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C2 PROFICIENCY

Use of English

Practice Test 10



PART 1

QUESTIONS
1-8

MULTIPLE-CHOICE CLOZE

Engineers and communication

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 1-8, choose the option which best completes the text.

Engineers are often accused of being poor communicators, yet there are many reasons why engineers, in particular, should be and often are good communicators. After all, engineering calls (1) _____ enthusiasm and engineers often possess this (2) _____ quality in large quantities. Enthusiasm can be infectious, but to command the interest of readers, engineers must develop their other (3) _____ talents: clarity, observation and knowledge.

Those engineers who are logical thinkers can usually write clearly, and the more clearly thoughts are (4) _____, the greater their potential value. In the same way, those who observe must take account of subtle differences for the observations they may (5) _____ as significant. Finally, those who write must have something of (6) _____ value to say.

An engineer whose work never sees the (7) _____ of day has achieved nothing of worth until somebody else hears about it. It is essential, therefore, for engineers to lay to (8) _____ the myth that they cannot communicate, once and for all.

GAP	A	B	C	D
1	on	up	for	in
2	arresting	engaging	catching	fetching
3	domestic	innate	standard	typical
4	put across	come over	given out	set up
5	document	predict	enter	pronounce
6	basic	radical	intrinsic	central
7	light	start	dawn	birth
8	sleep	rest	bed	ground



PART 2

QUESTIONS
9-16

OPEN CLOZE

Music in video games

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 9-16, write one word in each gap.

Any mention of the game Star Quest instantly triggers the resounding opening bars of the game score, which signals the arrival of an enemy. But can you call to (9) _____ who wrote the music?

(10) _____ to the celebrated game designer Mara Wells, music accounts (11) _____ half the work in a game, mostly (12) _____ the audience even knowing the composer's name. The cruellest (13) _____ of it for the composer is that, in a good game, that is how it should be. If the art of dressing well is to all intents and purposes to dress in such a way that others do (14) _____ notice your elegance, the art of a great music score is to fuse so perfectly with what happens on the screen that audiences are unconsciously sucked (15) _____ the world of the game. For this reason, even great game music brings very (16) _____ recognition to composers.

ANSWER GRID

9		13	
10		14	
11		15	
12		16	



PART 3

QUESTIONS
17-24

WORD FORMATION

Understanding urban heat

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 17-24, use the word given in capitals to form a word that fits the gap.

Urban Heat is packed with facts about the hidden forces within cities and is a beautifully illustrated science book by the urbanist H. Marina Cole. The aim of the book is to present enough knowledge to understand the many (17) _____ of the debate about overheated cities.

Cole is alarmed about the way the public has been (18) _____ on this issue, being pushed towards certain positions on urban planning by the campaigning of (19) _____ and the news media's need for a good story. She wants to demonstrate that urban heat is an (20) _____ complicated issue, and that making overly simplistic (21) _____ will inevitably (22) _____ our understanding. She therefore (23) _____ emphasises that city records are short, often incomplete and tricky to compare.

Cole suggests that, in earlier decades, urban districts experienced temperature differences far greater than those measured in modern times. It is the (24) _____ detail with which these recent measurements have been recorded that differentiates them from the past.

QUESTION	BASE WORD	YOUR ANSWER
17	COMPLEX	
18	LEAD	
19	POLITICS	
20	CREDIBLE	
21	ASSUME	
22	PAIR	
23	REPEAT	
24	FINITE	



PART 4

QUESTIONS
25-30

KEY WORD TRANSFORMATION

Key Word Transformations - Test 10

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 25-30, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Use between 3 and 8 words.

25 It can be difficult to make a decision when there is too much time to think.

REACH

Having too much time to think may _____ a decision.

26 Visitors can enter the exhibition only if they have booked online.

RESTRICTED

Entrance _____ have booked online.

27 If Stevie hadn't acted promptly to put out the fire, there might have been more damage.

IN

But _____ out the fire, there might have been more damage.

28 Taxes will most probably rise next year.

EVERY

There _____ next year.

29 Although Chloe disagreed with the management's decision, she was forced to accept it.

CHOICE

Much as she disagreed with it, Chloe _____ the management's decision.

30 We have taken to going to the cinema on Fridays.

HABIT

We _____ going to the cinema on Fridays.



ANSWER KEY

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INSTRUCTIONS

Accepted answers are shown where more than one form is valid.

PART 1 | MULTIPLE-CHOICE CLOZE

1	C
2	B
3	B
4	A
5	A
6	C
7	A
8	B

PART 2 | OPEN CLOZE

9	MIND
10	ACCORDING
11	FOR
12	WITHOUT
13	PART
14	NOT
15	INTO
16	LITTLE

PART 3 | WORD FORMATION

17	COMPLEXITIES
18	MISLED
19	POLITICIANS
20	INCREDIBLY
21	ASSUMPTIONS
22	IMPAIR
23	REPEATEDLY
24	INFINITE

PART 4 | KEY WORD TRANSFORMATION

25	MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO REACH
26	TO THE EXHIBITION IS RESTRICTED TO VISITORS WHO
27	FOR STEVIE'S PROMPT ACTION IN PUTTING
28	IS EVERY CHANCE THAT TAXES WILL RISE
29	HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO ACCEPT
30	HAVE GOT INTO THE HABIT OF