The Big Challenge 2025

Level 5

Answer key / Correction

1 **Look and listen. What's the man's name?**

♪ AUDIO

- Loyd.
- Lloid.
- **Lloyd.** ✓
- Woyd.

2 **Look, and listen to the man. Which woman is he describing?**

♪ AUDIO

- **A** ✓
- B
- C
- D

3 **Look, and listen to the woman. She is in one of these pictures. Which one?**

♪ AUDIO

- A
- B
- **C** ✓
- D

4 **Look, listen to the doctor and find the patient's response.**

♪ AUDIO

- I hope not.
- Yes, go ahead.
- **Just a bit.** ✓
- Do you think so?

5 **Listen to the boy. He's answering a question. What was the question?**

♪ AUDIO

- **How old is your brother?** ✓
- How many people will be there?
- What time is it?
- When are you going to London?

6 **Look and listen. Which object is being described?**

♪ AUDIO

- A radio.
- A pineapple.
- A bottle.
- **A pair of sunglasses.** ✓

7 **Two people are talking on the phone. Listen. What is the woman going to say next?**

♪ AUDIO

- **I'll call you back.** ✓
- I'll have to take their call.
- Don't speak to me.
- I can't hang up.

8 **Look and listen. Which man is the woman talking about?**

♪ AUDIO

- A
- **B** ✓
- C
- D

9 **Listen. How much did it cost to fill up this car with petrol?**

♪ AUDIO

- £130.49
- **£113.49** ✓
- £113.09
- £130.99

10 **Listen and find the answer to the question.**

♪ AUDIO

- **23rd July** ✓
- 30th July
- 18th July
- 24th July

11 **Look, and listen to the conversation in a restaurant. What is the woman ordering? Find the right picture.**

♪ AUDIO

- A
- **B** ✓
- C
- D

12 **Look at the sculptures, and listen to the description. Which sculpture is the man talking about?**

♪ AUDIO

- A
- **B** ✓
- C
- D

13 **Listen to Alice. She's on a date with James. What can James say now?**

♪ AUDIO

- I'm sure I will.
- Yes, thank you for inviting me.
- **You're welcome. See you soon.** ✓
- Never mind.

14 **Look and listen. Which picture is the man talking about?**

♪ AUDIO

- A
- B
- **C** ✓
- D

15 **Lily is talking to her classmate, Max, about a new teacher. Listen. Lily agrees with Max, so what can she say next?**

♪ AUDIO

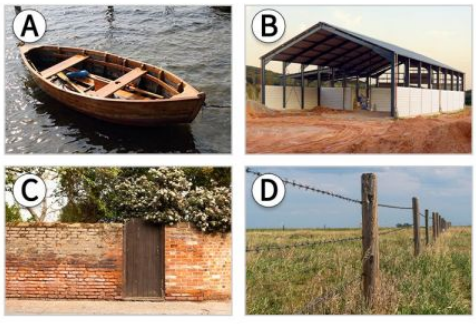
- Me too.
- **Neither did I.** ✓
- Nor do I.
- So do I.

16 **Listen, and answer the question.**

♪ AUDIO

- **Best wishes.** ✓
- Lots of fun.
- With sympathy.
- Enjoy your trip.

17 **Look, listen, and find the object that is being described.**



♪ AUDIO

- A
- B
- C
- **D** ✓

18 **Look, and listen to the woman. Which man is she talking about?**

♪ AUDIO

- A
- B
- **C** ✓
- D

19 **Listen to the man. Which picture is he in?**

♪ AUDIO

- A
- **B** ✓
- C
- D

20 **This is Jimmy. Listen to him. What can you say about his situation?**

♪ AUDIO

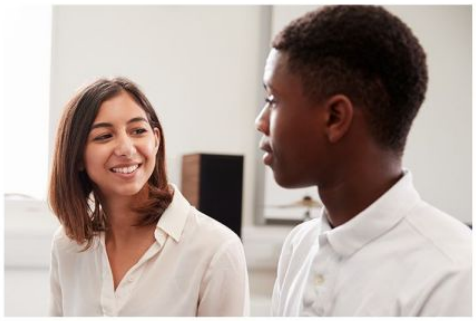
- **He works nights in a factory.** ✓
- He doesn't earn as much as he used to.
- He goes out with friends every night.
- When he changed job, it was easy to adapt.

21 **Listen to Paul. He's talking to Sarah. What can you say about the situation?**

♪ AUDIO

- Sarah is trying to persuade Paul to do something.
- Paul is changing his mind because of something Sarah has said.
- **Paul thinks Sarah isn't telling the truth, as a joke.** ✓
- Paul thinks Sarah is trying to humiliate him.

22 **Listen to the conversation. According to the woman, what does the boy need to do?**



♪ AUDIO

To repeat.

To practise. ✓

To exercise.

To relax.

23 **Listen. What can you say about the girl?**

♪ AUDIO

She doesn't understand why it's a good idea to watch CNN. ✓

She can't get CNN on her television or computer.

She has problems understanding CNN.

She doesn't have time to watch CNN.

24 **Listen to Mr and Mrs Smith talking about a problem. Which statement is true?**

♪ AUDIO

Mr Smith has created an awkward situation with a neighbour by not telling the truth. ✓

A neighbour broke Mr Smith’s lawnmower so now he can’t cut the grass.

Mr Smith borrowed Mr Brown’s lawnmower and damaged it while cutting his grass.

Mr Smith never lends his things and always lies when asked.

25 **Listen to the conversation. What's the situation?**

♪ AUDIO

The man thinks that the woman is about to do something dangerous.

The woman is going to do something because she has no other option.

The man is persuading the woman to do something she doesn't want to.

The woman is determined to do something that scares her. ✓

26 **Listen to a police sergeant talking to his inspector. What can you say about Tom?**

♪ AUDIO

Tom isn't obeying the sergeant's orders because he will soon be a sergeant himself.

Tom doesn't go to the gym often enough and he's getting fat.

Tom can't do his job properly because he's getting old. ✓

Tom will soon be leaving the police force because he's not very good at his job.

27 **Listen to a couple who have their own small business. What can you say about their financial situation?**

♪ AUDIO

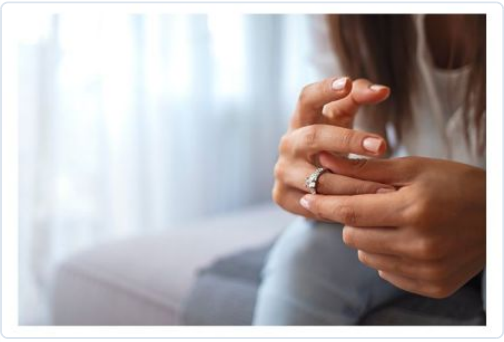
They're not going to make ends meet.

They're going to be in the red.

They're going to break even. ✓

They're not going to break the bank.

28 **Helen has just got engaged to Paul. She's talking to her father. Listen and find the sentence that is definitely true.**



♪ AUDIO

- **Helen is having second thoughts about the engagement.** ✓
- Helen feels the same about Paul as she does about her brother.
- Helen is head over heels in love with Paul.
- Helen knows that she and Paul are perfectly matched.

29 **Listen and find the word that rhymes with the word you hear.**

♪ AUDIO

- **bury** ✓
- curry
- furry
- diary

30 **Listen. Which words can you hear in the sentence?**

♪ AUDIO

- fires, cannot, write
- fires, own, red
- **files, read, right** ✓
- files, only, write

31 **Listen. Which of these words does not contain the same vowel sound as the one in the word you hear.**

♪ AUDIO

- **thorough** ✓
- volley
- chaos
- yacht

32 **Listen, and find the answer to the question.**

♪ AUDIO

- The third Monday of January.
- The fourth of July.
- The first Monday of October.
- **The fourth Thursday of November.** ✓

33 **Listen, and find the answer to the question.**

♪ AUDIO

- Guinevere.
- **Marian.** ✓
- Lara.
- Rosalind.

34 We won't be able to start the match unless it ... raining.

- **stops** ✓
- will stop
- isn't
- wasn't

35 The man said “Hello” to Kate, but she had no idea ... .

- what was his name
- how did he know her
- where did he come from
- **who he was** ✓

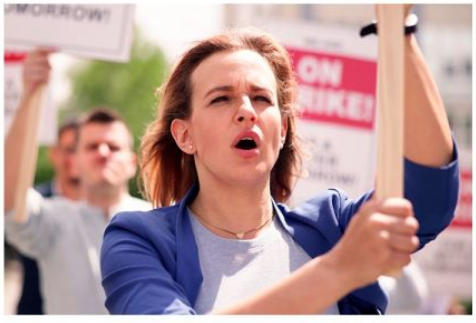
36 If Susie put more effort into her job, her boss ... her.

- will probably promote
- can think about promoting
- **would promote** ✓
- was promoting

37 The man fired at the policeman and ... him. Fortunately, he missed.

- **could have killed** ✓
- will surely kill
- might kill
- would like to kill

38 A union representative said, “We ... with management since yesterday, but we haven't reached any agreement yet.”

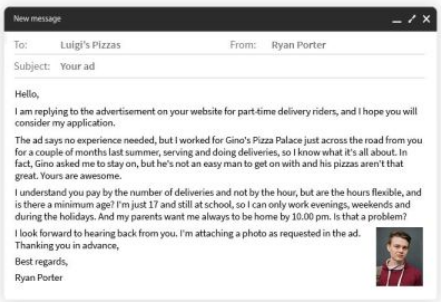


- **have been negotiating** ✓
- have talked
- are discussing
- were having a meeting

39 Once they … a vaccine, it … long to produce it.

- will find … won't take them
- had found … wouldn't take
- find … won't be
- **have found … won't take** ✓

40 We know from Ryan's email that Luigi … .



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I understand you pay by the number of deliveries and not by the hour, but are the hours flexible, and is there a minimum age? I'm just 17 and still at school, so I can only work evenings, weekends and during the holidays. And my parents want me always to be home by 10.00 pm. Is that a problem?

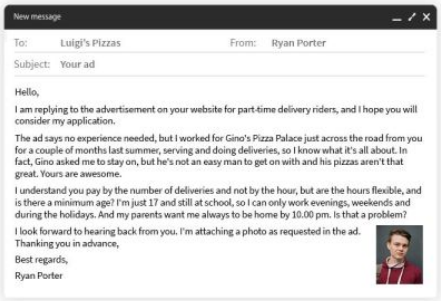
I look forward to hearing back from you. I'm attaching a photo as requested in the ad.
Thanking you in advance,

Best regards,

Ryan Porter

- **needs riders who can work part-time** ✓
- wants riders who can work every day
- pays his riders more than Gino does
- doesn't have any delivery riders

41 We know that Ryan wants to … .



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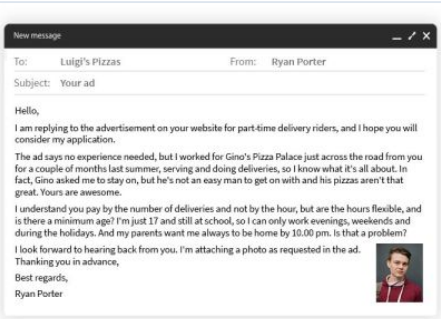
- leave school and work for Luigi
- stop working for Gino
- **earn some money while he's still at school** ✓
- only work during the school holidays

42 Find the true sentence, according to the information in the email.



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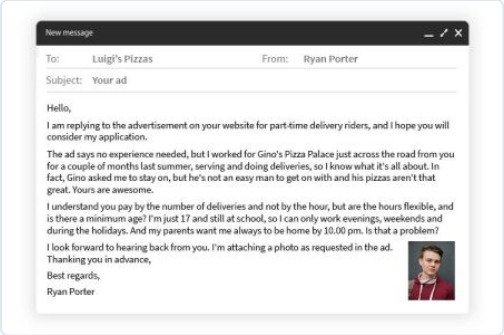
- The job advertisement didn't say anything about pay.
- The hours are the only thing that might stop Ryan from getting the job.
- Ryan is applying for the same job as he did for Gino.
- **Ryan can work any evening of the week, but not after 10.00 pm.** ✓

43 Find the sentence about Gino that definitely ISN'T true.



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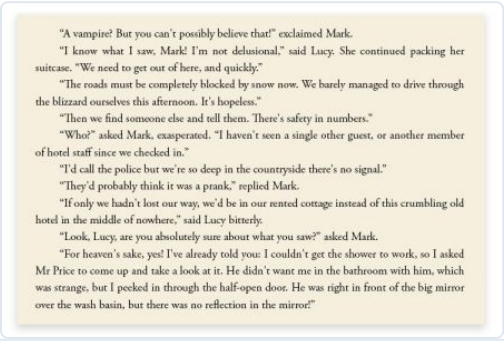
- He and Luigi are in direct competition for trade.
- Not everyone thinks his pizzas are the best in town.
- **He doesn't consider that Ryan's worth having as a rider.** ✓
- As a boss, he can be short-tempered at times.

44 What sort of book does this extract come from?



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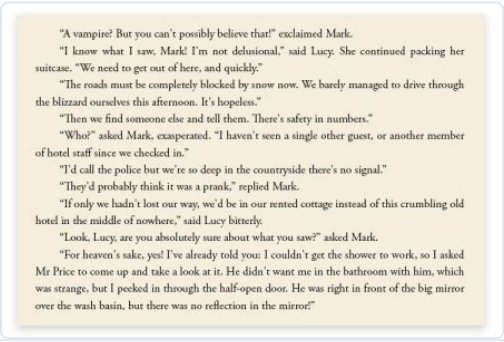
- A sci-fi adventure.
- A romantic novel.
- **A horror story.** ✓
- A historical biography.

45 In the story, we know that Mark and Lucy ... .



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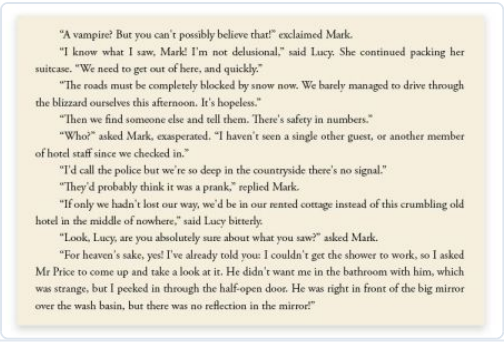
- are in a haunted castle
- **aren't where they intended to be** ✓
- have checked in to a luxury hotel
- are in a creepy cottage

46 Lucy describes an incident. Which sentence matches what she says?



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- The shower water was cold so she asked Mr Price to fix it.
- Mr Price was reluctant to help Lucy when she asked.
- **Lucy saw something that Mr Price tried to hide from her.** ✓
- She was in the bathroom with Mr Price and saw he had no reflection.

47 Find the true sentence.

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- They got lost in the snow so it took them ages to find their hotel.
- Lucy and Mark are trying to leave but Mr Price has trapped them.
- **The couple have yet to spend a night in the hotel.** ✓
- Lucy has tried phoning the police but can't get through.

48 Find the sentence that ISN'T true.

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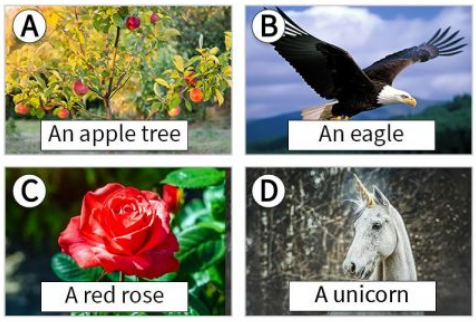
- Mark says that if they told the police, they would think it was a joke.
- **They can't get to the nearby city because of heavy snow.** ✓
- Aside from Mr Price, Mark believes that he and Lucy are alone.
- Lucy is convinced by what she saw but Mark is less easily persuaded.

49 Which of these is one of the national emblems of England?



- A
- B
- **C** ✓
- D

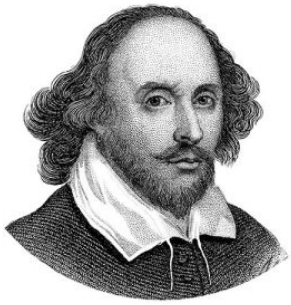
50 Find the list of three major US cities that are NOT all in the same state.

- Dallas, Houston, Austin
- Miami, Palm Springs, Orlando
- Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Diego
- **Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Boston** ✓

51 The people who … are called Native Americans.

- were all slaves before the American Civil War
- were the first Europeans to colonise America
- **lived in America before the Europeans arrived** ✓
- wanted America to be independent from Britain

52 Which famous character from a Shakespeare play says “To be or not to be, that is the question”?



- Romeo.
- Juliet.
- **Hamlet.** ✓
- King Lear.

53 If you are “at … ,” it means you have nothing specific to do, or don't know what to do.

- sixes and sevens
- **a loose end** ✓
- a turning point
- the end of your tether

54 In the USA, it is illegal to walk across a street when the traffic lights are against you. This is called … .

- road hogging
- cross-stitching
- carjacking
- **jaywalking** ✓

55 Students and workers were the main driving force behind a popular up… that caused the fall of the government.

- turn
- roar
- **rising** ✓
- thrust