

I. READING

Notting Hill is a smart quiet area in north-west London, where a lot of people from the Caribbean live. But at carnival time, every year on the last weekend of August, you can admire the real cosmopolitan Notting Hill, which is much more exciting - and noisier!

The Notting Hill carnival is the largest street party in Europe. It started in 1964 and now up to one and a half million people join this colourful cocktail of costumes, music, dancing and exotic food.

The most spectacular feature of the carnival are the costumes. Each one of over 100 groups taking part in the parades displays a different theme. People could be dressed like exotic flowers or fruits, demonic monsters, sea creatures or anything else you can imagine. The costumes are made of silk, cotton, wire, bamboo, paper and other materials.

The other important element of the carnival is music. There are dozens of sound systems moving along with the parade and playing reggae, rap, soul, jungle and techno and other kinds of pop music. There are several stages where bands play live music. You can listen to many steel bands playing calypso music. The steel drum, the instrument used by these bands, is made from empty oil barrels. The streets are full of people dancing and following the bands.

And when you get hungry, there are some 300 food stalls selling exotic food from all over the world. In addition, arts and crafts are on sale.

1. The Notting Hill Carnival

- a) lasts for seven days.
- b) gathers more than one and a half million people.
- c) is very quiet.
- d) is an annual event.

2. The Notting Hill Carnival

- a) isn't as big as the street carnival in Berlin.
- b) takes place outdoors.
- c) started over 60 years ago.
- d) takes place in the Caribbean.

3. What kind of music isn't played there?

- a) classical b) soul c) techno d) reggae

4. Notting Hill

- a) is a street in London.
- b) is a party in Europe.
- c) is a colourful cocktail of costumes.
- d) a part of London.

5. The costumes worn during the festival

- a) must represent different themes.
- b) must be made of silk.
- c) are made of different materials.
- d) are all demonic monsters.

6. Choose the sentence that is not true.

- a) Some musical instruments are made from oil barrels.
- b) A lot of people dance on the streets during the carnival.
- c) Only calypso music is played live on stages.
- d) People can taste exotic food during the carnival.

II. COMMUNICATION ACTIVITY

7. A: We're going skiing in the Alps in January.

B:

- a) It's my pleasure.
- b) Congratulations!
- c) I'm sure you'll enjoy yourselves.
- d) Good luck!

8. A: What's your new kitten like?

B:

- a) It's small and cute.
- b) I like playing with cats.
- c) I love it!
- d) I'm fine.

9. Koleżanka organizuje prywatkę. Jak zaproponujesz, że przyniesiesz swoją wieżę?

- a) Should I bring my stereo?
- b) Might I bring my stereo?
- c) Do I have to bring my stereo?
- d) Shall I bring my stereo?

10. Jak poprosisz o kilo ogórków w sklepie warzywniczym?

- a) Can I have a kilo of cucumbers, please?
- b) Can I buy you a kilo of cucumbers, please?
- c) Could you get a kilo of cucumbers, please?
- d) Would you like a kilo of cucumbers, please?

11. A: Can I help you?

B:

- a) No, you can't help.
- b) I'm just looking. Thanks.
- c) That's wonderful.
- d) No, you couldn't.

12. A: How much are they?

B:

- a) They aren't much.
- b) I have only 5 Euros.
- c) There aren't many.
- d) Just 5 Euros.

13. A: Excuse me. How far is it to St. Paul's Cathedral?

B:

- a) It isn't closed.
- b) It's quite near here. Only 7 minutes walking.
- c) Go along this street and take the second turning left.
- d) Cross the river and look for it.

14. A: I'm so miserable. I've lost my new mobile phone.

B:

- a) How are you feeling? b) Let's go shopping.
 c) I can't believe it! d) It's not your problem.

15. A: I'm starving.

B:

- a) If I were you, I'd make myself a sandwich.
b) You should drink a lot of water.
c) Why don't you get some fresh air.
d) If I'm you, I'll eat this delicious salad.

III. VOCABULARY

16. Które zdanie jest zgodne z treścią tabliczki informacyjnej?

- a) Only children can get inside.
b) The building is closed.
c) No one can enter the building.
 d) Not everyone can get inside.

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17. Debbie is keen on languages. She speaks five fluently, so she works as

- a) a welder b) an interpreter
c) a graphic designer d) a housewife

18. You can buy aspirin at the

- a) chemist's b) doctor's
c) stationer's d) florist's

19. Look at that plasma TV. It costs only £149,00. What a ! Let's buy it.

- a) queue b) cash
 c) bargain d) receipt

20. My aunt is a flight attendant. She travels (1) by (2) nearly every day.

- a) (1) abroad; (2) coach
b) (1) around; (2) ferry
 c) (1) abroad; (2) plane
d) (1) about; (2) aeroplane

21. Last year, Africa was struck by Farm animals were dying of thirst.

- a) flood b) earthquake
c) avalanche d) drought

IV. GRAMMAR

22. It suddenly (1) snowing when we (2) home from school.

- a) (1) was; (2) walked
 b) (1) started; (2) were walking
c) (1) was beginning; (2) went
d) (1) were; (2) walked

23. Andy's mother prefers classical music when she's working in the kitchen.

- a) to listen
 b) listening to
c) to listen to
d) listening

24. Where are the books were under my desk, mum?

- a) that
b) what
c) where
d) who

25. Mary is so slim because she's on a strict diet. She (1) so slim if she (2) on this diet.

- a) (1) won't be; (2) was
b) (1) wouldn't have been; (2) hadn't been
c) (1) can't be; (2) isn't
 d) (1) wouldn't be; (2) weren't

26. What are you interested

- a) about
b) with
 c) in
d) for

27. Nobody to Martha's birthday party.

- a) wasn't invited
b) invited
c) invites
 d) was invited

28. You tell your parents what I told you. It's a secret.

- a) should
 b) mustn't
c) don't have to
d) aren't allowed

29. Lucy was surprised that Michael knew her name. She him before.

- a) had never met
b) have never met
c) didn't meet
d) wasn't met

30. A: I feel like going to the cinema tonight.

B: Good idea! What's at the moment?

- a) off
 b) on
c) in
d) up to