

「2 級リスニングテスト」 原稿

ただいまから、2 級リスニングテストを行います。リスニングテスト放送中に音飛びや騒音があった場合は、発生した問題のトラックに戻し、やり直します。しかしながら、万が一教室監督者が気づかない場合もございますので、その際は速やかに手を挙げてお知らせください。これからお話しすることについて質問は受けませんので、よく注意して聞いてください。

このテストには、第 1 部と第 2 部があります。英文はそれぞれ一度だけ読まれます。放送の間メモをとってもかまいません。

では、第 1 部のテストから始めます。これは、対話を聞き、その質問に対して最も適切な答えを選ぶ形式です。対話と質問は一度だけ読まれます。問題は、No. 1 から No. 15 まで 15 題で、解答時間はそれぞれ 10 秒です。

以上、説明が終わりましたので、今から 2 級の No. 1 を開始します。

(★=男性 A ☆=女性 A ☆☆=女性 B)

☆☆**No. 1**

☆Excuse me. How long can I keep this book?

★All books must be returned within two weeks.

☆I really need to keep it longer than that.

★In that case, you can call us in two weeks and give us your library-card number. Then you'll have one more week to return it.

☆☆**Question:** What does the woman want to do?

☆☆No. 2

☆Excuse me. Could you tell me how to get to the Royal Bank?

★It's quite far. It might be better to take a taxi.

☆I don't mind walking. I'm not in a hurry.

★All right. Go all the way down this street until you get to a bus station. Then turn left. It's on the next block.

☆☆Question: What will the woman probably do next?

☆☆No. 3

☆Honey, you're finally home. I was worried about you.

★Sorry I'm so late. The train stopped at Jefferson Station because of an accident. It was already too late to get the bus, and there weren't any taxis, so I walked.

☆From Jefferson Station! That's so far. Why didn't you call me to pick you up?

★I would have, but I forgot my phone at the office.

☆☆Question: How did the man go home from Jefferson Station?

☆☆No. 4

☆Silverlake City Museum.

★Hello. I'm a regular visitor to the museum. Do you sell special passes for frequent visitors?

☆Yes, sir, we do. The Museum Friends Pass gives you free entry for one year. It also gives you discounts on special exhibits and shows. We have a pamphlet with more information at the ticket office, if you're interested.

★Wonderful. I'll stop by the next time I'm there.

☆☆Question: What is one thing we learn about the man?

☆☆No. 5

★Ms. Jordan, I'm a big fan of your novels. Would you sign this book for me, please?

☆Sure. Thanks for coming to the bookstore to see me today.

★I just had to come and meet you. Are you working on a new novel now?

☆Yes. I'm writing a mystery. It'll be published next summer.

☆☆Question: What does the man ask Ms. Jordan to do for him?

☆☆No. 6

☆Ken, are you going anywhere for vacation?

★Maybe. I'm still planning. I'd like to go somewhere quiet—maybe camping in the mountains . . . or an Alaskan fishing trip, something like that.

☆Wow. I didn't know you liked that kind of thing.

★Well, I went to a crowded resort in Mexico last year, and before that I went to Europe. I'd like to try something different.

☆☆**Question:** Where does the man want to go on his vacation?

☆☆No. 7

★Jenny, have you seen that new TV show called Harold's Problems? It's really funny!

☆No. I haven't had time to watch TV recently. I've been working late most nights.

★Well, I recorded yesterday's program onto a DVD. If you want to borrow it, I could bring it to work tomorrow.

☆That's nice of you. I may not have much time this week, but I can probably watch it next week.

☆☆**Question:** What do we learn about the woman?

☆☆No. 8

★Let's buy this bookcase, Gabrielle. It looks really nice, and the price is reasonable.

☆I don't think it's a good idea. We'll have to put it together ourselves, and neither of us is very good at that.

★I can do it.

☆Well, I don't have as much confidence as you do, but if you really want to try, go ahead.

☆☆**Question:** Why doesn't the woman want to buy the bookcase?

☆☆No. 9

★Excuse me. I'm looking for Spanish olive oil. Do you have any?

☆I'm afraid not. We only have Italian olive oil.

★Hmm. The recipe I want to make asks for Spanish olive oil. It'll be my first time to make the dish, though, so I don't know how important it is.

☆I don't think there's much difference between them.

☆☆**Question:** Why does the man want Spanish olive oil?

☆☆No. 10

☆I have some bad news, Brian. My dad is being transferred to San Francisco next month. My mom and I will move there this winter.

★Does that mean you won't graduate with us?

☆Yeah. I'm really upset about that.

★Me, too. We've been going to school together for such a long time.

☆☆Question: What is the girl telling the boy?

☆☆No. 11

☆Dad, could you lend me some money?

★What happened to the 50 dollars I gave you at the beginning of the month?

☆I spent it at the amusement park. It was my friend's birthday, so I paid for her ticket.

★You're spending too much money, Gabriella. If you want more, you should get a part-time job.

☆☆Question: What does Gabriella want to do?

☆☆No. 12

☆Honey, hurry up. We're going to be late for the Henderson's dinner party.

★What? I'm ready to go. I was waiting for you.

☆You're ready to go? In those clothes? Dave, you are not wearing jeans and a T-shirt to the Henderson's party. It's too casual.

★Really? Do you think so? Well, OK. I'll go put on a more formal shirt and pants.

☆☆Question: What does the woman say to the man?

☆☆No. 13

☆Hello.

★Hi, Barbara. It's Greg. Do you want to come over and watch a movie tonight?

☆Well, my French exam is tomorrow morning. I need to study.

★French is my favorite subject. I can help you study for a while, and then we can watch the movie.

☆No, I'd better not. Thanks anyway.

☆☆Question: What is one thing the girl says?

☆☆No. 14

★Beth, I see you finally updated the company website.

☆Yes, Mr. Carson. I'm sorry I didn't do it by the deadline.

★I'm a little disappointed. I know you've been busy, but it's important for our new products to get on the website as soon as possible.

☆I understand. I'll make sure to do it more quickly next time.

☆☆**Question:** Why is Mr. Carson disappointed in Beth?

☆☆No. 15

☆Carl, how did your biology presentation go at university today?

★Not so well. I had some sounds saved on my laptop computer, but for some reason, the computer's speakers didn't work.

☆Why did you need to use sounds?

★Well, I had some insect noises I wanted to play during the presentation.

☆☆**Question:** What was the problem with Carl's presentation?

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では、始めます。

☆☆No. 16

☆Michelle plays the violin in her high school orchestra. She will graduate next year, and she will be giving her last performance in two weeks. Michelle is really nervous about it because it will be the first time that her grandparents will come to see her play. She wants to impress them, so she is practicing hard with the other orchestra members every day at school.

☆☆Question: Why is Michelle nervous about her last performance?

☆☆No. 17

★Welcome to the Newbridge Automobile Museum. In the main hall, you can see a wide variety of cars. We have everything from classic cars to modern electric cars. We also have a special exhibition where you can sit in cars that have appeared in Hollywood movies, including the purple sports car from *Speed Street*. You can even have your picture taken in it.

☆☆Question: What is one thing visitors can do at the special exhibition?

☆☆No. 18

☆Louis Braille was a blind person who is known for inventing a writing system for blind people. Louis Braille wanted to be able to read and write when he was a teenager, but there was no writing system when he was in school. When he was 15, he created the Braille system, which uses small dots that blind people can feel with one finger and can write by themselves.

☆☆Question: When did Louis Braille invent his writing system?

☆☆No. 19

★Ricky is a college student. Last year, he wanted money to travel around Europe for his summer vacation. He looked on a website for people who want to work from home, and he found a job where he could edit articles for an online magazine. Ricky worked on his computer every evening after classes, and he made enough money to pay for his trip.

☆☆Question: How did Ricky get money for traveling?

☆☆No. 20

☆OK, the supermarket will open in an hour, so let's get ready for the first customers. There's a special offer on Freshfields soup, so make sure there are enough packages on the shelves. Also, we should let them know we've changed where some of the items are. In particular, remind customers that bread is now in Aisle 5.

☆☆**Question:** What is one thing employees should tell customers today?

☆☆No. 21

★Bill's dream is to become a successful writer. Last year, he wrote a science-fiction novel and made it available for free on the Internet. Bill hopes that if he becomes better known, he will be able to get his next book sold in stores and make enough money to make writing his career. So far, about 500 people have downloaded the first book, and some have written good reviews.

☆☆**Question:** What does Bill want to do in the future?

☆☆No. 22

☆There is a new kind of award called the EBie Award. While awards are usually given to people or movies, EBie Awards are given to office buildings that make efforts to reduce damage to the environment. For example, buildings can win EBie Awards by adding solar panels or using less water. The award's creators hope the awards will make people want to help the earth more.

☆☆**Question:** How can buildings win EBie Awards?

☆☆No. 23

★Mark realized that his car was costing him too much. He often needed to pay for repairs, and parking in the city is expensive. So, he sold it last month. Now, Mark uses public transportation, and he rents a car when he needs to. It is cheaper than owning a car, and Mark likes renting because he can choose a different type of car to drive each time.

☆☆**Question:** What is one thing that we learn about Mark?

☆☆No. 24

☆Simon had to write a short story for his high school English class, but he could not think of anything to write about. One of his friends had told him that taking a break and doing another task can help people be more creative. So, he decided to clean his room for half an hour. He came up with an idea and started writing straight after he finished cleaning.

☆☆**Question:** Why did Simon clean his room?

☆☆No. 25

★Last week, Sean made a cake for his wife's 30th birthday. He decorated it with strawberries and whipped cream, and his wife said it looked great. The taste was not bad, but it was a little hard and dry. Sean checked the recipe for the cake, and he realized that he had set the oven timer for too long. He will be more careful next time.

☆☆**Question:** What was the problem with Sean's cake?

☆☆No. 26

☆Yogurt is a very popular food that is eaten all over the world. The word "yogurt" actually comes from Turkish, the language spoken in Turkey. However, experts think that yogurt itself was not invented in one place. It seems that many cultures around the world independently discovered how to make yogurt from milk. In fact, the oldest records of yogurt are from India, Greece, and some other countries.

☆☆**Question:** What is one thing that we learn about yogurt?

☆☆No. 27

★Steve owns a clothing store on a street downtown. Recently, a new shopping mall opened nearby. Because the mall has free parking, many people have started shopping there instead. As a result, not as many people are coming to shop at Steve's store. Steve and some other store owners on his street will ask City Hall to consider making parking free near their stores as well.

☆☆**Question:** Why is Steve unhappy?

☆☆No. 28

☆There is an island near Brazil called Queimada Grande Island. The island is famous for the snakes that live there. There are so many poisonous snakes there that the Brazilian navy does not let tourists visit the island. The snakes on Queimada Grande Island often use their strong poison to kill birds, though their poison can also hurt humans.

☆☆**Question:** What is one thing that we learn about Queimada Grande Island?

☆☆No. 29

★Welcome to Riley's Bookstore. In a moment, the writer Richard Jones is going to give a talk about his new novel, *Spring Evening*. Richard started his career by writing nonfiction books for children, but then he switched to crime novels for adults. I'm sure you want to hear all about his latest book, so please welcome Richard Jones!

☆☆**Question:** What will Richard Jones talk about?

☆☆No. 30

☆Sandra's high school is trying to raise money for a charity that helps children with serious illnesses. On Friday, Sandra will sell ribbons that students can put on their uniforms, and the money raised will go to the charity. Sandra will stand at the school gates on Friday with the ribbons and a money box. The students who want to buy one will give her two dollars.

☆☆**Question:** What will Sandra do on Friday?

では、時間です。筆記用具を置いて答えの記入をやめてください。これにて試験終了となります。公正なる試験実施にご協力いただきありがとうございました。質問がある方は、ただちに試験監督者にお申し出ください。

試験監督者に連絡いたします。これより最終の受験者数を確認してください。その後、解答用紙を回収し枚数の確認を行ってください。なお、問題冊子は回収しません。受験者数と解答用紙の枚数の一致を確認してから、解散の指示を出してください。

受験者の皆さんは、身のまわりをよく点検し、忘れものがないように注意してください。

受験者の皆さんが退室するときは、別の教室が試験中の場合もありますので、声を出さず、会場出口まで静かに退出してください。

それでは、解散の指示を出すまで静かにお待ちください。