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**quick
placement
test**

Version 2

This test is divided into two parts:

Part One (Questions 1 – 40) – All students.

Part Two (Questions 41 – 60) – Do not start this part unless told to do so by your test supervisor.

Time: 30 minutes
Part 1

Questions 1 – 5

- Where can you see these notices?
- For questions 1 to 5, mark **one** letter **A**, **B** or **C** on your Answer Sheet.

1

You can look, but don't touch the pictures.

- A in an office
- B in a cinema
- C in a museum

2

Please give the right money to the driver.

- A in a bank
- B on a bus
- C in a cinema

3

NO
PARKING
PLEASE

- A in a street
- B on a book
- C on a table

4

CROSS BRIDGE FOR TRAINS TO
EDINBURGH

- A in a bank
- B in a garage
- C in a station

5

KEEP IN A
COLD PLACE

- A on clothes
- B on furniture
- C on food

Questions 6 – 10

- In this section you must choose the word which best fits each space in the text below.
- For questions 6 to 10, mark **one** letter **A**, **B** or **C** on your Answer Sheet.

THE STARS

There are millions of stars in the sky. If you look (6) the sky on a clear night, it is possible to see about 3000 stars. They look small, but they are really (7) big hot balls of burning gas. Some of them are huge, but others are much smaller, like our planet Earth. The biggest stars are very bright, but they only live for a short time. Every day new stars (8) born and old stars die. All the stars are very far away. The light from the nearest star takes more (9) four years to reach Earth. Hundreds of years ago, people (10) stars, like the North star, to know which direction to travel in. Today you can still see that star.

6 A at

B up

C on

7 A very

B too

C much

8 A is

B be

C are

9 A that

B of

C than

10 A use

B used

C using

Questions 11 – 20

- In this section you must choose the word which best fits each space in the texts.
- For questions **11** to **20**, mark **one** letter **A, B, C** or **D** on your Answer Sheet.

Good smiles ahead for young teeth

Older Britons are the worst in Europe when it comes to keeping their teeth. But British youngsters (11) more to smile about because (12) teeth are among the best. Almost 80% of Britons over 65 have lost all or some (13) their teeth according to a World Health Organisation survey. Eating too (14) sugar is part of the problem. Among (15) , 12-year olds have on average only three missing, decayed or filled teeth.

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|----|-----------|----------|------------|-----------|
| 11 | A getting | B got | C have | D having |
| 12 | A their | B his | C them | D theirs |
| 13 | A from | B of | C among | D between |
| 14 | A much | B lot | C many | D deal |
| 15 | A person | B people | C children | D family |

Christopher Columbus and the New World

On August 3, 1492, Christopher Columbus set sail from Spain to find a new route to India, China and Japan. At this time most people thought you would fall off the edge of the world if you sailed too far. Yet sailors such as Columbus had seen how a ship appeared to get lower and lower on the horizon as it sailed away. For Columbus this (16) that the world was round. He (17) to his men about the distance travelled each day. He did not want them to think that he did not (18) exactly where they were going. (19), on October 12, 1492, Columbus and his men landed on a small island he named San Salvador. Columbus believed he was in Asia, (20) he was actually in the Caribbean.

- 16 A made B pointed C was D proved
- 17 A lied B told C cheated D asked
- 18 A find B know C think D expect
- 19 A Next B Secondly C Finally D Once
- 20 A as B but C because D if

Question 21-40

- In this section you must choose the word or phrase which best completes each sentence.
- For question 21 to 40, mark one letter A, B, C or D on your Answer Sheet.

- 21 He..... tennis when he broke his wrist.
a) was playing b) played c) plays d) has played
- 22 'Were there any letters today?' 'No, the postman yet.'
a) doesn't come b) wasn't come c) hasn't come d) didn't come
- 23 "You look really hot!!"
a) Are you running? b) Did you run? c) Have you been running?
- 24 'How long has Sarah been living in Germany?'
'.....five years.'
a) Since b) For c) During d) While
- 25 When I arrived at the airport, the plane
a) has already left b) already left c) had already left
- 26 I..... in the country, but I had to move to the city for my new job.
a) used to live b) used to living c) wasn't used to living
- 27 I'm feeling tired. I don't think I tonight.
a) go out b) 'll go out c) 'm going out
- 28 You that letter – it's not addressed to you!
a) shouldn't to read b) shouldn't read d) ought not to
- 29 If I see Sam,..... him to call you.
a) I'll tell b) I'd tell c) I tell d) I told
- 30 Very.....people can travel around the world.
a) few b) a little c) a few d) little

- 31 In England people are always talking about
a) a weather b) the weather c) whether d) weather
- 32 Paul lives in Berlin now. He likes.....there.
a) to live b) living c) live d) life
- 33 The exam was quite easy-than I expected.
a) more easy that b) more easy than c) easier than d) easier as
- 34 Maria's English is excellent. She speaks.....
a) perfectly English b) English perfectly c) perfect English
d) English perfect
- 35 What's the name of the man.....?
a) you borrowed his car b) which car you borrowed
d) whose car you borrowed d) his car you borrowed
- 36 I am particularly interested.....science.
a) at b) on c) about d) in
- 37 Let us know as soon as youthere
a) are b) will be c) be
- 38 The situation is bad, but it.....worse.
a) could be b) can be c) should be
- 39 Sandra is She works at a large hospital.
a) a nurse b) nurse c) the nurse
- 40 James is on holiday. He.....to Italy.
a) went b) has been c) has gone d) is gone