

Listening & Reading

ANSWER SHEET

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1	(A)	B			
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10	(A)	B			
11	A	(B)	C		
12	(A)	B	C		
13	A	B	(C)		
14	A	B	(C)		
15	A	(B)	C		
16	A	(B)	C	D	
17	A	B	C	(D)	
18	A	B	(C)	D	
19	A	B	(C)	D	
20	A	(B)	C	D	
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22	A	B	(C)	D	
23	A	B	(C)	D	
24	A	B	C	(D)	
25	A	B	C	(D)	
26	A	(B)	C	D	E
27	A	B	C	(D)	E
28	(A)	B	C	D	E
29	A	B	C	D	(E)
30	A	B	(C)	D	E
31	A	(B)	C	D	
32	A	B	C	(D)	
33	A	B	C	(D)	
34	A	(B)	C	D	
35	A	(B)	C	D	
36	longitudinal				
37	excessive				
38	maintaining				
39	to address				
40	allotment				

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Use of English

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1	established	21	unflattering
2	appointed	22	perspective
3	demand	23	disrepairably
4	response	24	justify
5	appreciate	25	overreacted
6	integrated	26	unblemished
7	appearance attendance	27	relatively
8	cover	28	arguable
9	refreshments	29	misconduct
10	available	30	disclose

11	quiet
12	clean
13	break
14	shine
15	low
16	bounds
17	take
18	surely
19	heart
20	bits

31	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
32	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
33	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
34	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
35	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
36	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
37	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
38	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
39	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
40	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
41	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
42	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
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44	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
45	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
46	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
47	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
48	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
49	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
50	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L

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Task 1

The science fiction writer, Frederic Brown, is credited to write the shortest story in the world in 1948, which he called "Knock". The story was this: "The last man on Earth sat alone in a room. There was a knock on the door." The story paved the way to a new fashion of writing very short stories. I

If you are someone who enjoys brief and straight-to-the-point stories, then there is no better book for you than "The World's Shortest Stories of Love and Death" by Steve Moss. ^{In 1987} Moss started a competition called "55 Fiction". ^{It} was called so because all the submitted stories had to be fifty-five or fewer words in length. On top of that, they needed to have a setting, one or more characters, some conflict and a resolution to quality. In 1999 Moss published the best stories in ^{one} book.

What I enjoyed the most about it is how unique every story is. Take for example my absolute favorites: "Gratitude", "In the Garden", "Higher Education" and "The Search". The first three are rather realistic, while the last one is a little more mystical. "In the garden" left me giggling, but "The Search" gave food for thought. Surprisingly, "Gratitude" managed to do both even without any dialog like in the other three stories.

Seeing as anyone can ^{definitely} find a story to suit their tastes, I recommend everyone to give "The World's Shortest Stories of Love and Death" a try. If you

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do not like the first story you read, I advise you
against putting²⁰⁰ the book down as there are many
other stories by different authors you might potentially
enjoy. Personally, it is one of my most favourite books
and I even learned some²¹⁰ ^{just the} stories by heart. After all,
they are truly "the world's shortest" and, I would
argue, greatest stories.

258 words

Task 2

The last man on Earth sat alone in a room. There
was a kick on the door.

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