

「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

★Jane, do you have plans for Sunday?

☆Well, there's a big flea market in Bakersville. I'm thinking of going to that, and maybe going to see a play afterward.

★Oh. I was going to ask if you'd like to go on a fishing trip with me.

☆Hmm. Fishing sounds like fun. Yeah, I'd love to go. I can go to the flea market some other day.

☆☆Question: What will the woman probably do on Sunday?

☆☆No. 2

☆Hi, Kevin. Are you going to the company's Christmas party this weekend?

★No, I can't. My cousin's coming to visit, and I've promised to take her around town.

☆That's too bad. I was looking forward to talking with you at the party.

★Well, I'll call you next week. Maybe we can go out for lunch.

☆☆**Question:** Why can't the man attend the Christmas party?

☆☆No. 3

☆Hello, sir. May I help you with something?

★Hi. I'm looking for some handkerchiefs. They're a gift for my mother.

☆These are the only handkerchiefs we have. As you can see, they're simple but elegant, and they come in several colors.

★Well, she likes flower designs, so I think I'll look at another store.

☆☆**Question:** What will the man probably do next?

☆☆No. 4

☆I've been thinking about riding my bike to college instead of driving, Jim.

★Sounds great, Karen. It would only take about 20 minutes to cycle there from your house. And it would be better for the environment.

☆Yeah. But I'm worried about riding home after dark, especially after studying late in the library.

★Well, you should be OK if you use a light and wear a helmet.

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

☆☆No. 5

☆Good morning. Ashton City Library.

★Hi. I have a book that I'm supposed to return today, but I haven't finished reading it. Can I return it next week?

☆You can. But a late fee of 20 cents is charged for each day the book is overdue.

★OK. Thank you for your help.

☆☆**Question:** Why does the man want to return the book next week?

☆☆No. 6

★Jenny, do you remember that I told you I was having problems with my old computer? Well, now it's stopped working altogether.

☆Really? So, are you going to get a new one soon?

★Yeah. I also have to take my old one to the electronics store to have it recycled.

☆Make sure you tell them to delete all of the data on it, too.

☆☆Question: What is one thing the man says about his computer?

☆☆No. 7

☆Wow, Mr. Hanson sure gives us a lot of tough tests!

★I know. I'm worried that I won't be able to pass his class this semester.

☆Yeah, I'm worried, too. In fact, my mom's hiring a private teacher to help me study.

★That's a good idea. I'd like my mom to do that, too. I'll talk to her about it.

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

☆☆No. 8

☆Excuse me. I'm new at this college, and I'm wondering if there's a bank on campus.

★Well, there are several ATMs.

☆I see. But I need an actual bank because I want to open an account.

★Then you need to go off campus to the shopping mall across the street from the main gate. There's a bank there.

☆☆Question: What does the man suggest that the woman do?

☆☆No. 9

☆So, Mr. Jones, how is your back this week?

★Well, Doctor, I have less pain than last week. And I've finished taking all the pills.

☆Yes. Looking at this x-ray, I'd say you're getting better. You'll be able to return to work very soon.

★That's good news. I'm tired of spending so much time sitting at home.

☆☆Question: What does the doctor tell the man?

☆☆No. 10

☆You were right about traveling to California by train, honey. It's much more relaxing than flying.

★And the scenery's beautiful, isn't it? Look at those mountains in the distance.

☆They're lovely. And this is cheaper than flying. Let's think about taking the train more often.

★I agree. We almost always fly. We're in too much of a hurry to get where we're going.

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

☆☆No. 11

☆Jack, I just read an article about the benefits of taking a nap during the day.

★Sometimes I wish I could do that at work. I stay up too late at night, and I'm always tired.

☆You could sleep a little during your lunch break. Even 20 minutes can help you feel refreshed.

★Really? Maybe I'll try that.

☆☆Question: What are the man and woman talking about?

☆☆No. 12

★Hello?

☆Ben, it's Helen. Do you remember I said I'm planning a trip to Thailand? What was the name of the island you said I should visit?

★It's called Ko Lanta. It's simply beautiful. I have some travel magazines with pictures of it. I'll give them to you the next time I see you.

☆Thanks. Do they have any good hotels there?

★Yeah. There are several nice ones.

☆☆Question: What will the man do for the woman?

☆☆No. 13

☆It's raining again today, honey. When was the last time we saw the sun?

★It's been over a month. It just keeps raining and raining.

☆The weather report said it'll last one or maybe two more weeks.

★Two more weeks? This has got to be one of the longest, wettest rainy seasons we've ever had.

☆☆Question: What does the man say about the weather this year?

☆☆No. 14

★Honey, we've both been really busy with work lately. Do you think we should get someone to help with the housework?

☆Well, it would be a big help. Neither of us has much time for doing the cleaning.

★Exactly. The only problem is that I've heard housekeepers are expensive.

☆Well, it wouldn't hurt to call some housekeeping companies and find out their prices. We can always say no.

☆☆**Question:** What do the man and woman think they might need?

☆☆No. 15

★Hi. I'd like one ticket to *Zombies from Space*, please.

☆*Zombies from Space*. Hmm. You have to be 18 to see that movie. Can I ask how old you are?

★Oh, I didn't know. I'm only 16.

☆I'm sorry, but I won't be able to sell you a ticket. You can watch it if you come with one of your parents, though.

☆☆**Question:** Why can't the boy see *Zombies from Space*?

続いて、第2部です。これは英文を聞き、その質問に対して最も適切な答えを選ぶ形式です。

英文と質問は一度だけ読まれます。問題は No. 16 から No. 30 まで 15 題で、解答時間はそれぞれ 10 秒です。

では、始めます。

☆☆No. 16

☆Samantha takes the train to her office every day. Last Friday, she saw her neighbor, Mr. Watson, near the train station. He seemed to be having trouble getting onto a bus, so Samantha walked over and helped him to get on. Mr. Watson told her that he had hurt his leg when he fell off his bicycle, and then he thanked her for being so kind.

☆☆Question: What did Samantha do on Friday?

☆☆No. 17

★Laura won a big toy bear at an amusement park on Sunday. She took many pictures of it and sent them to her friends right away. The bear was so big that Laura struggled to take it home on the train. Luckily, two of her friends had seen her pictures and went to the station to help her carry it home.

☆☆Question: How did Laura's friends find out about her new toy bear?

☆☆No. 18

☆There is a place in South Africa called Stormkaap. It is famous because the Indian Ocean and the Atlantic Ocean meet near there. One ocean is warm and the other is cold, so when they meet, they make big waves. Many ships have been damaged or destroyed by these dangerous waves. Two different colors can also be seen in the water, so Stormkaap gets many visitors every year.

☆☆Question: What is one thing the speaker says about Stormkaap?

☆☆No. 19

★Thank you for calling the Pinkstar Electronics Customer Center. This line is for customers who need help with products they have bought at our stores. We are currently very busy, so it may take some time to answer your call. Please be aware that we are closed on Sundays. You can find answers to many support questions on our website, so please try searching there first. Thank you for your patience.

☆☆Question: What does the speaker suggest customers do first?

☆☆No. 20

☆In 1923, a book was published in Lebanon, a country in the Middle East. The book was called *The Prophet*, and it has been translated into more than 40 languages. People from Lebanon feel proud that a book from their country has been read in many parts of the world. Although *The Prophet* was published long ago, it is still read by many people today.

☆☆**Question:** Why do people in Lebanon feel proud of the book *The Prophet*?

☆☆No. 21

★Naomi lives in Tokyo and she visited her uncle in Osaka last weekend. When she came home on Sunday afternoon, she realized that she had left her glasses at her uncle's house. He said that he would send them to her, but she needed glasses to read at school on Monday. Naomi decided to buy new glasses to use until she gets her old ones back.

☆☆**Question:** Why did Naomi decide to buy new glasses?

☆☆No. 22

☆Welcome to the Annual Education Convention. Due to a technical error, the wireless Internet cannot be used right now. We hope to have it fixed as soon as possible. Those who need the Internet to prepare for their presentations can use one of the computers in the library on the first floor. Staff members are waiting there to assist you. Thank you for your understanding.

☆☆**Question:** What is this announcement about?

☆☆No. 23

★One of the most common materials for making clothes is cotton. People started planting cotton more than 7,000 years ago, and it spread around the world because it could be used to make strong material. Cotton material was one of the first products ever made in a factory. In fact, the city of Manchester in England was once called "Cottonopolis" because there were so many cotton factories there.

☆☆**Question:** Why did cotton spread around the world?

☆☆No. 24

☆Vanessa is busy working part time at a café and taking piano lessons. She used to play the piano every Wednesday after work, but her teacher changed the lessons to Friday. She asked the manager at the café if she could leave work earlier on Fridays, but he said no. He suggested she ask another staff member to exchange workdays with her so that she could have Fridays off.

☆☆**Question:** What did the manager suggest Vanessa do?

☆☆No. 25

★Congratulations on finishing the Parkville 10-Kilometer Fun Run! If you would like a photograph of yourself running, just log in to our smartphone application. Photographs will be available tomorrow morning. If you would like us to send a certificate for completing the 10-Kilometer Fun Run in the mail, please come and talk to the event staff today. Enjoy your day.

☆☆**Question:** How can runners get a photograph?

☆☆No. 26

☆Megan became interested in ballet because she saw a TV show about dancers. When she told her friend Victor about it, he invited her to a ballet performance at the theater where he works. The ballet was three hours long, but Megan enjoyed it a lot. After the performance, she took a picture with the dancers, and now she is thinking of taking ballet lessons.

☆☆**Question:** Why did Megan become interested in ballet?

☆☆No. 27

★Kenji is a student and he collects model cars from around the world. He has many Japanese ones, but he wants one made in Germany. Kenji thought of borrowing money from his father to buy it. However, his mother suggested that he sell some things he does not use any more, such as his guitar. Kenji took her advice and put his guitar up for sale online.

☆☆**Question:** How does Kenji plan to get the money for a model car made in Germany?

☆☆No. 28

☆Mrs. Williams lives in an old house. It is far away from the city, but she loves it because there are many animals to see and the roads are quiet at night. However, there are no stores nearby, so she has to drive a long distance to go shopping. Recently, she has been thinking of moving to an apartment in the city to make her life more convenient.

☆☆**Question:** Why is Mrs. Williams thinking of moving to an apartment in the city?

☆☆No. 29

★A marathon is held in the city of Dubai every winter. Even at this time of year, the afternoon sunlight in Dubai is very strong, so the marathon starts early in the morning before the day becomes too hot for athletes to run. During the marathon, runners can see many tall buildings, such as the Burj Al Arab, which is one of the tallest hotels in the world.

☆☆**Question:** Why does the marathon in Dubai start early on a winter morning?

☆☆No. 30

☆Robert has an important job interview tomorrow. Unfortunately, the suit that he wanted to wear needed to be cleaned. He took the suit to the dry cleaner's this morning, but they said that they would not be able to finish it in time for his interview. As a result, Robert went to buy a new suit. It was expensive, but he hopes it will help him get the job.

☆☆**Question:** Why did Robert buy a new suit?

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。