

TEST 7

PART 3

You are going to read a magazine article about a woman who won some money in a competition. Eight paragraphs have been removed from the article. Choose from the paragraphs A-I the one that fits each gap (14-20). There is one extra paragraph which you do not need to use. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Wendy's a Winner

Wendy Jurd plunges her mop into a bucket of water and pushes it across the dusty floor of the village bank. The thirty-nine-year-old cleaner can be found in Lloyd's Bank in Chandler's Ford every morning.

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The fact is that she is not just the cleaner, but one of the bank's richest customers.

Wendy's amazing story began three years ago when she walked into the bank and asked for a £4,000 loan to buy a van so she could expand her one-woman cleaning business. Having been turned down by the other banks, she was not very hopeful.

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Wendy's heart sank and she was about to leave. But his next words stopped her. "What you need is something like the contract to clean this bank. It's yours!" Naturally Wendy was delighted. She started work at the bank the following day, bought a van and business picked up quickly.

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But then recession hit Britain. Everyone had to cut their budgets. Wendy's contracts gradually disappeared. "We hadn't had a holiday for three years and we'd never gone out much, but we were still short of money," remembers Wendy.

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They joked about what they would buy if they ever won. However, the joking stopped one morning when the doorbell rang. A smartly-dressed man was on the doorstep. "Are you Wendy Jurd?" he asked.

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Wendy felt weak at first, and then fainted. When Chris, her husband, came rushing in from the garden he thought someone must have died.

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You would be forgiven for expecting that she threw away her mop and bucket and flew off to a life of luxury in Bermuda.

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Afterwards, she got her mop and cleaned the floor. And she's taken the family on just one shopping trip, allowing them a single treat each.

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She then adds, "It would be letting the bank down after all they've done for me. It does make me smile when I'm cleaning to think of those thousands sitting in my account. But as long as they want me here, I'll keep mopping."

- A The man from Littlewoods took five hours to convince Wendy that she really had won a fortune. After several cups of tea, she finally calmed down and started to consider what to do with the money.
- B In fact, she had so much work that she was able to offer her husband, Chris, a job when he was made redundant. She agrees that it was hard work but they were just glad to make a living.
- C So why does Wendy still work? "People think I'm mad," she laughs. "But I couldn't give up my work at the bank."
- D She's such a familiar sight that most of the bank's customers never give her a second glance. They would be astonished if they knew the truth.
- E But she didn't even consider it. After one glass of champagne, she went to the bank and paid in her cheque.
- F She spent hours over her accounts, struggling to make the figures balance. Every once in a while, simply for the fun of it, she entered the weekly Littlewoods competition with her two sons.
- G Although she had listed all her cleaning jobs, the bank manager said she needed a reliable, long-term contract before he could give her the loan.
- H When she nodded, he informed her that she had won a £200,000 prize in the spot-the-ball competition.
- I She'd been depending on winning the competition to solve her financial problems. "It was my last hope," she says.

PART 4

You are going to read some information about restaurants in Edinburgh. For questions 21-35, choose from the restaurants (A-E). Some may be chosen more than once. When more than one answer is required, these may be given in any order. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Which restaurants would you recommend for:

- a large family with a child's birthday to celebrate? 0 E
- someone who enjoys listening to music while eating? 21 22
- a hungry student on a low income? 23
- a salesperson who wants to impress a client? 24
- someone who likes to have a large choice of wines? 25
- someone who enjoys Eastern cooking? 26

Which restaurant would you NOT recommend for:

- someone who has a delicate stomach? 27
- someone trying to lose weight? 28
- someone who has to use public transport? 29
- a family who have decided to eat out but haven't had time to reserve a table? 30 31
- someone on a tight budget? 32
- someone who wants to go out with a large group of friends? 33 34 35

Edinburgh Eats

- A. Ristorante Tinelli**
A modest restaurant that probably serves the best Italian food in the city. The menu is short, specialising in recipes from the North of Italy. The pasta and bresaola are home made and there are a number of non-traditional dishes to try. Friendly staff but limited tables so remember to book early to avoid disappointment. Close to the city football ground.
139 Easter Road (6521932)
- B. Hendersons**
This restaurant is situated in a basement under a farm shop in a busy area of town. The dining room is small and full of hard kitchen chairs, uncomfortable wooden benches and low stools. The decor resembles a farmhouse kitchen and it's easy to forget you are in a restaurant. But the food is delicious, fresh and excellent value for money. We liked the home baked bread, scones and pies. There are also half a dozen fresh salads to choose from. Breakfast is a particularly popular time to come here. For those who like simple delicious food. Large groups not welcome because of lack of space. 94 Hanover Street (225 2131)
- C. Spices**
Some say that this is the best Indian restaurant in the country. For those who like hot, spicy dishes only. A smart room decorated in earthy tones of brown and cream. Unlike other Indian restaurants, they roast, grind and blend fresh herbs and spices daily. Authentic Indian food at good prices. Discounts for students on Tuesday nights before 10pm. Open until 2 am. Closed Sunday and Monday. 110 West Bow, Grassmarket (225 5028)
- D. La Potinière**
This restaurant has won many awards for its large wine cellar and excellent menu. But you may find this restaurant difficult to locate as it is a short car journey from the golfing town of Gullane. It is essential to book a table and arrive early. During the summer months the restaurant is often booked up six weeks in advance. This is because the restaurant only opens on Saturday evenings and it is not very large. It's no bargain, but if you do manage to get a table then you are in for a treat. The wine cellar is remarkable - and expensive - and there is a large choice of old wines to choose from. Hilary Brown's cooking looks complicated but is, in fact, simple. She specialises in French cuisine; soufflés and chicken appear regularly. A favourite with local businessmen. Live music a highlight. Undoubtedly for special occasions only. (0620 843214)
- E. Steakhouse**
This chain of restaurants specialises in American food. Try the freshly made burgers and beef steaks, served with fried potatoes and garnished with salad. Dieters beware - the Steakhouse serves extremely large portions!! If you can, make sure you try the delicious desserts - all served with fresh cream. The steakhouse has a lively atmosphere which is created by the young friendly staff and the large jukebox. Children are welcome too. Ask to see the children's menu. The steakhouse also holds the best children's parties in town! Reservations not necessary. 10 Victoria Street (225 1721), 8 Union Street (557 8451) and 38 Grass Market (2262442).