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Listening

Listen to the recording. Decide if the sentences are True or False and circle A or B for these sentences.

1 situation

- 1. The boy revised all week for his Economics exam.
 A) True
 B) False
- + 2. It wasn't an important exam.
 A) True
 B) False
- + 3. His mum is worried about the cost of retaking the course.
 A) True
 B) False

2 situation

- + 4. The girl and the dog were playing in the park.
 A) True
 B) False
- + 5. She took Bonzo to the vet's straight away.
 A) True
 B) False
- + 6. She had only had Bonzo for a short time.
 A) True
 B) False

3 situation

- + 7. The boy was using the phone when someone stole it.
 A) True
 B) False
- + 8. The boy thinks he would recognise the thief.
 A) True
 B) False

Grammar

Choose the correct grammar form and circle the correct answer *a, b, c, d* or *e*.

+ 9. ___ birds can fly very high in ___ sky.

- a) the/a
- b) some/the
- c) some/-
- d) -/-
- e) any/the

- 10. His brother ___ in a bank for twenty years. Then he gave it up.

- a) has been working
- b) works
- c) will have worked
- d) worked
- e) has worked

+ 11. He was born ___ eleven p.m. ___ March 26th ___ the year 1987

- a) on/at/in
- b) at/on/in
- c) at/in/in
- d) on/in/on
- e) in/on/at

+ 12. Let's forget about it all, ___?

- a) won't we
- b) will we
- c) don't we
- d) shall we
- e) let us not

+ 13. I ___ read a lot when I ___ a child.

- a) had to/had been
- b) used to/was
- c) have/have been
- d) am used to/ used to be
- e) didn't/might be

+ 14. By the time we get home, it ___ raining.

- a) had stopped
- b) hadn't stopped
- c) stopped
- d) didn't stop
- e) will have stopped

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

- 15. I finally found my wallet. I have been looking for it for over a week. (LOOK)
- 16. I'm starting a job with my dad's company after I finish college. (FINISH)
- 17. Mary came around to see me later on. (COME)
- + 18. I'm so tired. I have been walking for miles and the village isn't anywhere to be seen. (WALK)
- + 19. When we were driving home from the party yesterday evening, we saw a strange object in the sky. (DRIVE, SEE)

Vocabulary

Choose the correct word or word expression and circle the correct answer a, b or c.

- + 20. I am very _____ about going to Mexico.
- a) excited
b) exciting
c) excitable
- 21. One of my teeth is _____.
- a) lose
b) loose
c) loss
- + 22. I always get _____ when I have to speak in front of a large crowd.
- a) embarrassed
b) ashamed
c) shame
- + 23. I am an _____ person. I don't like to rely on others.
- a) independence
b) independent
c) dependent
- + 24. This news might _____ the outcome of the election.
- a) inflict
b) effect
c) affect
- + 25. I was very _____, but I pretended that I was interested.
- a) boredom

b) boring

c) bored

+ 26. Can you _____ me one of your pens?

a) lend

b) borrowed

c) borrow

+ 27. _____ Polish people eat meat.

a) Most

b) Almost

c) The most

Reading

Read the text.

Are celebrities bad for you?

Celebrities are everywhere nowadays: on TV, in magazines, online. Is this preoccupation with famous people harmless fun or is it bad for us? How many people are truly obsessed with modern media idols? And on the other side of the coin, can fame be harmful to the celebrities?

Studies suggest that the vast majority of teenagers do not really worship celebrities. Researchers have identified three kinds of fans. About 15% of young people have an 'entertainment-social' interest. They love chatting about their favourite celebrities with friends and this does not appear to do any harm.

Another 5% feel that they have an 'intense-personal' relationship with a celebrity. Sometimes they see them as their soulmate and find that they are often thinking about them, even when they don't want to. These people are more at risk from depression and anxiety. If girls in this group idolise a female star with a body they consider to be perfect, they are more likely to be unhappy with their own bodies.

That leaves 2% of young people with a 'borderline-pathological' interest. They might say, for example, they would spend several thousand pounds on a paper plate the celebrity had used, or that they would do something illegal if the celebrity asked them to. These people are in most danger of being seriously disturbed.

What about the celebrities themselves? A study in the USA tried to measure narcissism or extreme self-centredness, when feelings of worthlessness and invisibility are compensated for by turning into the opposite: excessive showing off. Researchers looked at 200 celebrities, 200 young adults with Masters in

Business Administration (a group known for being narcissistic) and a nationally representative sample using the same questionnaire. As was expected, the celebrities were significantly more narcissistic than the MBAs and both groups were a lot more narcissistic than the general population.

Four kinds of celebrity were included in the sample. The most narcissistic were the ones who had become famous through reality TV shows – they scored highest on vanity and willingness to exploit other people. Next came comedians, who scored highest on exhibitionism and feelings of superiority. Then came actors, and the least narcissistic were musicians. One interesting result was that there was no connection between narcissism and the length of time the celebrity had been famous. This means that becoming famous probably did not make the celebrities narcissistic – they already were beforehand.

So, what can we learn from this? People who are very successful or famous tend to be narcissists and are liable to be ruthless, self-seeking workaholics. As we can see from celebrity magazines, they are also often desperate and lonely. They make disastrous role models.

Decide if the sentence is True or False and circle A or B for these sentences.

- + 28. The article is about whether celebrity culture is harmful, for either the public or the celebrities themselves.
a) True
b) False
- + 29. Fifteen per cent of teenagers have an interest in celebrities that probably isn't a cause for concern.
a) True
b) False
- + 30. Young people who feel they have an 'intense-personal' relationship with a celebrity do not experience any negative consequences related to it.
a) True
b) False
- + 31. A study found that celebrities were more self-centred than business administration masters students.
a) True
b) False
- + 32. Celebrities from reality TV were found to be the most vain and exploitative.
a) True
b) False

- + 33. Actors were the least self-obsessed group of celebrities.
a) True
b) False
- 34. The research concluded that the experience of being a celebrity made people more narcissistic than they were previously.
a) True
b) False
- + 35. The author says that celebrities tend to exhibit negative qualities and are therefore not good role models.
a) True
b) False

Writing

You have 30 minutes to do this task.

You are planning to visit the Lake District this summer with your family and have seen an advertisement for a cottage. Write a letter to the owner in which you:

- give information about the people travelling.
- ask about travelling to the cottage.
- request information about the bedrooms.
- ask about leisure facilities in the area.

Write 100–120 words. Remember the rules of letter writing.

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Good evening! My name is Daniel and I would like to visit the Lake District with my family this summer. Yesterday, I found an advertisement for a cottage, and I have a couple of questions about organisation moments.

First of all, there will be only 3 people: me, my wife and my little son. We need to know where is the lake located (basically the name of the station), because me and my family will be travelling by train.

And I have the second question, about living. We would like to rent ~~two~~ ^{one} bedroom that will be enough, but it has to be of a medium size.

Lastly, can you tell us about any leisure facilities of ~~the~~ this area? We need to plan which things to do.
