

# 英語能力 判定テスト TEST A

## 試験時間

- 筆記試験 ..... 35分
- リスニングテスト ..... 約20分

## 注意事項

- 1 試験開始の合図があるまでは、この問題用紙を開いてはいけません。
- 2 解答用紙に名前・生年月日などの必要事項を記入する際は、必ず HB の黒鉛筆かシャープペンシルで所定の箇所に記入およびマークしてください。
- 3 問題用紙にメモしてもかまいませんが、解答は、解答用紙に直接マークしてください。  
また、問題用紙は、解答用紙と一緒に回収しますので、持ち帰ることはできません。
- 4 問題内容に関する質問は、一切受けつけません。
- 5 不正な行為があった場合は、解答はすべて無効となります。
- 6 試験中は携帯電話・PHS などを使用しないでください。
- 7 電子音の出る時計などを使用しないでください。

学籍番号(左づめ)										名 前	
										フリガナ	
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次の (1) から (30) までの ( ) に入れるのに最も適切なものを 1, 2, 3, 4 の中から一つ選びなさい。

- (1) Who was the first Englishman to set ( ) on the continent of Australia?  
1 arm            2 hand            3 leg            4 foot
- (2) Crowds ( ) up in front of this popular restaurant during lunchtime.  
1 line            2 make            3 pass            4 take
- (3) These empty cans and bottles are recycled and ( ) into usable materials.  
1 removed       2 replaced       3 transmitted    4 transformed
- (4) The United States has recently launched rockets in order to ( ) both Mars and Venus.  
1 explore        2 explode        3 expand        4 expel
- (5) After the disaster, there was ( ) any water or food left on the island.  
1 mostly        2 nearly        3 narrowly      4 scarcely
- (6) Since everyone gave me different information, I could not ( ) who was right.  
1 speak        2 inform        3 tell            4 talk
- (7) Would you please ( ) the line for a few seconds? I'll transfer your call.  
1 hold            2 hand            3 keep            4 continue
- (8) The beauty of the sunset was ( ) description.  
1 up              2 beyond        3 over            4 around
- (9) Could you ( ) this ten-dollar bill so I can make a phone call?  
1 break          2 tear            3 coin            4 cut
- (10) Recent studies show that physical exercise can play an important ( ) in maintaining good health.  
1 result         2 game            3 part            4 progress
- (11) The ( ) drinking age varies from state to state in the United States.  
1 adult          2 advanced      3 liable          4 legal
- (12) Railroad companies will raise their ( ) by an average of 10% next month.  
1 fares          2 cost            3 cash            4 bills
- (13) The proposal to build a chemical factory created a lot of ( ).  
1 controversy   2 courtesy       3 hospitality     4 modesty
- (14) The company ( ) fifty people to its regional offices as a part of its reorganization program.  
1 converted     2 employed      3 fired            4 transferred
- (15) In a mobile society, where people ( ) move from one place to another, friendships are both formed and dissolved relatively easily.  
1 newly          2 hardly         3 nicely          4 frequently
- (16) Taking photographs inside the museum is ( ) forbidden.  
1 narrowly      2 exactly        3 strictly        4 precisely

- (17) Something seems to be wrong with Ted. He doesn't have the ( ) that he once did.  
 1 vitality      2 validity      3 vapor      4 violence
- (18) The members of the graduating class planted a dozen cherry trees to ( ) their graduation.  
 1 commit      2 commute      3 compensate      4 commemorate
- (19) For some people, not getting what they want is a bitter pill to ( ).  
 1 eat      2 drink      3 taste      4 swallow
- (20) Environmental groups are calling for a total ( ) on smoking in hospitals and public places.  
 1 ban      2 prohibit      3 taboo      4 sanction
- (21) The government has drawn up emergency plans to deal with the possibility of ( ) caused by the drought.  
 1 dearth      2 bounty      3 famine      4 meagerness
- (22) If our company reorganizes, how many workers do you think will be made ( )?  
 1 vital      2 deficient      3 redundant      4 optional
- (23) Insurance is sold on the basis of what it covers, but you should carefully ( ) what's not covered in the policy.  
 1 harmonize      2 familiarize      3 organize      4 scrutinize
- (24) The national museum of a country is one of the main repositories of its cultural ( ).  
 1 conquest      2 heritage      3 paralysis      4 renovation
- (25) After his father died, Robert ( ) on with the family business by himself.  
 1 ran      2 carried      3 took      4 turned
- (26) Akira was born and ( ) in Canada, so he has no problems speaking English.  
 1 brought up      2 extended out      3 kept out      4 taken up
- (27) The note was written so badly that I couldn't ( ) what it said.  
 1 get out      2 make out      3 take out      4 count out
- (28) I ( ) my old friend when I was shopping downtown yesterday.  
 1 came around      2 ran into      3 stopped by      4 dropped in
- (29) ( ) out this form and hand it to the receptionist. And please don't forget to sign it.  
 1 Keep      2 Fill      3 Set      4 Put
- (30) Salespeople in our company have generous expense accounts and can entertain clients knowing that the company will always ( ) the tab.  
 1 pick up      2 bring up      3 pick out      4 bring out

次の英文の(31) から (35) までの1から5を並べ替えて文を作り、2番目と4番目にくる最も適切なものをつずつ選びなさい。

Although they are quickly disappearing from America, ( 31 ). In a country where people love their cars and where some of the world's greatest movies are made, it seems only natural to see a movie at a drive-in theater. After enjoying a good movie in the comfort of your own car as the stars shine overhead, ( 32 ) movie theater again.

- (31) 1 can provide                      2 drive-in theaters                      3 with  
4 people                                      5 a memorable experience

- (32) 1 you                                      2 a film                                      3 want to see  
4 in a regular                                      5 may never

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Is gardening one of your hobbies? Do you like being around flowers and plants? Well, we've got just the opportunity for you. ( 33 ) flower shop? Let our experts get you started. They'll ( 34 ) a flower shop, from choosing a location to hiring employees. Don't wait another day. Pick up the phone and call 718-1960 for details.

- (33) 1 your own                                      2 opening                                      3 try  
4 why    5 not

- (34) 1 about running                                      2 you    3 you need to know  
4 all that    5 teach

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In the early 1990s, karaoke bars were all the rage in Beijing. But many of these clubs are now struggling to survive. The reason for this is that Beijing is very fad-conscious, and karaoke is past its prime. It seems that Beijingers are finding that ( 35 ) the huge fees charged by karaoke bars.

- (35) 1 just isn't                                      2 sing badly                                      3 their friends  
4 worth    5 watching

次の (36) から (40) までの会話について、( )に入れるのに最も適切なものを 1, 2, 3, 4 の中から一つ選びなさい。

## *We Are Slowly Poisoning Our Environment!*

Consume, consume, consume! In America the consumer is king. To keep the wheels of industry turning, we manufacture consumer goods in endless quantities, and, in the process, are ( 36 ) exhausting our natural resources. But this is only half the problem. What do we do with manufactured products when they are ( 37 )? They must be disposed of, but how and where? Unsightly junkyards\* full of useless automobiles already “surround” every city in the nation. Americans throw away 80 billion bottles and cans each year, enough to build more than 10 piles to the moon. There isn’t room for much more waste, and yet the factories ( 38 ) going. Our standard of living, one of the highest in the world, requires the consumption of manufactured products in ever-increasing amounts. About to be buried in our own waste, we are caught in a trap.

It wasn’t always like this. Only 100 years ago, Americans lived more in harmony with nature. There weren’t as many people then, and their wants were ( 39 ). Whatever waste was produced could be absorbed and soon covered over by nature. Today this harmonious relationship is threatened by our ( 40 ) of foresight and planning, and by carelessness and greed. We are slowly poisoning our environment!

\*junkyards: 廃車置き場

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|------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| (36) | 1 rapidly  | 2 wisely   | 3 highly   | 4 helpfully |
| (37) | 1 made out | 2 worn out | 3 torn out | 4 sold out  |
| (38) | 1 start    | 2 stop     | 3 finish   | 4 keep      |
| (39) | 1 greater  | 2 huge     | 3 fewer    | 4 poor      |
| (40) | 1 lack     | 2 mistake  | 3 wealth   | 4 presence  |

## *Memory*

Why is it that we can remember certain things and not others? Why can we remember a special or dramatic event in our childhood, for example, and yet forget a telephone number we looked up only a few minutes earlier? Why is it that healthy people of all ages sometimes forget things from the recent past?

Humans seem to remember the past on two different levels. One level is called short-term memory, and the other is called long-term memory. Short-term memory allows us to remember the last few minutes of a conversation or that we left the pot boiling on the stove. In long-term memory, we store information about events which were very important for us and information which we carefully learned and tried to memorize. The things we are most likely to remember include our most pleasant and enjoyable experiences, while the things we most often forget are names, numbers, dates, and anything we are not able to understand. We also have difficulty remembering things when we are frustrated, tired, or not paying attention. There also seems to be a limit to what we can remember. As we get older, we lose more and more memories, leaving only the most important in the mental space available. If we could remember everything, of course, life would be unbearable.

Though research on the working of our memory has discovered a lot, there are still many things we don't understand. For example, how are facts moved from short-term to long-term memory? And why are people who have forgotten their own names still able to speak? Perhaps someday we'll be able to answer these questions.

**(41) Which of the following statements is false?**

- 1 Humans have difficulty remembering names, dates, and numbers.
- 2 We can often recall things when we are frustrated or tired.
- 3 People of all ages sometimes forget things that have recently happened.
- 4 There are many things about memory yet to be discovered.

**(42) Which aspect of human memory is already understood?**

- 1 That memory is separated into two levels.
- 2 Why people who forget their own names can also speak.
- 3 Why some memories never become long-term.
- 4 That short-term memory and long-term memory are the same.

**(43) According to the passage, which of the following are we most likely to remember for a long time?**

- 1 A phone number we just heard.
- 2 A birthday party we enjoyed as a child.
- 3 A story we read when we were tired.
- 4 A name of an unfamiliar classmate.

**(44) What would happen if we could remember everything?**

- 1 Our memories would decrease.
- 2 Our available mental space would increase.
- 3 Our lives would be extremely difficult.
- 4 Our memories would be vague.

**(45) Which of the following statements best summarizes the passage?**

- 1 We sometimes forget pleasant memories.
- 2 Healthy people can improve their memories.
- 3 Many questions about memory are still a mystery.
- 4 Long-term memory will always be remembered.

## *The Magic of Touch*

Few people fully realize that human touch is perhaps our most powerful form of communication. It is necessary for good health and is probably a requirement for survival. Indeed, it is a fact that children who are raised without being touched will become physically or mentally weak and may even die. The simple touch of another person's hand reduces the human heart rate and lowers blood pressure. Touch also helps the brain produce endorphins, natural chemicals that reduce pain. That's why a mother's hug can often help a child with a cut knee actually feel better.

Research by the Touch Research Institute (TRI) in the United States shows that massages have a positive effect on a variety of illnesses. If premature babies are given massages, they gain weight faster and are able to leave the hospital an average of six days earlier than similar babies who do not receive such treatment. In another study, a group of elderly Americans was not only given massages but also trained to give massages to small children at a TRI preschool. While the elderly people in the study benefited from receiving massages, giving massages was even more beneficial to their well-being. At the end of the study, they were found to be healthier, happier, and more active than the average person their age.

It's no surprise that massages have become increasingly popular in the United States in recent years. According to the TRI, some 25 million Americans visit professionals for massages every year—and these numbers do not include the growing number of employees who receive massages in the workplace, or the children of the 10,000 parents now studying baby massage therapy.



**(46) This article says that touch is**

- 1 not as important as most people think it is.
- 2 only important for some infants and older people.
- 3 probably necessary for human beings to live.
- 4 unnecessary for most people but still a good idea.

**(47) Why do children with minor injuries often feel better when their mothers hug them?**

- 1 Endorphins in children's brains suddenly decrease.
- 2 Children become physically weaker than usual.
- 3 Children's blood pressure gradually rises.
- 4 Children's brains release natural painkillers.

**(48) Babies who are born early**

- 1 grow faster and leave the hospital earlier than other babies.
- 2 benefit greatly from receiving massage treatment.
- 3 tend to gain weight faster than babies who are born late.
- 4 need at least six days of baby massage therapy.

**(49) Elderly Americans have discovered that giving massages**

- 1 makes them tired and less active than usual.
- 2 is not only very difficult but also hard to learn.
- 3 makes them healthier and happier than just receiving massages.
- 4 is less helpful than receiving massages from someone else.

**(50) According to the Touch Research Institute,**

- 1 the number of children who learn baby massage therapy from their parents is increasing.
- 2 about 25 million Americans receive massages from professionals at work.
- 3 10,000 parents take their children to professionals for massages every year.
- 4 the total number of Americans receiving massages every year is over 25 million.

# Listening Test 《リスニングテスト》

## Part 1

対話を聞き、その質問に対して最も適切なものを1, 2, 3, 4の中から選びなさい。



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### 放送部分

#### No.1

M: Mom, what's for dinner tonight?

F: Since it's your father's birthday, I thought we'd have his favorite dish, beef stew.

M: Oh, no! I forgot all about Dad's birthday. I've got to buy him a present right away.

#### Question

**What did the son forget?**

### 印刷部分

- 1 His father's favorite dish.
- 2 To make beef stew.
- 3 To buy a present for his mother.
- 4 His father's birthday.



音声見本

#### No.2

M: Karen, did you hear about Jimmy?

F: Let me guess. Did he win a prize at the music festival? Everyone says he's a really good musician.

M: That's right. He won first prize.

F: Wow! Let's go over to his house and congratulate him.

#### Question

**Why do Karen and her friend want to congratulate Jimmy?**

- 1 He was awarded first prize.
- 2 He attended the music festival.
- 3 They really like his music.
- 4 They think his house is great.



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#### No.3

M: Betty, have you seen my French dictionary? It was here on my desk.

F: Actually, I took it to school yesterday and forgot to bring it back home.

M: Well, I need it tonight.

F: Oh, I'm terribly sorry, John.

#### Question

**What did Betty do?**

- 1 She lent a dictionary to John.
- 2 She took a dictionary to John.
- 3 She left a dictionary on John's desk.
- 4 She left John's dictionary at school.



音声見本

**No.4**

F: Excuse me. Do you know how often the bus stops here?

M: Every half-hour during the day. But they stop running at eight.

F: Really? I've been waiting for about forty minutes.

M: Well, you've probably missed the last bus. You might want to call a taxi, then.

**Question**

**What will the woman most likely do next?**

- 1 Wait half an hour.
- 2 Get on the last bus.
- 3 Phone for a taxi.
- 4 Check the bus schedule.



音声見本

**No.5**

F: Did you see the news this morning? There was a big accident on the highway near school. The roads are going to be jammed for hours.

M: Wow! I guess we'd better not drive after all.

F: No kidding. Let's take the subway.

**Question**

**Why did they have to change their plans?**

- 1 Their car broke down.
- 2 The school was closed.
- 3 There was a traffic accident.
- 4 The subway wasn't running.

**No.6**

M: Hello, Northern Country Coaches. May I help you?

F: Yes, I'm going to Edinburgh next week. I'd like to find out how much a return ticket costs.

M: What day will you be leaving? It's 30% more expensive at the weekend.

F: Well, in that case, I'll go next Thursday.

**Question**

**Why is the woman going to travel on Thursday?**

- 1 It's cheaper than on other weekdays.
- 2 It's cheaper than at the weekend.
- 3 There are no tickets for the weekend.
- 4 There are more buses on weekdays.

**No.7**

M: Mom, I'm playing golf with Sarah this afternoon. Do you think it'll rain?

F: The weather report said it should clear up by one o'clock.

M: Oh, good. But if it does rain, we plan to go bowling instead.

F: Well, Joe, you'd better go pick her up now. Drive carefully.

**Question**

**What does Joe plan to do if it rains?**

- 1 Go for a drive.
- 2 Go golfing with his mother.
- 3 Go to Sarah's house.
- 4 Go bowling with Sarah.

**No.8**

F: Fire department? You have to come right away. There's a fire across the street!

M: Please calm down, ma'am. Tell me where you're calling from.

F: I... I don't know the name of the street. I'm at a pay phone. The fire's in a building called the Webster Paper Factory.

M: OK, I know where that is. The trucks will be there in a few minutes.

**Question**

**Where is the woman calling from?**

- 1 Her home.
- 2 The Webster Paper Factory.
- 3 The fire department.
- 4 Across the street from the fire.

**No.9**

F: There are two movies playing downtown, Leo. Which one do you want to see?

M: I don't know. What are they?

F: Well, there's *Mr. Bean*, a comedy, and *The X-Files Movie*, which is a science-fiction movie.

M: Oh, I'd rather see *Mr. Bean*. Maybe if I laugh, I can forget about the exam I took this morning.

**Question**

**Why does Leo want to see *Mr. Bean*?**

- 1 He doesn't like science-fiction movies.
- 2 He doesn't want to go downtown.
- 3 He wants to forget about his exam.
- 4 He has already seen *The X-Files Movie*.

**No.10**

M: Hello. Can I help you?

F: Yes, how much is that red lipstick? The one next to the pink nail polish.

M: \$14. But, if you buy two, you get 10% off.

F: Oh, that's OK. I don't really need more than one.

**Question**

**What does the customer want to buy?**

- 1 Nothing.
- 2 One red lipstick.
- 3 Two red lipsticks.
- 4 One bottle of pink nail polish.

**No.11**

M: Why are Larry and Steve so late today?

F: The radio said the traffic on their expressway is backed up for fifteen miles because of a ten-car pileup.

M: Really? That makes me glad I take the train.

F: Well, maybe more people will be joining you after today.

**Question****What happened today?**

- 1 The train was crowded.
- 2 There was a bad traffic accident.
- 3 The radio said to take the expressway.
- 4 The trains were backed up.

**No.12**

F: Hello, ticket office. May I help you?

M: Yes. I'd like tickets for the show at 3:30 on December 22nd. One adult and two children, please.

F: Uh, that show has been rescheduled for 11:30 a.m. on the same day.

M: Hmm...that's too early for us. Too bad. Well, thanks anyway.

**Question****What does the caller do?**

- 1 He makes a reservation.
- 2 He cancels the reservation.
- 3 He changes the reservation.
- 4 He decides not to make a reservation.

**No.13**

M: Why don't we drive up to the lake for lunch? We could stop and do a little antique shopping on the way back.

F: I'm all for the lunch plan, Jeff, but would we have enough time to look at antiques? We have to be back by two o'clock.

M: Why not? It's not that long of a drive.

F: Well, if you say so.

**Question****What does the woman decide to do?**

- 1 Drive Jeff's car.
- 2 Cancel their plan.
- 3 Do as Jeff says.
- 4 Shop at the lake.

**No.14**

M: Hi, Donna. Ready for the accounting test tomorrow?

F: No way! I had a hard time understanding what Professor Smith said to us this week in class.  
And to make matters worse, I can't find my notes.

M: Would you like me to help you tonight?

F: Would you? You're a lifesaver, Frank! Why don't you come over to my place about 7:30?  
I'll have supper ready for you.

**Question****What will Donna do tonight?**

- 1 Study accounting with Frank.
- 2 Go out for supper with Frank.
- 3 Go to Frank's place to study.
- 4 Help Frank with accounting.

**No.15**

M: Hi. I'm a member here, and I wanted to take the 7:15 aerobics class, but I forgot my card.

F: I'm sorry, sir, but the policy is that you must present your card in order to sign in.

M: Can't you make an exception, just this once?

F: I'm sorry, sir, but those are the rules.

**Question****What does the man ask the desk clerk to do?**

- 1 Explain the membership rules.
- 2 Forget the rules and let him in.
- 3 Replace his lost member's card.
- 4 Tell him where the aerobics class is.

## Part 2

英文を聞き、その質問に対して最も適切なものを1, 2, 3, 4の中から選びなさい。



音声見本

### No.16

Welcome. Our tour today is scheduled to last three hours. We must insist that you refrain from smoking, eating, and drinking during the tour. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. We request that you take no photographs. If you like a particular painting, you can buy a print in our gift shop.

#### Question

**Where was the announcement most likely made?**

#### 印刷部分

- 1 In a museum.
- 2 In a gift shop.
- 3 In a photographer's studio.
- 4 In an amusement park.



音声見本

### No.17

George was happy with his part-time job. The hours were good and the pay was above average. By working in a publishing company, he was learning a lot about doing business. He hoped he could use this knowledge in the future. He'd really like to run his own publishing company someday.

#### Question

**What does George want to do in the future?**

- 1 Manage his own publishing company.
- 2 Learn about doing business.
- 3 Work part-time in a publishing company.
- 4 Find a job with better hours.



音声見本

### No.18

Sally writes to Yuki, her pen pal in Japan, every month. They have been writing for over three years now. Both are seniors in high school. In her last letter, Yuki said that she was studying for university entrance exams. She said she would apply to ten different colleges. Sally had never heard of anyone applying to so many schools. That really surprised her.

#### Question

**What surprised Sally about Yuki?**

- 1 Yuki was studying for entrance exams.
- 2 Yuki was applying to many schools.
- 3 Yuki had a desire to go to college.
- 4 Yuki was a high school senior.



音声見本

**No.19**

Akiko reads an English-language newspaper every morning. Though the words can be difficult, she's learned to try to guess their meanings. Reading the paper not only helps her keep up-to-date with what is happening in the world, it also helps her learn how to talk about Japan in English. Someday she hopes to use this skill as an English-speaking guide.

**Question**

**What does Akiko hope to do someday?**

- 1 Work as an English-speaking guide.
- 2 Guess the meaning of English words.
- 3 Keep up with world news.
- 4 Read an English-language newspaper.



音声見本

**No.20**

Beginning now, no talking will be allowed. You are not allowed to use calculators or dictionaries. Any form of communication with another person will be regarded as cheating, and you will be failed in this subject. If you have a question at any time, please raise your hand and wait for someone to come to you.

**Question**

**Where was this announcement most likely made?**

- 1 In a church.
- 2 In a conference room.
- 3 In an examination hall.
- 4 In an art museum.

**No.21**

Amanda's favorite hobby is fishing. Whenever she has some free time she packs her fishing equipment and goes to the river near her house. She is very skillful and often catches a lot of fish, which she likes to eat. However, if they are too small she always throws them back and says, "See you next year."

**Question**

**When does Amanda throw fish back into the river?**

- 1 When they don't look tasty.
- 2 When they aren't big enough.
- 3 When she has caught too many to eat.
- 4 When she has caught them before.

**No.22**

Patrick is crazy about motorcycles. He's owned many himself and knows a great deal about them. Many of his friends come to him for advice or to ask him to help fix their motorcycles when they break down. Patrick rides his motorcycle everywhere in all kinds of weather—rain or shine. One day he hopes to ride all the way around the world.

**Question**

**What is Patrick's dream?**

- 1 To own many motorcycles.
- 2 To run his own motorcycle shop.
- 3 To travel around the world by motorcycle.
- 4 To ride his motorcycle in all kinds of weather.



**No.23**

Sarah is studying Italian art at college. During her next vacation, she plans to take a trip to Italy. She's very excited about getting the chance to look at real works of art rather than just photographs in books. Because this trip is so important to her, she's been reading a lot of guidebooks in order to be well prepared.

**Question**

**What is Sarah's main purpose in going to Italy?**

- 1 To buy art books.
- 2 To look at art.
- 3 To take photographs.
- 4 To read guidebooks.

**No.24**

The Ski Patrol says that there will be a big increase in the number of people on the ski slopes this season. In addition to the usual crowds of weekend and holiday skiers, there will be lots of snowboarders on the mountains. This means one thing—overcrowding—and therefore more accidents. The Patrol is telling everyone to use common sense when conditions become crowded.

**Question**

**What does the Ski Patrol say people should do?**

- 1 Avoid skiing trips on weekends.
- 2 Be careful on crowded slopes.
- 3 Not use snowboards on the slopes.
- 4 Dress warmly when going out.

**No.25**

Helen is a journalist and often has to travel to different cities. Even though she flies a lot, she is still afraid of flying. Recently, a friend suggested that she try talking to other passengers during takeoffs and landings to take her mind off her fears. Helen wasn't sure it would work, but she decided to try it on her future trips.

**Question**

**What advice did Helen's friend give her?**

- 1 To travel to different cities.
- 2 To talk to other passengers.
- 3 To get another job.
- 4 To avoid flying.

**No.26 & No.27**

***Grab Your Board, Mate!***

In Australia, just as in most countries with beaches, waves, warm weather, and endless coastline, surfing is a popular sport. With the nation's frequently sunny weather, surfers flock to the local seashore by the thousands, attracted by surfing's fun-loving culture and Australia's excellent waves. Yet, surfing isn't just limited to the warmer parts of the country—you can find many die-hard surfers who'll try their sport anywhere, anytime. Cold-weather surfers perfect their skill by challenging the larger winter waves, unafraid of a little chilly weather. In fact, the variety of Australia's climate and surfing conditions is probably the main reason why this nation has produced some of the world's best and most famous surfers. These professionals have successfully matched their wits against waves as big as houses all around the world.

**Questions**

**No.26** What is the speaker mainly talking about?

**No.27** According to the speaker, what has made Australia produce so many world-class surfers?

(No.26)

- 1 The history of surfing in Australia.
- 2 Reasons for the popularity of surfing in Australia.
- 3 The weather at popular surfing spots in Australia.
- 4 Overcrowding of surfing beaches in Australia.

(No.27)

- 1 The sunny coastline.
- 2 The fun-loving culture.
- 3 The variety of surfing conditions.
- 4 The number of qualified professionals.

**No.28 & No.29*****Make My Day—Creating Your Own Calendars***

Kids love calendars. There's something orderly, even powerful, about keeping track of time by marking off the days on a calendar. Furthermore, a proper appreciation of calendars allows children to positively anticipate the future. But even if your child isn't interested in an accurate account of each passing month, the calendar can serve as a decorative element in his or her room. So, why not let your children make one by themselves? It'll be an excellent time for you to demonstrate preplanning to your child, by showing how to design a layout and how to translate this design into reality. The materials don't need to be anything special. With a little imagination, you probably can find most of the items right at home. But remember: making calendars should never be a chore. It should be fun, not something stressful.

**Questions****No.28 Why is it good for children to make their own calendars?****No.29 What does the speaker want parents to keep in mind about calendar making?**

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- 1 They can pass each month more quickly.
- 2 They can have fun with friends.
- 3 They can learn to plan for the future.
- 4 They can use special materials.

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- 1 It will add stress to children's lives.
- 2 It should be an enjoyable activity.
- 3 Accuracy should be emphasized.
- 4 High quality materials should be used.

**No.30*****Florida—A Surprise Around Every Corner***

In 1513, Spanish explorer Ponce de Leon was fascinated by the Carib Indian songs about a beautiful land with a magical Fountain of Youth. Following the route described in these chants, Ponce de Leon set sail for his enchanted destination. He named the newfound territory "Florida," because he was impressed by the abundance of brilliantly colored flowers. Although each Florida region is remarkably different, the state's intriguing past can be seen everywhere today, with a surprise around every corner. Enjoy everything from archaeological digs to space-age wonders. Become Robinson Crusoe on a deserted tropical island or get the royal treatment at a luxurious resort. From the most awesome theme parks in the world to the most beautiful beaches in the country, Florida has it all. Discover for yourself the legendary magic of Florida.

**Question:****Based on the advertisement's message, what makes Florida so attractive?**

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- 1 The number of tropical islands.
- 2 The songs of the Carib Indians
- 3 The variety of activities available.
- 4 The natural beauty of its flowers.