Part 1 (15 minutes)

Listening

Task 1

You will hear a radio interview with a girl called Anita, who takes part in the motor-sport called karting. For each question 1–6 choose the correct answer a, b or c.

1. According to Anita, some teenagers think that karting
   a) doesn’t require real driving skills.
   b) isn’t as exciting as theme-park rides.
   c) should use large cars.

2. What does Anita say about the lesson at the racetrack?
   a) She found it rather boring.
   b) She thought it went on too long.
   c) She was pleased with what she learnt.

3. What surprised Anita when she first got into a kart?
   a) what she had to wear
   b) how much noise it made
   c) how close to the ground it was

4. What happened on Anita’s first drive?
   a) She had an accident.
   b) She managed all the exercises.
   c) She didn’t do as well as her brother.

5. In her first race, Anita was disappointed because
   a) less skillful drivers beat her.
   b) the other drivers weren’t very good.
   c) she wasn’t allowed to compete against boys.

6. What does Anita say about karting?
   a) You learn by making mistakes.
   b) It is not a frightening sport.
   c) It teaches you useful skills.
Task 2

You are going to listen to a radio programme about Oymyakon. For each question 7–12 fill in the missing information in the notes above.

Oymyakon, East Russia

Temperatures dropped to –71.2 °C in the year (7) ________.

Winters can be (8) ________ months long.

In the last 100 years, little changed in Oymyakon except for arrival of (9) ________.

Fiodor Arnosov – (10) ________ person to live in Oymyakon.

Young people would like:

• (11) ________

• Internet cafe to meet friends

• disco with music

Evan McGregor travelled there by (12) ________.

Transfer your answers into the answer sheet!

Part 2 (20 minutes)

Reading

Task 1

Read the text and for questions 13–20 name the sailors. You may use some names more than once.

Who:

13. didn’t use any type of transport with a motor on their journey? ____________

14. died before finishing his journey around the world? _____________________

15. was the leader of a journey around the world from start to finish? _________

16. wanted food when he/she came back? ________________________________

17. took a difficult route around the world? _______________________________

18. stole things during the journey? _____________________________________

19. escaped a very dangerous incident? _________________________________

20. didn’t get much rest? _____________________________________________

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Sailing round the world

Many people think that Ferdinand Magellan was the first person to travel around the world. His expedition was the first to do this but Magellan himself died on the trip when he found himself fighting a battle on an island in the Philippines. The Spanish captain Juan Sebastian Elcano became the new leader of the expedition. He arrived back in Spain in 1522 after a journey of just over three years. Seventeen other members of the original expedition had survived with him.

The British sailor Sir Francis Drake became the first person to lead a complete expedition around the world. His three-year journey began in 1577. On the journey, Drake attacked many Spanish ships carrying gold from the New World. He also took their maps, which were better than his own. These maps helped him to find the best routes to complete his journey.

One of the strangest round the world journeys was by Jason Lewis. Lewis took 13 years to complete his journey. His method of transport? An eight-metre “pedalo” – a pedal-powered boat. Lewis was the first person to go round the world by human power alone. On land, he travelled by bike and on Rollerblades™! The most terrifying incident during the whole trip was when a salt-water crocodile attacked him while he was in the water in a kayak. He reached a deserted beach and got out of the kayak but the crocodile started to eat the boat. In the end the crocodile left. Jason set fire to the rest of his kayak. A pilot in a small plane saw the smoke and rescued him.

Dee Caffari was born in Britain in 1973. In 2006 she became the first woman to sail solo non-stop around the world the “wrong way”. The wrong way means going west, against the winds and sea currents. It took her 178 days. In 2008–2009 it took her just 99 days to sail alone around the world in the usual direction. And so she became the first woman in history to sail around the world single-handed in both directions. On the voyage, she sailed through icebergs and could only sleep for periods of twenty minutes. When she got back, what she wanted most was a pizza, a diet cola and a bath!

Task 2

Read the article and complete the gaps 21–25 with the correct sentence a–f. There is one extra sentence which you do NOT need to use.

Shopping now and then

Many of us enjoy going shopping. We love the hustle of going to the high street, looking at shop windows, talking to shop assistants, examining various goods, comparing prices, trying clothes on and, finally, a few hours later, returning home exhausted, carrying bags full of brand new things.
In fact, when most consumers these days think of shopping they think of a one-stop visit to a shopping centre.

There are, however, quite a few people that don’t really like going shopping. When they absolutely have to buy something, they plan carefully, choose what they want and where they can get it, go to the shop, swiftly buy what they want and rush back home. They shop online or by mail order, and get everything delivered to them, without having to leave the comfort of their home.

Most teenagers, though, really enjoy going to the shopping mall. For them, it’s not so much a place where they can do their shopping as one where they can socialize and make new friends. As a result, teenagers often arrange to meet and hang out at the mall, even if they have no intention of going shopping.

This function of the shopping centre seems very much the same as the function of some of the oldest covered markets in the East, which can be seen as the forerunner of the modern mall. The first covered market in the East was Isfahan’s Grand Bazaar, whose buildings go back to the 10th century, while the Grand Bazaar of Istanbul, which was built in the 15th century, with its 58 streets and over 4,000 shops, is still one of the largest covered markets in the world.

It seems that people’s habits haven’t really changed very much over the centuries. In the same way that people in the Middle East have always met, done business and had a cup of coffee in the traditional bazaars, contemporary teenagers meet and have fun in the multiplex cinemas and fast food restaurants of the various malls.

a) In addition, the shopping experience in those markets is very different from what most of us are used to.
b) This is a large shopping centre which contains hundreds of different shops, as well as other places where you can relax or have fun.
c) Alternatively, we go to large department stores or shopping centres and spend half the day there, shopping to our heart’s content.
d) Going to the market was, and still is, a social networking event more than anything else.
e) Others don’t even go to the trouble of visiting the shops.
f) These markets are known as bazaars, which in Persian means “the place of prices”.

Transfer your answers into the answer sheet!
Part 3 (25 minutes)

Use of English

Task 1

Complete the text using the correct form of the verbs 26–35.

My husband Pete wasn’t in a very good mood when I (to leave) (26)_________ for work this morning. He got up, went to the kitchen and we heard from there his angry voice, “We (to run out of) (27)____________ coffee again?” So he had to have tea, and you should know that he really (to hate) (28)____________ it. Then he had to iron a shirt before he (can, to go) (29)____________ to work. While he (to do) (30)____________ that the phone rang. He ran to answer it and, of course, forgot about the iron. When he came back he (to burn) (31)____________ a big hole in one sleeve of his shirt and it was completely ruined. So he (to have to buy) (32)____________ a new one this weekend. But things got even worse: he set off for work and left his briefcase behind with all his notes for a very important business meeting.

Mind you, I didn’t have a great start either: I tripped over the children’s toys and fell down the stairs. Fortunately, I (not really hurt) (33)___________ myself but when I got to my feet I realized I (also to knock) (34)____________ a lamp over, and it (still not to work) (35)____________ now.

Task 2

Complete the following crossword using ordinary verbs to replace the phrasal verbs in bold. The number of letters in the ordinary verbs is given in the brackets. There is an example to help you.

Across
1. I have been looking for my new pet everywhere. (9)
2. The Titanic went down in 1912. (4)
3. I’ve never been able to add up very well. (5)
4. It’s hard to put aside any money if you’re on a low salary. (4)
5. I need to draw up a timetable for revision before I do an exam. (7)
6. When I was 30 I still went on having all my old toys, and did not want to give them away. (4)
7. Mr Jones brought up the question of parking at the meeting. (6)
8. Teachers’ duty is to check on their pupils’ progress. (7)
Down
9. I need to sort out my desk, it’s a bit of a mess. (8)
10. I think you need to look into the deal carefully before buying a second-hand car.
11. A role model is someone you keep your mind on. (7)
12. Chop up the onion into small pieces. (3)
13. What sort of hobby should I take up? (5)
14. Face up to the fact that your work is poor. (8)
15. The police went after the bank robbers. (6)
16. I think I’ll call on Jill on my way home to discuss the school project. (5)
17. I need to come up with some holiday ideas. (7)
Part 4 (30 minutes)

Writing

You’ve bought a new gadget recently. Write a review to a website called www.gadget.com. In your review remember to mention:

– what and why you’ve bought
– how it looks
– if it meets your requirements
– if you have any complaints
– if you would recommend it to other people

Write about 120–150 words.
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