

PART 3

You are going to read a magazine article about personality tests. Seven sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences (A-H) the one which fits each gap (16-21). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Personality Testing

Do you agree with the following statements? Just answer yes or no - and do it as quickly as possible.

- I looked up to my father as the ideal man.
- Sometimes I feel like smashing things.
- Women should not be allowed to drink alone in bars.
- I prefer having a bath to a shower.

0 H And since your next job or promotion could depend on your answers you had better take this test very seriously.

At a time when employing the wrong person could cost a company money, employers are understandably careful about accepting information from candidates at face value. 16 They need to know whether you are sociable or shy, the type that enjoys a challenge or runs away from change. If you're always out-going, you could be the perfect sales assistant - but might not be suitable for another position.

Personality testing is not new. In the Old Testament, Gideon the war leader used a simple psychological test to select an army that was about to go into battle.

17 In modern times, however, personality testing only dates back to World War I, when the American army tested two million men in order to place them in the most suitable jobs.

Despite their popularity, not everyone thinks that personality tests work. At the centre of the argument lies the question of what makes a personality.

18 Furthermore, do we know ourselves well enough to be able to give correct and honest answers? On the subject of honesty, psychologists believe that there is a huge gap between what people say about themselves and their true personalities. Applicants are usually aware of the types of people an employer wants. 19

Psychologists believe that people do not change in the way they behave. That is to say that people, no matter if the time or the place changes, will always do things in the same manner. 20 Another thing these tests assume is that people who are organised in their private lives, will be organised in the workplace. Clearly this may not be the case, but that person whose test results say that they are hard-working and honest will appear very attractive to an employer.

But nowadays, with so many applicants for each job, employers are not all that interested in whether there is real evidence that personality tests work.

21 And a refusal to complete one of these tests when you next apply for a job is unlikely to be seen as a positive sign by the employer. If one applicant refuses, while all the others agree, the employer will often just throw the application away.

- A There is little evidence that those aspects of the personality revealed by testing are related to people performing well in a job.
- B In most cases, employers simply want to know basically what type of person you are.
- C For example, one person may always be polite when speaking on the telephone, while another will always be sharp and impolite.
- D Personality testing has become such a big business that there are now more than 50,000 different tests.
- E As a result, there is a tendency for applicants to lie or cheat by giving the answers he or she knows the employer wants to hear.
- F The ancient Chinese also used personality tests to select high-ranking clerks and civil servants.
- G They just want a quick, cheap method of cutting down on the number of applicants they have to interview for each job.
- H All these statements appear on a personality test currently being used by employers in Britain.

PART 4

You are going to read some information about some films. For questions 22-35, choose from the titles (A-G). Some of the titles 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 film or films would you recommend to someone who:

- likes action films? 0 C
- enjoys rock music? 22
- likes stories about space? 23
- wants to watch an old-time show? 24
- likes detective films? 25
- enjoys stories about kidnapping? 26
- likes horror films? 27
- wants to listen to some music? 28 29
- likes crime stories? 30 31
- enjoys films about surgery? 32 33
- likes long films? 34
- likes romance? 35

What to Watch

The Eddie Holbrook Show A

This show is in black and white. It is full of nostalgia and memories of the past and features 3 famous celebrities. When this show was recorded the voices of both Eddie Holbrook and Frank Fisher were at their best, and together with Eddie Holbrook's Cantors jokes this could well be called a collector's item. There are commercial breaks featuring the stars themselves making this tape both entertaining and unusual. It also features several other stars of the time, including Ronnie Russell and Ronald Arlon who together sing some of his songs like "Make Believe", "Over the Rainbow" and Frank joins in with "Come Rain or Shine" resulting in some truly unforgettable moments.

Money B

Roland is obsessed with money. He tries all kinds of ways to make it, but he's only interested if he can get it easily. When he and his girlfriend Lucy take a baby-sitting job for a wealthy lady he decides that a lot of money can be made by kidnapping. Roland holds the children to ransom and asks their father Richard Banks for \$200,000 for the safe return of his children. Richard gets the money from his ex-wife, but has other ideas for its use. It would appear that just about everybody has money on their mind and will do anything to get it. An adventure film with a difference, it will keep you entertained - for three hours! Not a film for the restless.

Dynamite C

Dynamite Johnny is a young boy who has suffered a serious injury to his legs. His only hope of returning to normality is to have an operation which will give him super human powers. His aunt is a government agent who is trying to find a mad man who wants to rule the world. Together they have several adventures, helped by Johnny's super powers, as they try to save the world from the evil madman.

Fillmore Rock Festival D

This was one of the largest ever gatherings of rock bands. The festival lasted a week and this film gives the highlights of a truly memorable event. Elvis Bishop, Hot Fish, Subtana and many more bands who have earned their place in Rock and Roll history, play with all the emotion and style that the occasion deserves. Bishop's performance that week is thought by music critics to have been one of his best moments on stage.

The Man with the Plastic Brain E

Dr Howard is normally an extremely honest doctor, but one day he takes the opportunity to test his new invention, an artificial brain. The opportunity arises when a soldier arrives at his surgery almost dead. The operation is a huge success and the soldier is very fit, but the doctor has created a modern day Frankenstein's monster. Terror and violence is his trade and he kills without a second thought. A film for those who enjoy unusual horror stories.

Dressed to Detect F

A Holmes film starring Basil Backbone as Holmes and Nigel Jackson as Watson. Holmes the private detective has been hired by the Bank of England, to find the whereabouts of two plates stolen and used to print £30 notes. The mystery of their whereabouts is contained in three wooden music boxes which Holmes and Watson have to find before they can find the plates. A tale of suspense and intrigue as the detective unravels what appears to be an impossible mystery.

Space Trek - Shore Leave G

Space Trek is a film set in the future and features the crew of a spaceship whose job it is to discover new places in the galaxy. In their travels many interesting things happen as they meet with friends and enemies alike. In this particular episode the captain falls in love with the ship's doctor. Then a holiday off the ship on a beautiful planet turns into a frightening experience as the crew meet people and images from their past.