

I. READING

In 1957 a Liverpool schoolboy, John Lennon, started a guitar-based 'rock and roll' group. The other members were Paul McCartney, George Harrison, Stuart Sutcliffe and Pete Best. In August 1960, they went to Hamburg in Germany and worked hard every night in the clubs. When the group returned to Liverpool, Stuart and Pete left and Ringo Starr joined. The Beatles started their career at the Cavern Club in Liverpool. They first appeared there on 21st February 1961. Then Ringo joined them. John, George and Paul played rhythm, lead and bass guitars. Ringo played the drums. On 9th November Brian Epstein, a local record shop owner, saw the Beatles at a lunchtime session. He met them and a month later he became their manager. He gave The Beatles a new image - the famous Beatles suits and haircut. In 1962, The Beatles had their first Number 1 hit record in the UK charts. In February 1964, they visited the United States. The Americans loved them and The Beatles became famous very fast. The Beatles worked perfectly as a team. They had different personalities and abilities but they were great friends. The Beatles were very talented. John and Paul wrote songs quickly and easily. George was a songwriter, too. They were really good musicians. John and Paul were the lead singers but all The Beatles sang.

In 1967 they made their most creative album, *Sergeant Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band*. In the same year they went to India and became followers of the Maharishi Mashesh Yogi. From then on, nothing was ever quite the same. In 1968, the four Beatles started to go their different ways. They changed slowly from a group to four individuals with different interests. In 1970 they finally split up. All four members started their successful solo careers. The Beatles were the world's first international pop group and Lennon and McCartney were the best song-writing team of the twentieth century. The Beatles sold over 40 million records in the UK, over 200 million in the USA and over one billion worldwide. In December 1980 John Lennon was shot in New York. But the music of the Beatles didn't die. It had something special, and their music is still very popular today.

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1. Who was the drummer?

- A) Brian Epstein
- B) Ringo Starr
- C) George Harrison
- D) Paul McCartney

2. The Beatles first appeared in Liverpool in

- A) 1957
- B) 1960
- C) 1961
- D) 1962

3. was the author of The Beatles' songs.

- A) John Lennon
- B) George Harrison
- C) Ringo Starr
- D) Paul McCartney

4. The Beatles finished their career

- A) in 1970
- B) in 1968
- C) in 1967
- D) nine years after Ringo had joined the group

5. Brian Epstein was

- A) the follower of the Maharishi Mashesh Yogi
- B) the manager of The Beatles
- C) the owner of a record shop in Liverpool
- D) a songwriter

6. Who was the singer in The Beatles?

- A) George Harrison
- B) Ringo Starr
- C) Paul McCartney
- D) John Lennon

7. How many records did The Beatles sell all over the world?

- A) about 40,000,000
- B) about 200,000,000
- C) more than 1,000,000,000
- D) about 1,000,000,000,000

8. Wybierz prawdziwe zdania.

- A) The Beatles were extremely popular in America before 1963.
- B) One of the members of The Beatles was murdered.
- C) Ringo, John, George and Paul started individual careers in 1970.
- D) Nowadays, people don't like The Beatles' songs.

9. "Sergeant Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band" was

- A) The Beatles' successful record
- B) the most famous song of The Beatles
- C) sung by Stuart Sutcliffe
- D) recorded in India

II. COMMUNICATION

10. Chcesz pożyczyć od cioci płytę zespołu The Beatles. Co powiesz?

- A) Could you lend me The Beatles' record, please?
- B) Can you borrow me The Beatles' record, please?
- C) Should you give me The Beatles' record, please?
- D) Can I borrow The Beatles' record, please?

**11. A: Do you want me to help you with the ironing?
B:**

- A) Yes, please. I'm really tired.
- B) I'm sorry, I can't help.
- C) Never mind. I'll help you later.
- D) Oh yes. That's very kind of you.

12. A: What shall we cook for Mum's birthday party?

B:

- A) Let's make some spring salad.
- B) Why don't we make ham sandwiches?
- C) What about baking an enormous cake?
- D) I won't cook that. It's delicious.

13. A: My knee hurts and I have a high temperature.

B:

- A) You should see a doctor as soon as possible.
- B) Shall I call an ambulance for you?
- C) Shall I go to the doctor?
- D) If I were you, I would see a doctor immediately.

14. A:

B: He's an engineer. He designs bridges. He's very busy at the moment.

- A) What is your father doing at the moment?
- B) What does your father like doing?
- C) What does your father do?
- D) What's your father's job?

III. VOCABULARY

15. Ja zapytasz, czy możesz usiąść koło nieznanym osoby w parku?

- A) Do I have to sit here?
- B) May I sit here?
- C) Can you sit here, please?
- D) Excuse me, do you mind if I sit here?

16. A:

B: Since I graduated from Warsaw Polytechnic. It's my first job as an engineer.

- A) How long have you been working for General Motors?
- B) How long did you work in this factory?
- C) When did you leave Warsaw Polytechnic?
- D) Did you work while you were a student?

17. Mike is full of energy, he can't sit quietly. He does his duties with enthusiasm. He's

- A) energetic
- B) bossy
- C) lively
- D) stubborn

18. I have to (1) a really difficult exam to (2) CAE Certificate.

- A) (1) fail; (2) have
- B) (1) take; (2) get
- C) (1) study; (2) ask
- D) (1) pass; (2) get

19. This girl is wearing a dress.

- A) spotted
- B) plain
- C) striped
- D) checked



20. Where can you see the following notice?

- A) In a hospital.
- B) In a library.
- C) At school.
- D) In a park.

KEEP OFF
THE GRASS

21. The newspaper headline **TOURISTS TRAPPED UNDER SNOW** informs about

- A) an avalanche
- B) drought
- C) a flood
- D) an earthquake

IV. GRAMMAR

22. The dog bit me yesterday ran away quickly.

- A) who
- B) what
- C) that
- D) which

23. They don't go on holiday abroad because they don't have enough money. They (1) on holiday abroad if they (2) enough money.

- A) (1) went; (2) would have
- B) (1) might go; (2) had
- C) (1) would go; (2) had
- D) (1) would go; (2) didn't have

24. Roast veal for dinner yesterday.

- A) served
- B) was served
- C) was cooked
- D) is cooked

25. a lot of money in his wallet.

- A) There was
- B) It's
- C) It was
- D) There's

26. It was interesting and important information.

- A) such an
- B) such
- C) so
- D) so an

27. I hope you will phone you arrive in Los Angeles.

- A) when
- B) until
- C) as soon as
- D) while

28. Gina (1) this novel for a week and she (2) only 60 pages so far.

- A) (1) is reading; (2) read
- B) (1) has been reading; (2) has read
- C) (1) read; (2) was reading
- D) (1) reads; (2) has read

29. I'd like (1) to Chopin now. I love (2) to classical music.

- A) (1) listen; (2) to listen
- B) (1) listening; (2) listen
- C) (1) listening; (2) to listening
- D) (1) to listen; (2) listening

30. I have to look my little brother again tonight. My parents are going to the theatre.

- A) after
- B) out
- C) for
- D) forward