














The Big Challenge 2024

Level 5









1		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Much better today, thank you. • Looks very nice, thanks. • Yes, I'm going home later. • That was delicious.
2		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
3		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 07729 804 301 • 07292 048 311 • 02279 704 113 • 07229 804 311
4		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
5		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday the 5th of May • Thursday the 5th of June • Thursday the 3rd of June • Tuesday the 5th of July
6		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D




7		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
8		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leslie Ridesborough • Lesley Riseborough • Lesley Reysborough • Lesley Riseborough
9		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$613,000 • \$163,000 • \$16,300 • \$13,600
10		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
11		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It's Jason. • How do you know Jenny? • Thank you for inviting me. • It's been great meeting you. Bye.
12		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
13		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
14		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D





15		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • She is a twin. • She's an only child. • Emma is single. • Emma is unusual.
16		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
17		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We should all get together. • Let's try to get along. • Cool! Ask him to drop out. • We could all hang up?
18		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
19		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
20		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He's been dropped. • He's been let go. • He's been thrown out. • He's been sent off.
21		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
22		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It doesn't matter. • I'll ask the chef to heat it up. • I beg your pardon. • What a surprise!






23		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A boy broke a vase in a shop. • A dog knocked down an ornament. • An unwanted wedding gift was damaged. • The mum is annoyed with her clumsy son.
24		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hit the sack! • Spill the beans! • Don't beat around the bush! • Break a leg!
25		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A drone. • A car. • An electric scooter. • A hoverboard.
26		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emma didn't mind being kept waiting because Harry had a good excuse. • Harry made the situation even worse by bringing up his previous girlfriend. • Jake says there are lots of boys just like Harry out there. • Emma escaped the awkward date by hiding in the toilet.





27		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dahlia was among several people who were suggested as possible replacements. Another celebrity had agreed to appear at the awards ceremony, but withdrew at the last minute. Dahlia wants to get her costume ready in spite of Max's warning. If Max hadn't reassured her, Dahlia would have thought it was a prank.
28		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She noticed that Ethan has just appeared nearby. Rosie doesn't like Ethan; in fact she thinks he's a bad person. She wants to prevent Ollie from saying something cruel. Ollie has reminded her of something she else she wanted to say.
29		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> beard third word nerd
30		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> some, pitch, bad son, beach, badge song, peach, badge sun, peace, bridge
31		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> they inspect us arriving in fifteen minutes to be in the tour sweet factory

32		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prisoners • Children • Missionaries • Slaves
33		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harlem • Houston • New Jersey • Brooklyn
34	Granny's birthday party is meant to be a surprise! You say anything about it to her when you see her.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • don't have to • aren't • mustn't • need to
35	Could you call me when the delivery man here, please?		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • will be • gets • was • is arriving
36	If you to work instead of driving, you would save so much money.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • are walking • would take the bus • get the tram • cycled
37	"What a noise!" "Yes, our neighbour all morning. I hope he finishes soon."		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • is fixing his motorbike • plays the drums • has done DIY • has been cutting the grass
38	I know I the last cookie without asking you first but I was hungry!		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • shouldn't have eaten • ought to have eaten • had eaten • couldn't have eaten
39	By the time I school, my parents retired for about a year.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have left will have been • leave are going to be • have been at will be • graduated from have been

40	This article is about		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • someone who was rescued from a deserted island • an explorer who has discovered an unknown island • birds on an island off the British coast • a job available for a person to observe wildlife
41	Gough Island is		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • about 2,400 kilometres away from London • accessible by air but only once a year • a temporary home to a small group of scientists • very small and polluted
42	One negative thing about life on the island is		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • that you can only eat food that grows naturally in this habitat • you are cut off from all contact with the outside world for a year • the hot, humid climate during the annual rainy season • that all the fruit and vegetables you eat are frozen or canned

43	Find the sentence that doesn't match the information in the text.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seven people live on the island in addition to the new scientist. • The scientists don't want their presence to have a damaging effect on the wildlife. • Because of the bad weather, it's difficult to get supplies to the island. • Unless you can cope well with isolation, this isn't the job for you.
44	This extract is probably from a story.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • horror • fairy • science fiction • fantasy
45	In the story, the two boys		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • are in the woods at night • are searching for a missing family • are looking for a way out • expected to be swimming by now
46	We know that Joel		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • intentionally threw the map away • suggested that they go swimming • lied about knowing the way • wanted them to get lost

47	What do we know for certain about Durham Woods?		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They have a sinister reputation so no one ever goes inside. • A local legend says that a supernatural force is present there. • A family and all their belongings disappeared from the woods. • Ted never believed the witch stories when he was growing up.
48	Find the sentence that is NOT true.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joel went along with Ted's plans despite his own fears. • When Joel tells Ted about the witch, Ted doubts it is true. • The boys are surprised by an animal noise. • If Ted had lived there longer, he would've already known about the witch.
49	The United States is the country with the highest number of English speakers. The country with the second highest number is		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the United Kingdom • Nigeria • India • China
50	Rosa Park is an important figure in the United States. She is well known for her influential actions in the movement during the 1960s.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • civil rights • women's liberation • counterculture • anti-Vietnam war
51	In 1773 Americans rebelled against British rule by throwing in Boston Harbor, an act that led towards the American War of Independence.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • spice • tea • cloth • sugar

52	Which of these is a popular English idiom meaning that something has no chance of happening?		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When dogs talk. • When pigs fly. • When sheep lay eggs. • When birds grow teeth.
53	Find the two missing words: fail/succeed, heat/cool, grow/....., break/..... .		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • shrink mend • gain fix • sink repair • decrease close
54	Which phrase can't complete the sentence: "Alex his own way at home and at school. I wonder how he'll cope in his first job?"		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • gets used to having • is used to having • has been used to getting • always used to get
55	Four US states border Mexico. Find the one that does NOT.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Texas • Arizona • California • Nevada