

CAMBRIDGE IELTS LISTENING BOOK 20 TEST 1

PART 1 Questions 1–10

Complete the notes below.

Write ONE WORD AND/OR A NUMBER for each answer.

Name of	Location	Reason for	Other comments
restaurant		recommendation	
The Junction	Greyson Street, near the station	Good for people who are especially keen on 1	Quite expensive The 2 is a good place for a drink
Paloma	In Bow Street next to the cinema	3 food, good for sharing	Staff are very friendly Need to pay £50 deposit A limited selection of 4 food on the menu
The 5	At the top of a 6	A famous chef All the 7are very good Only uses 8 ingredients	Set lunch costs 9 £ per person Portions probably of 10 size



PART 2 Questions 11–20

Questions 11-16

Choose the correct letter, A, B or C.

- 11 Heather says pottery differs from other art forms because
 - A it lasts longer in the ground.
 - **B** it is practised by more people.
 - C it can be repaired more easily.
- **12** Archaeologists sometimes identify the use of ancient pottery from
 - A the clay it was made with.
 - **B** the marks that are on it.
 - **C** the basic shape of it.
- **13** Some people join Heather's pottery class because they want to
 - A create an item that looks very old.
 - **B** find something that they are good at.
 - **C** make something that will outlive them.

- 14 What does Heather value most about being a potter?
 - A its calming effect
 - B its messy nature
 - C its physical benefits
- 15 Most of the visitors to Edelman Pottery
 - A bring friends to join courses.
 - **B** have never made a pot before.
 - **C** try to learn techniques too quickly.
- 16 Heather reminds her visitors that they should
 - A put on their aprons.
 - **B** change their clothes.
 - c take off their jewellery

Questions 17 and 18

Choose TWO letters. A-E.

Which **TWO** things does Heather explain about kilns?

- A what their function is
- B when they were invented
- C ways of keeping them safe
- **D** where to put one in your home
- E what some people use instead of one

Questions 19 and 20

Choose TWO letters, A-E.

Which **TWO** points does Heather make about a potter's tools?

- A Some are hard to hold.
- **B** Some are worth buying.
- C Some are essential items.
- **D** Some have memorable names.
- E Some are available for use by participants.



PART 3 Questions 21–30

Questions 21 and 22

Choose TWO letters, A-E.

Which **TWO** things do the students both believe are responsible for the increase in loneliness?

- A social media
- B smaller nuclear families
- C urban design
- **D** longer lifespans
- E a mobile workforce

Questions 23 and 24

Choose TWO letters, A-E.

Which **TWO** health risks associated with loneliness do the students agree are based on solid evidence?

- A a weakened immune system
- **B** dementia
- C cancer
- **D** obesity
- E cardiovascular disease

Questions 25 and 26

Choose TWO letters, A-E.

Which TWO opinions do both the students express about the evolutionary theory of loneliness?

- A It has little practical relevance.
- **B** It needs further investigation.
- C It is misleading.
- **D** It should be more widely accepted.
- **E** It is difficult to understand.

Questions 27-30

Choose the correct letter, A, B or C.

Loneliness and mental health

- 27 When comparing loneliness to depression, the students
 - A doubt that there will ever be a medical cure for loneliness.
 - **B** claim that the link between loneliness and mental health is overstated.
 - **C** express frustration that loneliness is not taken more seriously.
- 28 Why do the students decide to start their presentation with an example from their own experience?
 - A to explain how difficult loneliness can be
 - **B** to highlight a situation that most students will recognise
 - **C** to emphasise that feeling lonely is more common for men than women



29	The students agree that talking to strangers is a good strategy for dealing with loneliness because

- A it creates a sense of belonging.
- **B** it builds self-confidence.
- **C** it makes people feel more positive.
- 30 The students find it difficult to understand why solitude is considered to be
 - A similar to loneliness.
 - **B** necessary for mental health.
 - C an enjoyable experience.

PART 4 Questions 31–40

Complete the notes below.

Write ONE WORD ONLY for each answer.

Reclaiming urban rivers

Historical background

- Nearly all major cities were built on a river.
- Rivers were traditionally used by city dwellers for transport, fishing and recreation.
- Industrial development and rising populations later led to:
 - more sewage from houses being discharged into the river
 - pollution from **31** on the river bank.
- In 1957, the River Thames in London was declared biologically 32

Recent improvements

- Seals and even a 33 have been seen in the River Thames.
- Riverside warehouses are converted to restaurants and **34**
- In Los Angeles, there are plans to:
 - build a riverside 35
 - display **36** projects.
- In Paris, **37** are created on the sides of the river every summer.

Transport possibilities

- Over 2 billion passengers already travel by 38 in cities round the world.
- Changes in shopping habits mean the number of deliveries that are made is increasing.