The Big Challenge 2024

Answer key / Correction

Level 5

1 **Look, and listen to the nurse. What can the patient, Mr Brown, say next?**

♪ AUDIO

- Much better today, thank you.
- **Looks very nice, thanks.** ✓
- Yes, I'm going home later.
- That was delicious.

2 **Listen to the woman. Which man is she describing?**

♪ AUDIO

- A
- **B** ✓
- C
- D

3 **Look and listen. What phone number does the man give when reserving a table in a restaurant?**

♪ AUDIO

- 07729 804 301
- 07292 048 311
- 02279 704 113
- **07229 804 311** ✓

4 **Listen to the woman. She is in one of these pictures. Which one?**

♪ AUDIO

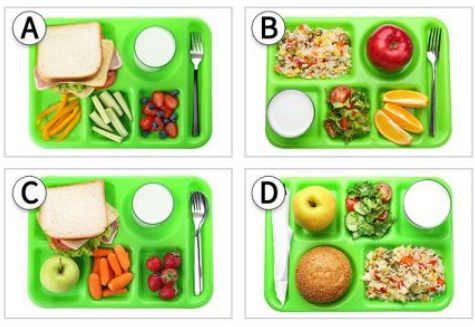
- A
- B
- C
- **D** ✓

5 **Look at the picture and listen. When is Baxter's birthday?**

♪ AUDIO

- Tuesday the 5th of May
- **Thursday the 5th of June** ✓
- Thursday the 3rd of June
- Tuesday the 5th of July

6 **Look and listen to two friends in the school canteen. What does the boy have for lunch? Find the right picture.**



♪ AUDIO

- A
- B
- C
- **D** ✓

7 **Look and listen to the girl. Which picture is she talking about?**

♪ AUDIO

- A
- B
- **C** ✓
- D

8 **Look and listen. A doctor is speaking on the phone with a new patient. What's the patient's name?**

♪ AUDIO

- Leslie Ridesborough
- Lesley Risebourgh
- Lesley Reysborogh
- **Lesley Riseborough** ✓

9 **Look and listen to the auctioneer. How much is the painting sold for?**

♪ AUDIO

- $613,000
- $163,000
- $16,300
- **$13,600** ✓

10 **Look and listen to the man. He is describing his job. Which picture is he in?**

♪ AUDIO

- A
- B
- C
- **D** ✓

11 **Look and listen. The young man, Jason, is being introduced to some people by his girlfriend, Jenny. What can Jason say now?**

♪ AUDIO

- It’s Jason.
- How do you know Jenny?
- **Thank you for inviting me.** ✓
- It’s been great meeting you. Bye.

12 **Look at the paintings and listen to the description. Which painting is the speaker talking about?**

♪ AUDIO

- **A** ✓
- B
- C
- D

13 **Look at the photos and listen to the woman. Which photo is she in?**

♪ AUDIO

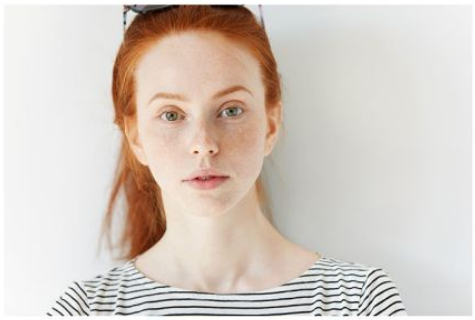
- A
- **B** ✓
- C
- D

14 **Look, and listen to the man. He is in one of the photos. Which one?**

♪ AUDIO

- A
- B
- C
- **D** ✓

15 **This is Emma. Listen to what she says, then choose the correct statement about her.**



♪ AUDIO

- She is a twin.
- **She’s an only child.** ✓
- Emma is single.
- Emma is unusual.

16 **Look, listen and find the right picture.**

♪ AUDIO

- **A** ✓
- B
- C
- D

17 **Look and listen. Ryan and Ellie are talking. What can Ellie say next?**

♪ AUDIO

- **We should all get together.** ✓
- Let’s try to get along.
- Cool! Ask him to drop out.
- We could all hang up?

18 **Look at these pictures from a TV show. Listen and find the right picture.**

♪ AUDIO

- A
- B
- C
- **D** ✓

19 **Look and listen to the man. What activity is he talking about? Find the right picture.**

♪ AUDIO

- A
- B
- **C** ✓
- D

20 **Look and listen. What has happened to Derek?**

♪ AUDIO

- He’s been dropped.
- **He’s been let go.** ✓
- He’s been thrown out.
- He’s been sent off.

21 **Listen to Ava. She uses an expression to describe her grandad. Which photo fits the description?**

♪ AUDIO

- A
- **B** ✓
- C
- D

22 **Listen to the conversation in a restaurant between a customer and a waitress. What can the waitress say now?**

♪ AUDIO

- It doesn’t matter.
- I’ll ask the chef to heat it up.
- **I beg your pardon.** ✓
- What a surprise!

23 **Listen to the conversation between a mum and her son. What has happened?**

♪ AUDIO

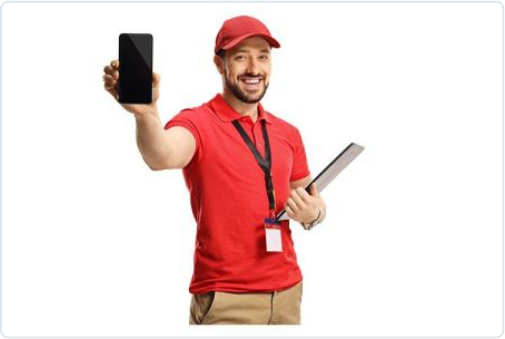
- A boy broke a vase in a shop.
- A dog knocked down an ornament.
- **An unwanted wedding gift was damaged.** ✓
- The mum is annoyed with her clumsy son.

24 **Listen to the conversation between a dad and his daughter. What can the dad say at the end of it?**

♪ AUDIO

- Hit the sack!
- Spill the beans!
- Don’t beat around the bush!
- **Break a leg!** ✓

25 **Listen to the salesperson. What product is he describing?**



♪ AUDIO

A drone.

A car.

An electric scooter. ✓

A hoverboard.

26 **Listen to Emma and her brother Jake. Choose the sentence that is correct.**

♪ AUDIO

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 **Listen to the conversation a pop star, Dahlia, and her manager, Max. Which of the statements is NOT true?**

♪ AUDIO

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 **Listen to the conversation between two schoolfriends, Rose and Ollie. What does Rose mean at the end of the conversation?**

♪ AUDIO

- **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 **Listen. Find the word that doesn't rhyme with the word you hear.**

♪ AUDIO

- **beard** ✓
- third
- word
- nerd

30 **Listen and find the list of words that you hear.**

♪ AUDIO

- some, pitch, bad
- son, beach, badge
- **song, peach, badge** ✓
- sun, peace, bridge

31 **Listen. Which group of words can you hear?**

♪ AUDIO

- they inspect us
- arriving in fifteen minutes
- to be in the tour
- **sweet factory** ✓

32 **Listen and answer the question.**

♪ AUDIO

- **Prisoners** ✓
- Children
- Missionaries
- Slaves

33 **Listen and answer the question.**

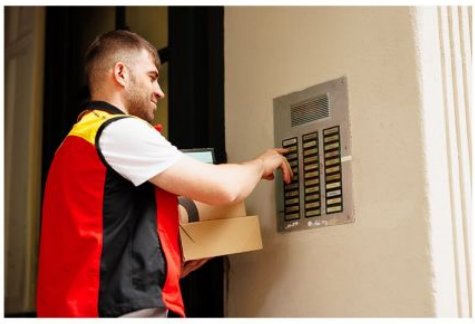
♪ AUDIO

- 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.

- don't have to
- aren't
- **mustn't** ✓
- need to

35 Could you call me when the delivery man ..... here, please?



- will be
- **gets** ✓
- was
- is arriving

36 If you ..... to work instead of driving, you would save so much money.

- are walking
- would take the bus
- get the tram
- **cycled** ✓

37 “What a noise!” “Yes, our neighbour ..... all morning. I hope he finishes soon.”

- is fixing his motorbike
- plays the drums
- has done DIY
- **has been cutting the grass** ✓

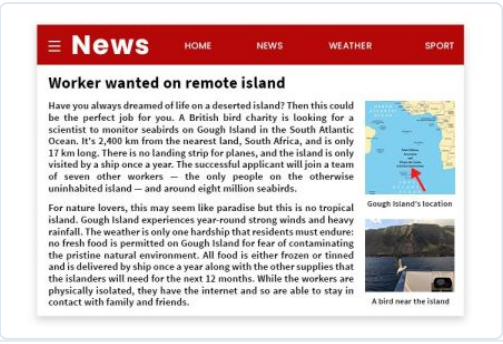
38 I know I ..... the last cookie without asking you first but I was hungry!

- **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.

- **have left ..... will have been** ✓
- leave ..... are going to be
- have been at ..... will be
- graduated from ..... have been

40 This article is about ..... .



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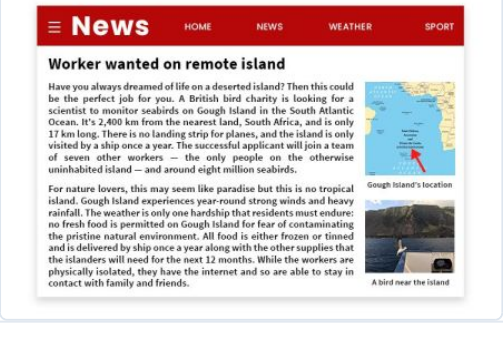
A bird near the island

- 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 ..... .



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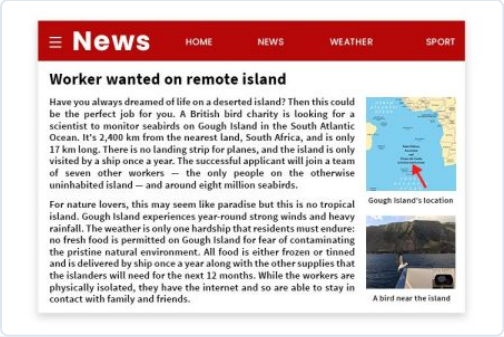
A bird near the island

- 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 ..... .

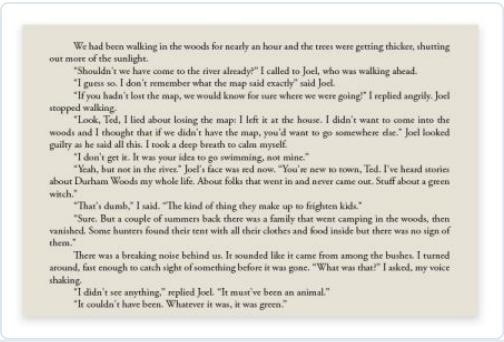


- that you can only eat food that grows naturally in this habitat
- you are cut off from all contact with the outside world for a year
- the hot, humid climate during the annual rainy season
- **that all the fruit and vegetables you eat are frozen or canned** ✓

43 Find the sentence that doesn't match the information in the text.

- 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.



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"Shouldn't we have come to the river already?" I called to Joel, who was walking ahead.

"I guess so. I don't remember what the map said exactly" said Joel.

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There was a breaking noise behind us. It sounded like it came from among the bushes. I turned around, fast enough to catch sight of something before it was gone. "What was that?" I asked, my voice shaking.

"I didn't see anything," replied Joel. "It must've been an animal."

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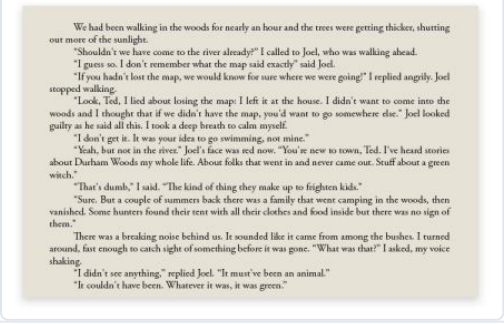
- **horror** ✓
- fairy
- science fiction
- fantasy

45 In the story, the two boys ..... .



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- 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 ..... .

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- 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?

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- 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.

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- 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 ..... .

- the United Kingdom
- Nigeria
- **India** ✓
- China

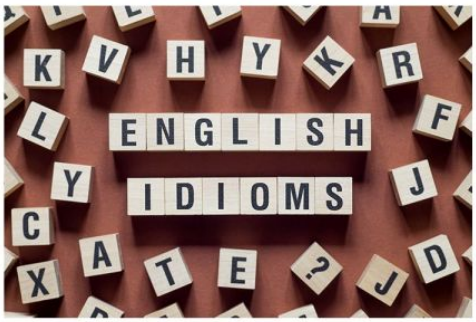
50 Rosa Park is an important figure in the United States. She is well known for her influential actions in the ..... movement during the 1960s.

- **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.

- spice
- **tea** ✓
- cloth
- sugar

52 Which of these is a popular English idiom meaning that something has no chance of happening?



- 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/..... .

- **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?”

- **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.

- Texas
- Arizona
- California
- **Nevada** ✓