

Preliminary for Schools Listening

Pfs PRACTICE TEST 2 ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Test 2 Listening

Part 1

- 1 A: 'I guess I'll have to make an effort to be at the [bus] stop on time.'
- 2 B: 'I really wanted to learn some skateboarding skills ... I left it too late to sign up, so it was full!'; 'So what happened?'; 'Someone cancelled, so I got my first choice after all.'
- 3 C: 'I remember putting it in the boot of the car when you picked me up from school ...'
- 4 C: 'I think she actually said seven thirty, though, so there's no need to rush.'
- 5 B: 'Looking forward to tomorrow, we're not expecting any more snow, but there will be quite a strong wind.'
- 6 A: 'Does she prefer traditional or modern? This one with stripes is very up-to-date!'; 'I'll go with your original suggestion – thanks!'
- 7 B: '... have you ever picked up a pretty stone? If you have, then bring it in to class next week ...'

Part 2

- 8 C: 'I'm happy, too – I really wanted to get all the apps that didn't work on the old one – 'cos they're really worth having.'
- 9 A: 'I guess I just thought it'd be easier. I got good at the guitar in no time at all, but this isn't the same. My teacher's great, though, ... That helps me a lot, even when it feels like I'm not making much progress.'
- 10 C: 'The brilliant thing about it is that it's been good for me, 'cos now I don't worry so much about doing difficult things like I used to – I feel sure I'll be able to do them one day.'
- 11 C: 'I didn't enjoy it, though ... I didn't agree with the photographs that won. The people who chose them weren't photographers themselves, so I don't think they had the knowledge to decide which the best ones were.'

- 12 C: 'I'm not as keen on history as you, and this is a difficult subject. I'll have to spend ages reading up about it, otherwise I'll hand in a load of rubbish!'; 'It is quite complicated, so it's not as easy to write as most history homework.'
- 13 C: 'I could follow what was happening more easily if I was watching it rather than reading it. I had to keep turning back to check things I'd read before.'

Part 3

- 14 farm: 'There's a farm near my house where they keep llamas because they organise treks for visitors.'
- 15 twelve/12: 'There were twelve of us in the group.'
- 16 peaceful: 'That doesn't sound very exciting, but it's actually really peaceful.'
- 17 lake: 'At one point, we went past a lake, which I thought was the best bit.'
- 18 (some) gloves: 'I got myself some gloves.'
- 19 Denholme: 'I'll spell the name. It's D-E-N-H-O-L-M-E.'

Part 4

- 20 A: 'But I know what I'm like – I love being the centre of attention, and this was my chance to be just that.'
- 21 B: 'We put on a big musical each winter.'
- 22 A: 'I was surprised how many dance routines there were to learn. I was only just ready in time.'
- 23 C: 'But actually, everyone in my class does out-of-school activities and drama doesn't take up any more time or energy than sport or music or whatever.'
- 24 C: 'But when the moment in the show came, I pressed the button and nothing happened. Fortunately, I was able to fix the problem after a couple of minutes.'
- 25 A: 'It's made me a more confident person.'