

「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。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。

なお、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のはじめに戻し、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は速やかに手を挙げてお知らせ願います。

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. I wanted to order the salmon pasta, but I didn't see it anywhere on the menu.

☆Sorry, but we only serve salmon pasta on Wednesdays. Today's special is clam chowder.

★That's too bad. My friend recommended that I order the salmon pasta here. I was really hoping to try it.

☆My apologies, sir.

☆☆Question: Why is the man disappointed?

☆☆No. 2

☆Dillon, now that your parents are retired, what are they going to do?

★They want to travel around the world. Actually, they're going to Kenya soon to see African wild animals on safari.

☆That sounds like fun. I'd love to see elephants and zebras in the wild. I hope your parents take lots of photographs.

★I'm sure they will. I'll ask them to show you some when they get back.

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

☆☆No. 3

☆Hello.

★Hi, Betty! It's Martin. I'm calling to ask if you've decided what you want to do for your birthday.

☆Actually, I haven't really thought about it. Hmm. What about eating at that fancy new Thai restaurant that opened downtown?

★Great! Can you tell me the name of the place? I'll make a reservation.

☆It's called Diva's Dish. It's on Beach Avenue.

☆☆Question: Why did the man call the woman?

☆☆No. 4

★Welcome to the Ababa Café. We have a variety of coffee drinks, both hot and cold. Can I take your order?

☆Oh, an iced coffee would be fantastic in this weather. It's too hot for a warm drink.

★Well, we have regular, vanilla, or chocolate iced coffees. Which would you like?

☆Hmm. I'll take a vanilla iced coffee, please.

☆☆Question: Why does the woman order iced coffee?

☆☆No. 5

☆Dave, um, I have something to tell you. Do you remember that book that you let me borrow?

★Sure. *The Young Ones*, by Bryce Chambers. How do you like it?

☆Well, it seemed pretty good. The problem is I can't find it. I must have left it on the train yesterday. Should I buy you a new one?

★No, don't worry about it. I've read it twice already.

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

☆☆No. 6

☆Thanks for taking me to the Statue of Liberty, Jim. I wish my camera hadn't broken, though.

★Well, I'll send you the photos I took. Oh, don't you feel tired? We had to stand and wait for a long time to get in.

☆No, not at all. I feel fine, and the view from the top was great.

★That's good. Well, let's think about what to do next.

☆☆Question: What happened to the man and woman at the Statue of Liberty?

☆☆No. 7

☆Dad, can we go to the mountains this weekend? I want to collect some leaves for a school art project.

★Why do you need to go to the mountains for that?

☆Most of my classmates are going to get some around town, but I want to find different ones.

★You're right—there are more kinds of trees in the mountains. OK, let's go on Saturday.

☆☆Question: Why does the girl want to go to the mountains?

☆☆No. 8

★Ann, have you finished writing the presentation for our business trip next week? I'd like to check it before we go.

☆I'm still waiting on some research data from the sales department. I can't finish the presentation without it.

★I see. Well, I'll go ask them to hurry up. Once you have the data, how long will it take?

☆Probably only an hour or two.

☆☆Question: What is the problem with the woman's presentation?

☆☆No. 9

☆Hello, sir. I'm with the *Silverton Daily News*. Would you mind answering a few questions about the Fox Theater?

★I'd love to. It's my favorite theater in the city.

☆Then you must be upset by the news that it will be shut down next year.

★Yeah. I think it's a shame. It's one of the most famous buildings in Silverton.

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

☆☆No. 10

★Ms. Carter, do you think it might be possible for me to transfer to another department?

☆Why, Albert? Don't you like working here in the Sales Department?

★Of course I do. But I can't work such long hours anymore. I need to get home earlier for my kids.

☆I see. In that case, let's discuss reducing your responsibilities. I'd really like to keep you here.

☆☆Question: What does the man want to do?

☆☆No. 11

☆Bob, can I ask a favor? My son will be in a play at school next week, and I need to make a costume for him. Could I use your family's sewing machine?

★Sure, Anna. No problem.

☆Great. Can I pick it up later today?

★That would be fine. I'll be home in the evening. I have a meeting this afternoon, but I should be home by six.

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

☆☆No. 12

☆Hello. Orange Computers. How can I help you?

★My name is Mitch Sibley. May I speak to Ms. Fouts, please?

☆I'm afraid Ms. Fouts is in Boston on business. She won't be back until Thursday.

★Oh, I see. I'll try again after she gets back.

☆☆Question: Why wasn't Ms. Fouts able to take the call?

☆☆No. 13

★Have you read any good science-fiction books lately, Hannah? I can't find any that I like.

☆Yes. I just finished reading one about space travel and a plan to go to Mars. It was so exciting that I stayed up all night reading it.

★That sounds really interesting. Would you let me borrow it for a few days?

☆Sure. I have it in my bag right here.

☆☆Question: What is the boy asking Hannah?

☆☆No. 14

☆Do you want to go to a rock concert with me on Saturday? A new rock band is playing. They're called the Battle Hawks, and they're really, really good.

★That sounds like fun. Have you seen them play before?

☆No. I've only heard them on the radio. I think they'll be famous soon, though.

★Well, I can't wait to hear them play.

☆☆Question: What did the woman hear on the radio?

☆☆No. 15

☆It feels like winter. This weather is really cold for April.

★Yeah. I heard the temperature might drop below zero tonight.

☆Really? I hope not. I've just put some new plants in my garden. If it gets too cold, they'll freeze and die.

★Well, let's hope it doesn't get that cold.

☆☆**Question:** What is the woman worried about?

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10 秒です。

では、始めます。

☆☆No. 16

☆Tommy is going on a trip to Ireland. It is his first time, and he is excited about visiting some of the famous buildings there. He will have to travel on an airplane for a long time, and he is worried about not having enough to do on the plane. Tommy's aunt often flies long distances for work, so he will ask for her advice.

☆☆**Question:** What is Tommy worried about?

☆☆No. 17

★Walking is a good way to exercise, and it can also improve a person's mood and reduce stress. There is also a popular Olympic sport called race walking. Some say the sport began long ago in England, when competitions were held to see which servants could walk the fastest. These competitions were very exciting and soon began to attract large crowds.

☆☆**Question:** What is one thing we learn about servants in England long ago?

☆☆No. 18

☆Sam's mother loves to go hiking, and she often takes Sam with her. However, Sam prefers to stay home and play video games with his friends. To make exercising more fun for Sam, his mother started asking him about games while they were hiking. She asked Sam to describe his favorite game. Sam had so much fun talking about it that he did not realize he was exercising.

☆☆**Question:** What did Sam's mother do to make exercising more fun for him?

☆☆No. 19

★Michael works at a bank. He really enjoys helping his customers, but recently, he realized that many of them do not know how to manage their money. He wants to offer classes to teach customers basic financial planning. Michael thinks the classes will be useful, but he must first get permission from his boss.

☆☆**Question:** Why does Michael want to offer classes to customers?

☆☆No. 20

☆Spinach is a dark green vegetable that was first grown in Persia. It is very healthy, so it is often called a superfood. Spinach became a popular vegetable in the United States because of a cartoon character named Popeye. This character eats spinach to become strong. Thanks to this superfood, Popeye can save his girlfriend when she is in dangerous situations.

☆☆Question: Why did spinach become a popular vegetable in the United States?

☆☆No. 21

★Kyle loves playing sports. He plays soccer, basketball, tennis, and baseball. This year, however, he must study for his high school entrance exams, so he only has time to play one sport. He is not sure which one to choose. He asked his mother, and she suggested that he make a list of the things he loves about each sport to help him decide.

☆☆Question: What does Kyle need to do?

☆☆No. 22

☆You are listening to Radio Blastline FM. It's time for a message from our sponsors. Are you searching for an exciting adventure for the whole family? Come to Amazing Animals Petting Zoo and touch some of the cutest animals around. Admission for children is half-price on Sundays. You can also watch our new tiger cubs play with their mother, and you can join in our penguin parade. See you at Amazing Animals Petting Zoo.

☆☆Question: What is one thing families with children can do at Amazing Animals Petting Zoo on Sundays?

☆☆No. 23

★Madison was very excited when Josh, a boy in her class, asked her to go ice-skating with him. Madison had never been ice-skating before, so she went to an ice rink to practice a week before her date with Josh. She enjoyed it so much that she decided to buy a pair of ice skates. They cost a lot of money, but she plans to go ice-skating often in the future.

☆☆Question: What did Madison do before she went ice-skating with Josh?

☆☆No. 24

☆Melinda could not sleep well last night. She woke up several times because she heard some strange noises. She opened her window and looked outside to find out what was making them. She saw that a branch of a tree was being blown against the wall of her house. Melinda decided to go and sleep in her living room and take a look at the tree branch in the morning.

☆☆Question: Why did Melinda have trouble sleeping?

☆☆No. 25

★Too many things in a space are called clutter. By removing clutter from their homes, people can live more relaxed lives. However, it is often hard to decide which things to throw away. There are professionals who can help people to do this. One such professional, Vicky Silverthorn, made a lot of money by telling people how to remove clutter from their homes on the Internet.

☆☆Question: How did Vicky Silverthorn make a lot of money?

☆☆No. 26

☆Today is Serena's first day at a new high school. She is nervous because she is shy and has difficulty making new friends. Serena's father told her to introduce herself to the students sitting next to her in her class. After that, he told her she should get to know them by asking them about their interests.

☆☆Question: Why is Serena nervous?

☆☆No. 27

★Most brides and grooms wear special clothing on their wedding day. The things a bride and groom wear depend on where in the world they live. In Scotland, brides and grooms traditionally gave each other pieces of cloth. These pieces of cloth had their families' historical colors on them. In this way, people could see that the bride was joining her husband's family.

☆☆Question: What is one thing we learn about traditional weddings in Scotland?

☆☆No. 28

☆Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. Thank you for choosing Speedy Airlines. The pilot has just turned off the seatbelt sign. Feel free to use the restrooms at the front or at the back of the airplane. During the flight, please keep your seatbelt on while you are in your seat. We will be serving some coffee, tea, and cookies shortly.

☆☆Question: What will probably happen next?

☆☆No. 29

★Misaki often gets headaches when she works on her computer. She got a brighter light bulb for her desk lamp. She also bought a new chair to support her back better. However, neither of these changes helped. When she told her father about her headaches, he suggested she get her eyes tested. She went to an eye doctor, and he told her that she needed glasses.

☆☆Question: Why was Misaki often getting headaches?

☆☆No. 30

☆Welcome to Beautiful Bay Beach! Come and watch the surfing contest at noon. Many famous surfers will take part. We would like to ask all visitors not to play loud music and to watch children carefully while they are playing in the waves. Please listen to the lifeguards. They will tell you where it is safe to swim. Also, please do not forget to take your trash home with you. Thank you!

☆☆Question: What will happen at noon today?

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。