

# Test 2 answer key with extra explanations

## Listening

### Part 1

#### Questions 1–10

- 1 The correct answer is 'collecting':** The woman says that 'one thing [the man] could do is get involved in collecting them (books)'. **'Borrow' and 'donate' are incorrect** as she does not ask for help with these activities, and the verbs are not in the correct form.
- 2 The correct answer is 'records':** The woman says, 'It would be very useful to have another person to help keep them (records) up to date'. **'Library' is incorrect** as the woman does not mention the age of the books in the library.
- 3 The correct answer is 'West':** The man asks, 'Is the library purpose-built?' The woman replies that they 'have the use of ... the West Room'. **'Left' is incorrect** as the woman uses this word to direct the man to the West Room: 'It's on the left as you go in.'
- 4 The correct answer is 'transport':** The man says, 'I could help with transport' and the woman replies, 'definitely ... we're always in need of more drivers'. **'Drivers' is incorrect** as the man is not going to *provide* these.
- 5 The correct answer is 'art':** The man says, 'I could get involved in one or two (hobbies), particularly if there are any art groups'. The woman replies, 'Excellent.' **'Groups' is incorrect** as they are not a type of hobby.
- 6 The correct answer is 'hospital':** The woman tells the man that Mrs Carroll 'needs a lift to the hospital'. The man replies, 'I could do that.'
- 'The hospital' is incorrect** as the instructions tell you to write one word only.
- 'Appointment' is incorrect** as a place is needed in the gap.
- 7 The correct answer is 'garden':** The woman says, 'if you could do some weeding in his (Mr Selsbury's) garden, that would be wonderful'. The man replies, 'OK. I'd enjoy that.'
- 'Kitchen' is incorrect** as the woman says, 'We've got some people to decorate his kitchen'.
- 8 The correct answer is 'quiz':** The woman says, 'on the 19th of October, we're holding a quiz'. **'Residents' is incorrect** as a type of event is needed in the gap.
- 9 The correct answer is 'tickets':** The woman says, 'having an extra person to check them (tickets) at the door ... would be good'. **'Band' and 'music' are incorrect** as the woman does not ask the man to check these.
- 10 The correct answer is 'poster':** The woman says, 'The one thing we haven't got yet is a poster', and the man offers to design it: 'Before I retired I was a graphic designer, so that's right up my street.' **'Draft' is incorrect** as this answer does not give enough information.

## Questions 11–20

- 11 The correct answer is B:** The speaker says, 'Almost all of them (the past owners) have left their mark, generally by adding new rooms ... or by demolishing others.'
- A is incorrect** as only the 'current owner' has worked on the 'flower beds'.
- C is incorrect** as the speaker says, 'The farm looks much as it's always done'.
- 12 The correct answer is C:** The speaker says that Sir Edward Downes 'hosted meetings of creative and literary people, like painters and poets'.
- A is incorrect** as the speaker says that he wanted to 'escape from the world of politics'.
- B is incorrect** as although Sir Edward Downes is described as 'very wealthy', the speaker does not mention him wishing to display his wealth. The speaker says that 'he didn't care whether his guests were rich or poor'.
- 13 The correct answer is C:** The speaker says that visitors will see 'volunteers dressed up as nineteenth-century servants' and that they will 'explain what they're doing'.
- A is incorrect** as the speaker says that the audio guide has been replaced: 'We've just introduced this feature to replace the audio guide'.
- B is incorrect** as the speaker says, 'Photographs ... don't give much of an idea (about the work of servants)'.
- 14 The correct answer is B:** The speaker says that 'child-sized (mini) tractors' are the 'latest addition (to the house)'. **A and C are incorrect** as the speaker does not say that these are new.
- 15 The correct answer is D:** The speaker says that the dairy is 'now the place to go for lunch, or afternoon tea, or just a cup of coffee and a slice of homemade cake'. **B is incorrect** as the speaker says that the dairy 'was where milk from the cows was turned into cheese'.
- 16 The correct answer is C:** The speaker says that the large barn contains a 'collection of agricultural tools', which were 'used in the past'. **H is incorrect** as the tools are not used today.
- 17 The correct answer is G:** The speaker says that children can 'groom (brush) the donkeys and horses' in the small barn. **F is incorrect** as the speaker does not mention rare (unusual) breeds of animals.
- 18 The correct answer is A:** The speaker says that you can 'buy gifts, books, our own jams and pickles, and clothes and blankets' in the stables. **F and G are incorrect** as the speaker says, 'horses no longer live in the stables'.
- 19 The correct answer is E:** The speaker says, 'Outside the shed ... you can climb into a horse-drawn carriage for a ... tour of the park and farm.' **C is incorrect** as the carriages, not the farming equipment, are old.
- 20 The correct answer is F:** The speaker says that the 'cattle and sheep' on the parkland 'are hardly ever found on farms these days'; they are rare. **G is incorrect** as the speaker says, 'We're helping to preserve them (the cattle and sheep)'; the visitors are not doing this.

## Questions 21–30

**21 and 22 The correct answers are D and E (in either order):** Ed says that they should include ‘the emotional impact’ of the performance (on them) and Gemma agrees. Gemma says that they should discuss scenes such as ‘when Romeo climbs onto Juliet’s balcony’ and Ed mentions ‘the fight between Mercutio and Tybalt’.

**A is incorrect** as Ed says that focusing on the ‘poetry and ... imagery ... isn’t really relevant in a review’.

**B is incorrect** as Gemma says, ‘I don’t think we need to describe what happens’.

**C is incorrect** as Gemma says, ‘I don’t think we’ll have space’ to describe the theatre.

**23 The correct answer is D:** Gemma says, ‘I think it (the set) was visually really stunning.’ Ed agrees: ‘The set design was really amazing’.

**B is incorrect** as Ed says, ‘I have seen similar ideas used in other productions’.

**C is incorrect** as nothing is said about the atmosphere created by the set.

**24 The correct answer is C:** Ed says that the lighting ‘helped to change the mood (atmosphere) of the quieter scenes’. Gemma agrees: ‘That’s a good point.’ **F and G are incorrect** as the students do not disagree about any aspect of the lighting.

**25 The correct answer is A:** Ed says, ‘I had assumed it (the costume design) would be more conventional (traditional)’ and Gemma replies, ‘Me too’. **D is incorrect.** Ed says, ‘I think it worked well’, but the students do not agree that it was a major strength.

**26 The correct answer is E:** Gemma says that ‘the music didn’t have much impact in Acts 2 and 3’. Ed agrees, saying, ‘Yes – that was a shame.’ **C is incorrect** as the students do not discuss the atmosphere created by the music.

**27 The correct answer is F:** Gemma says that the actors’ delivery was not good as ‘They were speaking too fast’. Ed says, ‘I thought it was because they weren’t speaking loudly enough’ and Gemma replies, ‘I actually didn’t have a problem with that’. **E is incorrect** as the students do not say that they were disappointed by the delivery.

**28 The correct answer is B:** Ed says, ‘There are always disagreements and tension between teenagers and their parents.’ Gemma says, ‘Yes, that’s something all young people can relate to’.

**A is incorrect** as the students say nothing about *how easily* conflict starts in the play.

**C is incorrect** as the students do not mention anything about teaching and learning.

**29 The correct answer is C:** Ed says, ‘The ending was pretty powerful.’ Gemma replies, ‘Yes. That somehow intensified the emotion for me.’ **A and B are incorrect** as Gemma says, ‘I expected to find it more challenging (demanding), but I could follow the story pretty well.’ Ed says, ‘I stopped worrying about not being able to understand all the words’.

**30 The correct answer is C:** Gemma says that the plays ‘can ... be understood on different levels’ and Ed says that directors can ‘experiment and find new angles’. **A is incorrect** as Ed refers to the ‘basic themes’ of the plays. **B is incorrect** as only the ‘depth’ of the characters is mentioned.

## Questions 31–40

- 31 The correct answer is '321,000':** The speaker says that Icelandic 'is spoken by around 321,000 people'.
- 32 The correct answer is 'vocabulary':** The speaker says that 'the vocabulary of Icelandic is continually increasing'. **'Speakers' and 'words' are incorrect** as 'a' comes before the gap and 'is' comes after the gap.
- 33 The correct answer is 'podcast':** The speaker says that 'there's an Icelandic word for podcast'. **'Internet' is incorrect** as the speaker refers to browsing the internet but does not say that there is an Icelandic word for internet.
- 34 The correct answer is 'smartphones':** The speaker says that 'young people use them (smartphones) all the time'. **'Books', 'TV', 'films', 'games' and 'music' are incorrect** as they are examples of activities that can be pursued using smartphones.
- 35 The correct answer is 'bilingual':** The speaker says that the use of technology 'promotes their (young people's) bilingual skills' and that 'it's all happening really fast'. **'English' is incorrect** as the word 'becoming' rather than 'learning' comes before the gap.
- 36 The correct answer is 'playground':** The speaker says that 'playground conversations in Icelandic secondary schools can be conducted entirely in English'. **'Playground conversations' is incorrect** as the instructions tell you to write one word only.
- 37 The correct answer is 'picture':** The speaker says that 'classes find it easier to say what is in a picture using English'. **'Situations' is incorrect** as the speaker does not mention classes describing situations, and 'a' comes before the gap indicating a singular noun is required.
- 38 The correct answer is 'grammar':** The speaker says that a 'drawback of Icelandic is the grammar, which is significantly more complex than in most languages'. The speaker adds that 'the tech giants are simply not interested in tackling this'. **'Systems' is incorrect** as it does not make sense in the gap which is followed by 'is' not 'are'.
- 39 The correct answer is 'identity':** The speaker asks, 'will young Icelanders lose their sense of their own identity?' **'Past' is incorrect** as the speaker refers to 'how much of the past is tied up in a language'.
- 40 The correct answer is 'fluent':** The speaker expresses concern about children learning two languages 'neither of which they are fully fluent in'. **'Express' and 'properly' are incorrect** as an adjective is needed in the gap.