

Reading

Part 1

Read the text. In each question, choose the right answer A, B, C or D.

The Magical Book

Katie and Peter were walking around a flea market looking for second-hand furniture. They had just moved into a flat in the city and although they were both working, neither of them earned much money and so they had very little spare cash once their bills were paid.

Katie spotted a small bookcase with a price tag of £20. She thought it would be great for her collection of romantic novels. She bought it and the old man behind the stall gave her an old book as a gift. She thanked him even though she didn't think she would read it as she didn't recognize the title, 'The Poor Man's Friend.' They got back to their flat and put the bookcase in place, then Katie sat flicking through the pages of the old book. Peter was looking in the kitchen cupboards and making suggestions for what they could eat for dinner. "I wish we could order a pizza," said Katie, but she knew it was a luxury they couldn't afford. They always cooked cheap simple meals at home and they never ate out. Just then a small piece of paper fell out of the book. She picked it up and saw that it was a crumpled £20 note. "Wow! What good luck!" she said. They ordered a big pizza with all the toppings and rented a DVD, too. They had a great night.

A few days later, when Katie was home alone ironing the clothes, the iron suddenly stopped working. She knew they couldn't buy a new one until they got paid at the end of the month. She felt anxious at the thought of going to work in creased clothes. She sat down and let out a heavy sigh.

She glanced over and saw the old book on the shelf. 'Wouldn't it be great if there was more money hidden in the pages of that book?' she thought to herself. She picked the book up and shook it, not really expecting anything other than dust to fall out, and to her amazement a folded banknote fell to the floor.

1 Why didn't Katie and Peter have much money?

- A They had spent it all on second-hand furniture.
- B Their bills were high.
- C They had just bought a new flat.
- D Their wages were low.

2 Why did Katie take the book?

- A She wanted to read it.
- B It was a present.
- C She recognised the title.
- D She didn't have any books.

3 Why did Katie want to order a pizza?

- A She couldn't cook.
- B It was a cheap meal.
- C She wanted a treat.
- D She didn't want to eat out.

4 Katie was upset when the iron broke because

- A it was an expected expense.
- B she was alone when it happened.
- C she didn't want to look untidy at work.
- D she had just paid for a new one.

5 In the story, the money falls out of the book when

- A Katie is upset. C Katie wishes for it.
- B Katie is hungry. D Katie and Peter are together.



Language & Grammar Review

Choose the correct answer.

- 1 Hannah didn't turn at the party until 9 o'clock.
A down B over C up
- 2 Mike is so He only cares about himself!
A lazy B rude C selfish
- 3 Spanish for a long time?
A Do you study B You studied
C Have you been studying
- 4 Chile was great, but I my family.
A missed B lost C left
- 5 A: Sorry, we made so much noise last night.
B:
A I understand. B Don't worry about it.
C I didn't realise it was bothering anyone.
- 6 Brian is a really person. He never seems to be in a bad mood.
A patient B cheerful C honest
- 7 You aren't wearing a coat. You be really cold!
A can B must C may
- 8 Exercise increases heart
A muscle B flow C rate
- 9 James last year in Brazil.
A spent B has spent
C has been spending
- 10 Pete dusted his bedroom and now he can't stop!
A sneezing B snoring C blushing
- 11 I since this morning. I'm really hungry.
A haven't eaten B didn't eat
C haven't been eating
- 12 Kate her sister while her parents are at work.
A gives up B takes care C looks after
- 13 Can you turn the TV? No one is watching it.
A up B off C after
- 14 Sara be from Mexico, but I'm not sure.
A can B must C may
- 15 A smile is a sign of friendliness in the USA.
A long B high C wide
- 16 Jack around the world since January.
A has been travelling B travelled
C travels
- 17 Sam was when Sally took his iPod without asking. He really shouted at her!
A furious B demanding C passionate
- 18 Greet an American with a handshake.
A heavy B hard C firm
- 19 He has difficulty understanding social
A etiquette B behaviour C culture
- 20 Mr Smith next door his dog bark all night!
A lets B allows C leaves
- 21 Sam is always late. it gets my nerves.
A to B on C at
- 22 The tomatoes have gone bad. Throw them
A down B away C over
- 23 The service at that restaurant is second
A standard B rate C grade
- 24 Thinking of studying abroad? Go it!
A for B to C at
- 25 Sarah is a(n) person. She's sure of herself.
A outgoing B self-confident
C generous
- 26 Mary can't stand to country music.
A listen B to listen C listening
- 27 You be hungry again, Paul! You just had dinner.
A can't B mustn't C may not
- 28 My soup was cold so I to the waiter.
A complained B behaved C shouted
- 29 She seems a great time at the party.
A having B to have C to be having
- 30 They're tired. They all day.
A garden B gardened
C have been gardening

Notions & Functions

Choose the correct response.

- 1 A: Could I talk to you for a minute?
B: a I understand.
b Sure.
- 2 A: Have you changed something?
B: a Yes I got a new haircut.
b I didn't recognise you.
- 3 A: We haven't met before; I'm David Brown.
B: a I'm sorry about that.
b Pleased to meet you.
- 4 A: I'm afraid I have a complaint.
B: a I didn't know it was a problem.
b What is it?
- 5 A: You look nice!
B: a Thank you!
b That's OK.
- 6 A: What's she like?
B: a She's very polite, but quite shy.
b She looks great.
- 7 A: Your dog has been barking all day.
B: a I'm sorry about that.
b Don't worry.
- 8 A: I'll make sure it doesn't happen again.
B: a You're welcome.
b Thanks, that would be great.
- 9 A: What does your friend Bill look like?
B: a He's cheerful and fun to be with.
b He's tall and slim.
- 10 A: You look different!
B: a Yes, I've lost some weight.
b It won't happen again.