

Versant for English - High School Level

Test Identification Number

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Introduction:

Thank you for calling the Ordinate testing system.

Please enter your Test Identification Number on the telephone keypad.

Now, please say your name.

Now, please follow the instructions for Parts A through E.

Part A: Reading. *Please read the sentences as you are instructed.*

1. In the winter, Laura and Pete use a gas heater to warm their house.
2. When it's left on all the time, the air gets very dry.
3. Laura doesn't mind the dry heat when it's twenty degrees below zero outside.
4. But they plan to install a new heater before next winter.
5. It's only three weeks before the election.
6. The two leading candidates are almost even in the polls.
7. A lot of people still haven't decided which one to vote for, though.
8. That's probably because the candidates agree on so many issues.
9. All her life, Cathy has wanted to learn to play the piano.
10. In last week's local paper, she noticed a beginner's piano course.
11. They guaranteed a method to teach you to play by ear in three months.
12. Her goal is to learn to play a short piece for her thirtieth birthday.

Part B: Repeat. *Please repeat each sentence that you hear.*

Example: a voice says, "Leave town on the next train."
and you say, "Leave town on the next train."

Part C: Questions. *Now, please just give a simple answer to the questions.*

Example: a voice says, "Would you get water from a bottle or a newspaper?"
and you say, "a bottle" or "from a bottle".

Part D: Sentence Builds. *Now, please rearrange the word groups into a sentence.*

Example: a voice says, "was reading" ... "my mother" ... "her favorite magazine"
and you say, "My mother was reading her favorite magazine."

Part E: Open Questions. *You will have 20 seconds to answer each of two questions. The questions will be about family life or personal choices. Each question will be spoken twice, followed by a beep. When you hear the beep, you will have 20 seconds to answer the question. At the end of the 20 seconds, another beep will signal the end of the time you have to answer.*