

Test 2 answer key with extra explanations

Listening

Part 1

Questions 1–10

1 The correct answer is 'frame': The customer asks if she should take photos out of their frame and the man says, 'yes please'. **'Album' is incorrect** as the gap has 'a' in front so the answer must begin with a consonant. Also, 'album' is already provided after the gap.

2 The correct answer is '195': The man tells the customer, 'we charge £195 for 300 to 400 photos'. **'300' and '400' are incorrect** as these figures refer to the number of photos, not the cost. **'5' is incorrect** as this is the cost of an extra disk.

3 The correct answer is 'payment': The man says, 'once we've received the payment, we'll send the parcel off to you'. **'Pictures' is incorrect** as the gap has the word is after it so the answer must be singular or uncountable.

4 The correct answer is 'Grandparents': The customer suggests, 'so I could have [a folder] called "Grandparents" for instance?' The man agrees. **'Groups' is incorrect** as the folders will contain groups of photos, not be called 'groups'.

5 The correct answer is 'colour' or 'color': The man says, 'we can sometimes touch up the colour a bit, or improve the contrast'. **'Scan' and 'service' are incorrect** as these are provided but not improved upon by the company.

6 The correct answer is 'hand': The man says, 'if any [photos] look particularly fragile, we'd do them by hand'. **'Process' is incorrect** as you cannot 'scan by process'.

7 The correct answer is 'background': The man says that it is possible to 'remove an object from a photo, or maybe alter (change) the background'. **'Photo' is incorrect** as it is too vague as an answer.

8 The correct answer is 'focus': The customer asks, 'I've got a few that aren't properly in focus. Can you do anything to make that better?' The man says that he cannot. **'Anything' is incorrect** as there is no need for the photos to be inside something.

9 The correct answer is 'ten days' or '10 days': The man says, 'we aim to get the copying done in (within) ten days'. **'A box' is incorrect** as the instructions tell you to write one word only, and nothing is said about the company putting them in a box.

10 The correct answer is 'plastic': The man says that a 'cardboard box' is best because plastic ones sometimes break in the post. **'Cardboard' is incorrect** as a cardboard box is recommended.

Questions 11–20

11 The correct answer is C: The speaker says that the owner's heir (the person who inherited the property) 'chose to sell [Dartfield House] to the local council, who turned it into offices'. **A is incorrect** as the speaker says that this 'didn't come about (happen)'. **B is incorrect** as the speaker says that it was 'intended' as a family home but the owner 'died before it was completed'.

12 The correct answer is B: The speaker says, 'Developers will construct houses on the existing lower school site.' **A is incorrect** as although planning permission has been granted for the main site, nothing is said about all buildings on it being improved. **C is incorrect** as there is no mention of additional school buildings being built on the lower school site.

13 The correct answer is A: The speaker describes the canteen as 'very busy' and says, 'most pupils have to wait a considerable time to be served'. **B is incorrect** as nothing is said about a timetable change. **C is incorrect** as many pupils 'like the food that's on offer'.

14 The correct answer is A: The speaker asks parents to discuss their children's food preferences 'each morning ... so they can go straight to the relevant serving point'. **B is incorrect** as the lunches are paid for 'by topping up your child's electronic payment card online'. **C is incorrect** as the speaker says, 'everything on offer will be healthy'.

15 The correct answer is C: The speaker says, 'pupils can eat food from the Food Hall or lunch they've brought from home' in the old canteen. **A is incorrect** as there is no mention of food being served in the old canteen. **B is incorrect** as the speaker refers to pupils, not staff, using the old canteen.

16 The correct answer is D: The speaker says that the serving point 'will serve a different country's cuisine each day'. **A is incorrect** as pupils will know what is on offer each week but they will not plan this. **B is incorrect** as nothing is mentioned about vegetarian food. **C is incorrect** as the food will change daily, rather than weekly.

17 The correct answer is A: The speaker says, 'We'll ask pupils to make suggestions' (about the food). **B is incorrect** as nothing is mentioned about vegetarian food. **C and D are incorrect** as the speaker suggests there may be 'Jamaican food for a week or two' but does not mention a weekly or daily change in menu.

18 The correct answer is B: The speaker says that the Speedy Italian will cater for pupils 'who don't eat meat or fish'. **A is incorrect** as nothing is mentioned about pupils planning the menu. **C and D are incorrect** as the speaker says, 'There'll be plenty of variety' but does not mention a weekly or daily change in menu.

19 and 20 The correct answers are B and C (in either order): The speaker says, 'we're going to start drama classes', so this is a new activity. The speaker also says, 'a few pupils will be able to learn [piano] at the school instead of going to the local college, as many of them do at the moment'. **A, D and E are incorrect** as these lessons are already available at the school.

Questions 21–30

21 The correct answer is B: Luke says that the article points out that remembering dreams might make us ‘mixed up (confused) about what actually happened and what we dreamed’. **A and C are incorrect** as Luke does not say that he read about these ideas.

22 The correct answer is A: Susie says that ‘for each dream that comes true, we have thousands that don’t’. Luke agrees saying, ‘it’s just a coincidence really’. **B is incorrect** as nothing is said about events. **C is incorrect** as Susie says that many dreams don’t come true.

23 The correct answer is C: Susie says that the experiment on pre-school children ‘didn’t really find an answer’. **A is incorrect** as people did not disagree about the results. **B is incorrect** as she says that the methodology was carefully thought out.

24 The correct answer is C: Luke says that he had problems describing ‘how successful we thought we’d been’. Susie agrees: ‘I got marked down for the self-assessment as well’. **A is incorrect** as only Susie mentions the statistics. **B is incorrect** as only Luke had difficulty with the planning.

25 The correct answer is ‘history’: Luke suggests history and Susie agrees with him. **‘Literature’ is incorrect** as Susie says, ‘forget that idea’.

26 The correct answer is ‘paper’: Susie says, ‘paper might be better as they’ll be doing it straight after they wake up’, and Luke agrees to this. **‘Online’ is incorrect** as although Luke suggests it, Susie disagrees.

27 The correct answer is ‘humans’ or ‘people’: Luke says that they will need to ‘check the ethical guidelines’ and Susie agrees, ‘because our experiment involves humans, so there are special regulations’. **‘Research’ is incorrect** as it is too general and does not fit in the gap grammatically.

28 The correct answer is ‘stress’: Luke says that it is important to make sure the subjects ‘aren’t put under any unnecessary stress’. **‘Dreams’ is incorrect** as the gap has the word is after it so the answer must be singular or uncountable.

29 The correct answer is ‘graph’: Susie says that they must do the analysis and calculations and then present their ‘results visually in a graph’. **‘Number’ is incorrect** as you cannot make a number.

30 The correct answer is ‘evaluate’: Luke says, ‘and the final thing is to think about our research and evaluate it’. **‘Final’ is incorrect** as a verb is needed in the gap.

Questions 31–40

31 The correct answer is 'creativity': The speaker says that those dancing in the experiment 'showed much more creativity when doing problem-solving tasks'. **'Problem-solving' is incorrect** as the dancers did not do more of this activity than others.

32 The correct answer is 'therapy': The speaker refers to a university doctor who believes 'dance should be prescribed as therapy to help people overcome issues such as depression'. **'Depression' is incorrect** as it is an example of mental illness.

33 The correct answer is 'fitness': The speaker says that an advantage of dance is that 'Anyone can have a go, even those whose standard of fitness is quite low'. **'Standard' is incorrect** as it has the same meaning as level(s), which comes before the gap.

34 The correct answer is 'balance': The speaker says that dance reduces the risk of falls (accidents) among the elderly 'by helping people to improve their balance'. **'Dancing' is incorrect** as the quality of the dancing is not mentioned.

35 The correct answer is 'brain': The speaker says that remembering steps and dance routines 'forces [the] brain to process things more quickly and to retain more information'. **'Process' and 'information' are incorrect** as the word it in the question has to refer to the word in the gap.

36 The correct answer is 'motivation': The speaker says that older participants report 'greater motivation to be more active and do daily activities'. **'Gardening' and 'walking' are incorrect** as they are examples of activities or exercise.

37 The correct answer is 'isolation': The speaker says that dance can 'reduce older people's sense of isolation, which is a huge problem in many countries'. **'Collaboration' is incorrect** as the speaker says that dance requires this.

38 The correct answer is 'calories': The speaker says that the study showed that a 40-minute Zumba class 'burns about 370 calories' and he compares this to 'moderately (quite) intense exercises like step aerobics or kickboxing'.

39 The correct answer is 'obesity': The speaker says that the journal showed weight loss among 'women with obesity' who did Zumba. **'Body fat' is incorrect** as the instructions tell you to write one word only.

40 The correct answer is 'habit': The speaker says, 'the women enjoyed the class so much that they made it a habit'. **'Programme' is incorrect** as it does not mean they did Zumba classes regularly and Zumba already was an exercise programme.