



Practice Test 85

In the Listening Test 85, you will hear 4 audio recordings and answer questions 1-40 based on the recordings.

Section 1 is a conversation between a student and an accommodation officer.

Section 2 is a presentation called 'countdown to departure'.

Section 3 is a conversation between a student and a tutor.

Section 4 is a monologue on preparing students for their professional and career.

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Section 1

Questions 1-10

Questions 1-4

Complete the following sentences using **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS AND/OR NUMBERS** for each.

1 Martina Bila's appointment with the accommodation officer is at _____.

2 Martina's current accommodation is _____ from the university than she expected.

3 The landlady is a _____.

4 The _____ to the university isn't good.

Questions 5-7



Choose the correct answer, **A, B, C** or **D**. Write answers next to **5-7** on your answer sheet.

5 Martina is looking for

- A catered accommodation.
- B self-catering accommodation.
- C a place with a landlady.
- D catered or self-catered university accommodation.

6 The accommodation officer received details of some accommodation

- A the day before Martina made the appointment.
- B the day Martina made the appointment.
- C the day after Martina made the appointment.
- D the day before he met Martina.

7 When does the accommodation officer think other accommodation will be available?

- A In the next few days.
- B In the next few weeks.
- C Not for a long while.
- D He doesn't know.

Questions 8-10

Answer the following questions using **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS AND/OR NUMBERS** for each.

- 8 How much do students pay for catered accommodation during term time?
- 9 What nationality are Martina's new flatmates?
- 10 What will Martina lose?



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Section 2

Questions 11-20

Questions 11-12

Answer the following questions using **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS** for each answer.

11 What is the title of the series of presentations that David Price will make?

12 What item has David Price given to each student?

Questions 13-14

You may write your answers in any order. Choose from the following list:

Decide which TWO things David Price recommends doing 1 year before going abroad.

- A apply for scholarships
- B consult tutor about the current course
- C make a precise budget for your studies abroad
- D think about how you will pay your fees
- E book accommodation
- F pay your fees to the foreign university

Questions 15-16

You may write your answers in any order. Choose from the following list:

Decide which TWO things David Price recommends doing 6 months before going abroad.

- A get a new passport
- B revalidate your passport
- C ensure your passport is valid for at least six months
- D get a visa for the country you are going to
- E ensure your passport is full
- F make sure your passport has some empty pages

Questions 17-18

You may write your answers in any order. Choose from the following list:

Decide which TWO things David Price recommends doing 2 or 3 months before going abroad.

- A transfer money abroad
- B get a plane ticket if costs are reasonable or low
- C check how much luggage you can take



D check if flights arrive on time

E book accommodation

F make sure you have a conditional university offer

Questions 19-20

Complete the following summary of what students should do about health issues using **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS** for each answer.

One month before leaving find out if you can get **19** _____ where you are going to.

Two weeks before you leave ask your doctor to **20** _____ giving reasons for any medicines you are taking with you.

Section 3

Questions 21-23

Answer the following questions using **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS** for each answer.

21 What was the student surprised to discover he had a lot of?

22 What does the student need to learn the fundamentals of?

23 On what basis should the student prepare his schedules?

Questions 24-26

Complete the following notes using only **ONE** word for each gap.

Professor's suggestions: • make a plan for your studies

• make a plan for your free time

24 _____ plans if necessary see how much time you need for activities as you **25** _____ with you studies keep schedules balanced and **26** _____

Questions 27-30

Choose the correct answer, **A, B, C** or **D**. Write answers next to **27-30** on your answer sheet.



27 The professor points out that the university language center

A would certainly be useful for the student.

B is likely to be useful for the student

C is available for students.

D has a wide range of materials.

28 The professor suggests that the student-

A join the support group for students on his course.

B join the support group for students from his country.

C identify problems that people from his country have in Britain.

D create a support group.

29 The student says that

A he doesn't know anyone on his course.

B he doesn't know the overseas students on his course.

C there are no people from his country on his course.

D there are few overseas students on his course.

30 The International Student Advisor recommended a book

A but didn't say the title clearly.

B but couldn't remember the title.

C for all students.

D for overseas students.

Section 4

Questions 31-40

Question 31-34



Complete the following sentences using **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS** for each answer.

31 Students whose previous educational experience was _____ often find it hard to become independent learners.

32 A student or staff member might become a _____ to a student working independently.

33 Study trips provide opportunities for independent students to learn off _____

34 The ELC is used by students on a _____ basis.

Questions 35-37

Complete the notes concerning the example of Mary and Jim using **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS** for each answer.

talk to the English tutor at the ELC

35 _____ materials

decide which materials to use first and how

discuss problems, 36 _____ and evaluate each other

review using notes

decide if 37 _____ has been achieved

continue with the topic or move to another

Question 38

Decide which of the following can be used by independent learners. Write all the correct letters in any order.

A tapes

B computer programs

C letters

D discussions with native speakers



E newspapers and magazines

Questions 39-40

Decide which of the following places independent learners can learn at. Write both the correct letters in either order.

A libraries

B the International Student Affairs Office

C museums

D shops

E cafes

Answers

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Section 1

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| 1 | ten/10 o'clock |
| 2 | further |
| 3 | heavy smoker |
| 4 | bus connection |
| 5 | D |
| 6 | C |
| 7 | D |
| 8 | £37.50 |
| 9 | British (and) Indian |
| 10 | (her) deposit |

Section 2

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| 11 | Countdown to Departure |
| 12 | (a) guide |

13	A, D (in either order)
14	A, D (in either order)
15	D, F (in either order)
16	D, F (in either order)
17	B, C (in either order)
18	B, C (in either order)
19	free health treatment
20	write a letter

Section 3

21	free time
22	time management
23	weekly or monthly
24	revise
25	progress
26	realistic
27	C
28	D
29	D
30	C

Section 4

31	teacher focused
32	(personal) mentor
33	(the) campus
34	self-access
35	identify suitable
36	compare notes
37	initial aim
38	B, C, E (in any order)
39	A, B (in any order)
40	A, B (in any order)

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