

LISTENING

Time: 10 min.

Task 1. Listen to the radio interview about high-achieving teenagers. For questions 1-5 choose the right answer (A, B or C).

1. Many famous and successful teenagers have A.
A) used new technology
B) worked from an early age
C) been inspired by YouTube videos
2. Justin Bieber started off C.
A) singing with R&B star Usher
B) sending videos to talent scouts
C) posting videos on YouTube
3. TaviGevinson started a fashion blog A.
A) when she was 11 years old
B) when she was in 11th grade in high school
C) in 2011
4. "Rookie" means B.
A) a fan B) a beginner C) someone who is bad at something
5. Louise thinks C.
A) it's difficult for Tavi to have a normal life
B) there's more pressure when you are a writer
C) there's more pressure when you are a performer

Task 2. Listen to the speaker talking about a book called The Filter Bubble. Are the sentences true or false? For statements 6-10 choose the right answer (A or B).

6. Everybody sees the same adverts when they are online.
A) True B) False
7. A cookie can track your habits on a website.
 A) True B) False
8. The speaker wrote a book called The Filter Bubble.
 A) True B) False
9. The speaker clicks more frequently on friends with the same ideas.
 A) True B) False
10. A website can decide which information you want to see.
 A) True B) False

READING

Time:

30 min.

Task 1. Choose the correct heading for paragraphs 11 -16 from the list of headings below.

Write the correct letter A-I in boxes 11-16 on your Answer Sheet.

A Newer Subway Systems

F Subway Art

B Early Subways in the Americas

G Europe's First Subways

C Asian Subway Systems

H The World's Largest Subways

D A New Device

I The Moscow Metro

E The Longest Subway

G 11. People have been traveling by subway for well over a hundred years. The first subway systems began operating in Europe in the second half of the nineteenth century. London's subway system, known as "The Underground" or "The Tube," opened in early 1863. In 1896, subways began running in both Budapest, Hungary and Glasgow, Scotland. The Budapest subway ran from the center of the city to City Park and was just under four kilometers long. The city of Paris, France began operating its subway system in 1900. Its famous name, Metro, is short for *Chemin de Fer Metropolitan* or Metropolitan Railway. Many other cities have since adopted the name Metro for their own subways.

B 12. The city of Boston, Massachusetts boasts the oldest subway system in the United States, beginning operations in 1897. It had only two stations when it first opened, The New York City Subway, now one of the largest subway systems in the world, began running in 1904. The original line was 14.5 kilometers long and ran from City Hall in downtown Manhattan to 145th Street. The city of Philadelphia opened its first subway line in 1907. The oldest subway in Latin America began operations in Buenos Aires, Argentina in 1913. It is called the *subte*, short for *subterraneo* or underground.

A 13. The second half of the twentieth century saw new subway systems constructed in cities around the world. Many Korean cities have modern subway systems, the largest one in the capital city of Seoul, with 287 kilometers of track. The first subway in Brazil opened in the city of Sao Paulo in 1974. Since then subways have been built in a number of other Brazilian cities, including Rio de Janeiro and the capital, Brasilia. Washington, DC, began running the Washington Metro in 1976. Hong Kong opened its subway in 1979. This system includes four lines that run under Victoria Harbour. In 2000, a 17-mile long subway system was completed in Los Angeles, a city infamous for its traffic problems and resulting smog. Construction of this system took fourteen years to complete.

E 14. With a total of 468 stations and 656 miles of passenger service track, the New York City Subway is among the largest subway systems in the world. If the tracks in train yards, shops, and storage areas are added in, the total track length of the New York Subway comes to 842 miles. Measured by number of riders, the Moscow Metro is the world's largest system, with 3.2 billion riders annually. Other cities with busy subways include Tokyo, with 2.6 billion riders a year, and Seoul and Mexico City, both carrying 1.4 billion riders annually.

F 15. In some cities, the subway stations are famous for their architecture and artwork. The stations of the Moscow Metro are well-known for their beautiful examples of socialist-realist art. The Baker Street station

in London honors the fictional detective, Sherlock Holmes, who supposedly lived on Baker Street. Decorative tiles in the station's interior depict the character, and a Sherlock Holmes statue sits outside one of the station exits. Each of the stations of the new Los Angeles subway system contains murals, sculptures, or other examples of decorative artwork.

16. A new feature now often included in the construction of new subway stations is the Platform Screen Door (PSD). The Singapore subway was the first to be built with the inclusion of PSDs. The original purpose was to reduce high air-conditioning costs in underground stations. Since then, there has been more and more focus on the safety aspects of this device, as it can prevent people from accidentally falling or being pushed onto the track. PSDs also keep the station platforms quieter and cleaner and allow trains to enter stations at higher rates of speed. The subway system in Hong Kong was the first to have PSDs added to an already existing system. They are becoming more common in subway systems around the world. Tokyo, Seoul, Bangkok, London, and Copenhagen are just some of the cities that have PSDs in at least some of their subway stations. PSDs are also often used with other forms of transportation, such as monorails, light rail systems, and airport transportation systems.

Task 2. Look at the following descriptions of some of the subway systems mentioned in the text (task 1). Match the cities (A-L) listed below with the descriptions of their subway systems. Write the appropriate letters, A-L, in boxes 17-20 on your Answer Sheet.

17 has a station celebrating a storybook character	K E	A Boston
18 is the busiest subway system in the world	L	B Paris
19 has lent its name to subway systems around the world	B	C Washington, DC
20 has the oldest subway system in the United States	A	D Sao Paulo
		E London
		F Tokyo
		G Seoul
		H Buenos Aires
		I Singapore
		J Budapest
		K Moscow
		L New York

USE OF ENGLISH

Time: 20 min.

Task 1. For items 21 – 25, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. **DO NOT CHANGE** the word given. **DO NOT USE SHORT FORMS.** The number of words you should write is specified in each sentence. Write down the needed words on your answer sheet.

The first example (0) is done for you.

Example: 0. I consider him my worst enemy. look I _____ my worst enemy. (4 words)
0. I look upon him as my worst enemy.

21. The poor harvest led to many families leaving the island for good. reason The poor harvest was _____ leaving the island for good. (5 words)

22. They would never make a decision so quickly again. minds Never again would they _____ so quickly. (4 words)

23. Jeremy usually plays football on Saturdays. habit Jeremy is _____ football on Saturdays. (5 words)

24. Bryan could not explain how the stolen computer got into his car. loss Bryan _____ to explain how the stolen computer got into his car. (4 words)

25. This film stands a very good chance of winning an award. highly It is _____ will win an award. (4 words)

Task 2. For items 26-35, solve the crossword using the definitions of the required word given in brackets. The first example (0) is done for you.

Example: 0. method GRADING Grading is a (0) ... (a particular way of doing something) widely used in schools today. Almost every school keeps a record of each student's (26) ... (things that somebody has done successfully, especially using their own efforts and skills) in order to have some basis for measuring his or her progress. The record (27) ... (provides for) information for reports to parents. Universities and colleges often use this information to help (28) ... (decide by choice of alternatives) whether they should admit a student. For a long time, the most (29) ... (occurring or appearing frequently) method of recording progress was by (30) ... (a part of a whole expressed in hundredths). The minimum grade for a pass is usually 70 per cent, and for (31) ... (typical, normal) work, about 80 per cent. Today, the letters A, B, C, D, E, and (32) ... (sometimes, but not often) F, are much more frequently used. A stands for (33) ... (outstanding) progress, while E and F mean failure. A few schools use no (34) ... (checking and correcting) system at all. Instead, each teacher writes a detailed letter to the parents. Such letters report student's progress, attitude, activities, and social (35) ... (a change in the way a person behaves or thinks).

WRITING

Time: 30 minutes

Your friend is seriously injured. This year he/she is going to study on-line. Express your opinion about distance learning and support your friend.

Write 120-180 words.

Use the following plan:

- make an introduction;
- describe advantages of studying on-line;
- describe disadvantages of distance learning;
- give advices how to organize the learning process properly;
- express hope for soon recovering;
- make a conclusion.

Transfer your recommendation to the answer sheet.

ANSWER SHEET

Participant's ID number

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LISTENING

1	A +
2	C +
3	A +
4	B +
5	C +
6	B +
7	A +
8	B +
9	A +
10	A +

READING

11	G +
12	B +
13	A +
14	B -
15	F +
16	D +
17	E +
18	L -
19	B +
20	A +

USE OF ENGLISH

21		30	percentage
22		31	
23		32	
24		33	
25		34	
26	achievements	35	
27	supplies	+	
28	determine	+	
29	common	+	

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