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LISTENING CLASA A IX-A
VARIANTA 3

Part 1

You will hear people talking in eight different situations. For questions 1-8, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

- 1) You hear a TV quiz show host introducing a contestant called Julia. Which subject will Julia answer questions on?
A history
B sport
C geography
- 2) You hear a telephone weather forecast for tomorrow. What will you probably wear?
A a T-shirt and shorts
B a raincoat and hat
C a warm coat, gloves and scarf
- 3) You hear a news item on the radio about a painting by Titian. What has happened to the painting?
A It has been lost.
B It has been stolen.
C It has been found.
- 4) You are in an airport departure lounge, waiting for your flight to New York, when you hear an announcement. Where should you go?
A to the exit
B to Gate 20
C to Hospitality Suite B
- 5) You hear a man and a woman talking. How are they related?
A They are brother and sister.
B They are husband and wife.
C They are father and daughter.
- 6) You hear a man talking on the phone. Where does he work?
A in a theatre booking office
B in an airline booking office
C in a travel agency
- 7) You hear two students called Maria and George talking about an essay. What does she want him to do?
A to write her essay
B to read her essay
C to help her with her essay
- 8) You hear a woman talking to a man about smoking. Where are they?
A on a plane
B on a bus
C on a train

Part 2

You hear an interview with a man who enjoys flying in a small aircraft called “microlight”. For questions 9-18, complete the sentences.

Before his retirement, Brian worked as a pilot for a company called(9)for a long time.

Brian feels like a bird when flying his microlight because he doesn't have a.....(10) around him.

Brian disagrees with the suggestion that steering a microlight is like steering a (11).

Brian's record-breaking flight ended in (12).

Brian organized his flight in advance to avoid needing other people as (13) on the way.

Brian's microlight was modified so that it could carry more (14) on board.

It took Brian (15) to plan the record-breaking flight.

Brian feels that flying over miles and miles of (16) was the most dangerous part of the trip.

Brian describes his navigation system as both(17) and easy to use.

Brian says that his main problem on the flight was the fact that he became very (18).

Part 3

You hear five different people talking about short courses they have attended. For questions 19-23, choose from the list (A-F) what each speaker says about their course. Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

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| A I was encouraged by the teachers to continue developing my skill. | Speaker 1..... (19) |
| B I learnt something about the subject that I hadn't expected. | Speaker 2..... (20) |
| C I preferred the social life to the course content. | Speaker 3..... (21) |
| D I intend doing a similar course again. | Speaker 4..... (22) |
| E I found out something about myself. | Speaker 5..... (23) |
| F I thought the course was good value for money. | |

Part 4

You will hear part of a radio interview with Martin Middleton, who makes wildlife programmes for television. For questions 24-30, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

24 What was the origin of Martin Middleton's love of travel?

- A** living abroad in the 1960s.
- B** something he read as a child.
- C** a television film about Africa.

25 When he visited Borneo, Martin

- A** had no fixed expectations.
- B** made a programme about life on the river.
- C** became more interested in filming old buildings.

- 26** Since the early 1960s, wildlife filming has become
A more relaxed.
B more creative.
C more organized.
- 27** Looking back, Martin regards his experience on the iceberg as
A slightly ridiculous.
B extremely dangerous.
C strangely depressing.
- 28** When he takes a holiday, Martin prefers to
A relax by the sea.
B stay in comfortable surroundings.
C travel for a particular reason.
- 29** Martin thought that the holiday-makers he saw in the Dominican Republic were
A risking their health.
B wasting opportunities.
C lacking entertainment.
- 30** What is Martin's opinion of tourism?
A It should be discouraged.
B It can be a good thing.
C It is well managed.