

**Listening & Reading**

**ANSWER SHEET**

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32	A	B	C	(D)	
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34	A	B	C	(D)	
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36	LONGEVITY				
37	EXCESSIVE				
38	MAINTAINING				
39	ADDRESSING				
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1	ESTABLISHED	21	UNFLATTERING
2	APPOINTED	22	PERCEPTION
3	DEMAND	23	REPAIRMENT
4	INTEREST	24	JUSTIFY
5	APPRECIATE	25	OVERREACTED
6	INTEGRAL	26	UNBLEMISHING
7	MEMBERSHIP	27	RELATIVELY
8	COVER	28	ARGUABLE
9	REFRESHMENTS	29	MISCONDUCT
10	AVAILABLE	30	DISCLOSE

11	QUIET
12	<del>QUIET</del> TIDY
13	DO
14	THUNDER
15	ABOVE
16	BOUNDS
17	TAKE
18	SURELY
19	PARCEL
20	ENDS

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
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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 that had to be concise and fascinating at the same time.

Among those who joined this so-called writing movement was Steve Moss with "The World's Shortest Stories of Love and Death". The book represented a collection of probably the best stories which were selected via a competition started by Moss in 1987. To be more precise, he was actually an editor of "New Times", the American magazine that still holds this kind of competition called "55 Fiction" every year. What is highly noticeable is that all the stories considered suitable for "55 Fiction" possess certain characteristics, such as fifty-five or fewer words, a setting and so on.

It is especially important to highlight several samples. The stories which I particularly enjoyed were "Gratitude" by Andrew E. Hunt, "Higher Education" by Ron Best, "In the Garden" by Hope A. Torres and "The Search" by Robert Tompkins. Beyond doubt, all of them provide compelling insights into the features of our daily lives. However, some stories take the reader by surprise

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because of an unpredictable resolution of the conflict initially presented. For instance, in "In the Garden" the man was expected to reveal his feelings, but then he turned out to be protecting his flower instead of running towards a woman and calling her. Interestingly, stories like "Gratitude" and "The Search" explain the gift of simple things and the necessity to value life.

As far as my opinion is concerned, this collection of short stories is a perfect source of wisdom and people's life experience. For this reason, I would thoroughly endorse this book to everyone.

As a conclusion, it is essential to put forward several recommendations for the readers. First, it is desirable to read the stories more than once in order to pay attention to any hidden details. understand them better and

Finally, it might be a thought to contribute to this genre by composing your own story and participating in "55 Fiction".

Task 2.

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

Answer: sign.

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Daniel.