












# The Big Challenge 2024

## Level 5









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




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





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

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






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





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

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

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



47	What do we know for certain about Durham Woods?		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• They have a sinister reputation so no one ever goes inside.</li> <li>• <b>A local legend says that a supernatural force is present there.</b></li> <li>• A family and all their belongings disappeared from the woods.</li> <li>• Ted never believed the witch stories when he was growing up.</li> </ul>
48	Find the sentence that is NOT true.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joel went along with Ted's plans despite his own fears.</li> <li>• When Joel tells Ted about the witch, Ted doubts it is true.</li> <li>• <b>The boys are surprised by an animal noise.</b></li> <li>• If Ted had lived there longer, he would've already known about the witch.</li> </ul>
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"> <li>• the United Kingdom</li> <li>• Nigeria</li> <li>• <b>India</b></li> <li>• China</li> </ul>
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"> <li>• <b>civil rights</b></li> <li>• women's liberation</li> <li>• counterculture</li> <li>• anti-Vietnam war</li> </ul>
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"> <li>• spice</li> <li>• <b>tea</b></li> <li>• cloth</li> <li>• sugar</li> </ul>

52	Which of these is a popular English idiom meaning that something has no chance of happening?		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When dogs talk.</li> <li>• <b>When pigs fly.</b></li> <li>• When sheep lay eggs.</li> <li>• When birds grow teeth.</li> </ul>
53	Find the two missing words: fail/succeed, heat/cool, grow/....., break/..... .		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>shrink ..... mend</b></li> <li>• gain ..... fix</li> <li>• sink ..... repair</li> <li>• decrease ..... close</li> </ul>
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"> <li>• <b>gets used to having</b></li> <li>• is used to having</li> <li>• has been used to getting</li> <li>• always used to get</li> </ul>
55	Four US states border Mexico. Find the one that does NOT.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Texas</li> <li>• Arizona</li> <li>• California</li> <li>• <b>Nevada</b></li> </ul>