

Listening

First, read the first 9 questions.

Listen carefully to the recording.

You will listen to one text.

This text will be repeated three times.

After each time you will have time to answer the questions.

For each question you have to circle the right answer (A, B, C or D).

Reading

You will also read two texts and answer 16 questions by choosing the best option (A, B, C or D).

Writing

Finally, you will have to write two descriptions in which you explain what you can see in some pictures.

The whole exercise lasts 60 minutes.

PART 1: LISTENING.

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PART 2: READING COMPREHENSION.

Reading comprehension 1:

Once upon a time there was a young girl called Sandra who lived in a little house in a little village. This young girl absolutely loved flowers.

Sandra's house had a front garden where she grew many types of flowers, plants and bushes. Sandra wanted her garden to be very colourful. And it was!

Every Sunday Sandra watered her plants and pulled out all the bad weeds. All her plants were growing strong, healthy and pretty, just the way she wanted.

Sandra's neighbours always said her garden looked fabulous! That made her very happy.

One autumn morning, Sandra got out of bed and saw it was very windy.



People's umbrellas were flying in the air. Dogs were nervous and they were barking. Every minute that passed, the wind blew stronger and stronger. Sandra started to feel a bit worried and scared.

After a while, when the wind had stopped, she went out into the garden and... Oh, no! Everything was a total mess! The leaves from most of the plants were torn and all the petals from the flowers were on the ground. What a disaster!

Sandra was very sad. She looked at her garden and started to cry. At that moment Mrs. Davis, her next door neighbour, saw her and tried to cheer her up.



Two hours later while Sandra was finishing her lunch, she heard noises coming from outside. She looked through the window and discovered Mrs. Davis and some other neighbours tidying and clearing her front garden. This made Sandra really happy. She prepared a jug of lemonade and went out to join the group.

By the end of the day, with the help of her neighbours, Sandra's garden looked almost as beautiful as ever.

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Reading comprehension 2:

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Name: Cactus (plural: cacti)

Habitat: Deserts and dry soils.

Facts: There are many species of cacti of different shapes and sizes. Cacti grow very slowly and live for 50 to 200 years. They can live for long periods of time without any rain; but, when it rains, they store all the water they can in their stems.

Special features: Most cacti are covered in spikes. These spikes are their special leaves that protect them from animals that want to eat them.



Name: Giant Sequoia

Habitat: North America

Facts: Sequoias are evergreen trees. This species includes the tallest trees on Earth. They are usually around 50 metres tall (without counting the roots!) but *giant sequoias* can reach heights of around 80 metres. Today we can find these trees in many countries, even Spain.

Special features: Giant sequoias can live for over 2,000 years. The tallest giant sequoia in the world has even got its own name: "General Sherman". It is 84 metres tall, like a 25 floor building!



Name: Venus flytrap

Habitat: North America

Facts: This is the most famous of all the carnivorous plants. Its leaves form traps to catch insects and small spiders. The Venus flytrap is not very big. It grows small white flowers far above the leaves. These flowers need to be high above the leaves so that insects pollinating them do not fall into the traps. This plant can live for up to 30 years.

Special features: You can grow this plant at home but... you will need to catch little bugs to feed it!



Name: Rafflesia

Habitat: Rain forests in Asia

Facts: This plant does not have any leaves or stem, just an enormous and heavy flower that can weigh up to ten kilograms. It takes almost one year for the flower to grow but it lives for just a few days after it opens. Rafflesias are a pretty red or orange colour.

Special features: The smell of this flower is really horrible! People say it smells of bad meat and that is why another name for this plant is "the meat flower".

Copy the questions and answers in a paper and ask them (keep them because you will give me when we come back)

18. Which two plants can live for 90 years or more?

- A. The sequoia and the cactus.
- B. The sequoia and the rafflesia.
- C. The rafflesia and the Venus flytrap.
- D. None of them.

19. Which plant has the biggest flower?

- A. The Venus flytrap.
- B. The sequoia.
- C. The cactus.
- D. The rafflesia.

20. Which plant needs very little water to live?

- A. The Venus flytrap.
- B. The sequoia.
- C. The cactus.
- D. The rafflesia.

21. Which plant has no leaves?

- A. The Venus flytrap.
- B. The sequoia.
- C. The cactus.
- D. The rafflesia.

22. Why are the flowers of the Venus flytrap high above the leaves?

- A. Because they need a lot of light.
- B. Because they need to be far from the traps.
- C. Because they must not get wet.
- D. Because this is not good for the bugs.

23. Which of these plants has the shortest life?

- A. The cactus.
- B. The rafflesia.
- C. The Venus flytrap.

D. The sequoia.

24. The rafflesia smells of...

- A. rotten fish.
- B. putrid eggs.
- C. bad meat.
- D. dead bugs.

25. "General Sherman" is...

- A. a tree.
- B. a soldier.
- C. a scientist.
- D. an animal.

PART 3: WRITING:

Look at this picture.

What can you see? Describe as much as you can using structures as the following:

This is a picture of There is... / There are.... I can see...etc.

Write it in a paper you will have to give me at the return.

(I promise you I'm not the author of the drawing :))

