terms the cultural **(8)** ..... of a place.

Wendy selected an odd number of **(9)** ..... as a gift for her host.

Wendy's expectation was that she would have to wear **(10)** ..... in her host's home.

The dish Wendy most enjoyed consisted mainly of **(11)** ..... .

Wendy was corrected for forgetting to put her chopsticks in a **(12)** ..... position.

Wendy was not prepared for the feeling of **(13)** ..... she felt by the time she had eaten.

Besides talking, Wendy and her host partook in **(14)** ..... after dinner.

Wendy's experiences in Japan will be described in her book, entitled **(15)** ' .....'.

Marks (out of 9): _____

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Part 3 MP3 file: Track3_Keynote_Prof_TestA_Part3

You will hear two psychologists, Joseph Bloome and Amanda Owen, talk about the meaning of success. For questions **16 – 20**, choose the answer (**A**, **B**, **C** or **D**) which fits best according to what you hear.

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16 When talking about wealth and success, Joseph

A clarifies the reason for a widely-held belief about them.

B dispels a myth about the correlation between them.

C confirms how one affects the other.

D points out the pitfalls of believing they are the same.

17 What does Amanda say about gaining material possessions?

A The expense of a purchase does not determine how much pleasure it provides.

B A person's first major purchase is likely to have the greatest effect on feelings.

C The effect a purchase has on a person is dictated by their general mood.

D The more people acquire, the more they may want to acquire.

18 When discussing alternative meanings of success, Joseph and Amanda agree that

A they prefer a definition which excludes financial wealth.

B two principal definitions appear to contradict each other.

C some people contest the conventional definitions of success.

D many people have a mistaken belief about the definition of success.

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19 What does Joseph suggest when asked about control and success?

A The people who feel most in control are those who do not worry about the future.

B People tend to feel better if they have control over their working conditions.

C Some people are particularly skilled at coping with stress in their lives.

D Some people worry excessively about their lack of control in life.

20 What does Amanda say about how she would define success in her own life?

A having greater peace of mind

B feeling better about her personal circumstances

C maintaining an outward appearance of happiness

D recognizing she is no less accomplished than her peers

Marks (out of 5): _____

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Part 4 MP3 file: Track4_Keynote_Prof_TestA_Part4

You will hear five short extracts in which people are talking about their careers.
You will hear the recording twice. While you listen, you must complete both tasks.

TASK ONE
For questions **21 – 25**, choose from the list (**A – H**) which reason each speaker gives for pursuing their career.

A to understand others better

B to feel connected to people

C to inspire others

D to follow family tradition

E to express themselves

F to make others feel good

G to gain recognition

H to follow their life-long passion

Speaker 1 _____ **21**

Speaker 2 _____ **22**

Speaker 3 _____ **23**

Speaker 4 _____ **24**

Speaker 5 _____ **25**

TASK TWO
For questions **26 – 30**, choose from the list (**A – H**) what each speaker says they have learned in their chosen profession.

A Less is more.

B Mixing styles is worthwhile.

C Planning is crucial.

D Collaboration is beneficial.

E Comparing work with others' is inevitable.

F It's useful to procrastinate.

G Envying others is pointless.

H Making mistakes is helpful.

Speaker 1 _____ **26**

Speaker 2 _____ **27**

Speaker 3 _____ **28**

Speaker 4 _____ **29**

Speaker 5 _____ **30**

Marks (out of 10): _____

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