# CEFR SUCCESS









# SUB-TEST: LEXICAL AND GRAMMAR COMPETENCE

### PART 1

Read the text below and choose the correct word for each space. For each question, mark the correct answer A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet.

### **Questions 1-10.**

**Q10.** 

immediate

### **Catching out the Dishonest Candidate**

Most personnel managers agree that job interviews are one of the least objective recruitment methods. But the advantages of testing are not going to change the attraction of the interview to employers. The appeal of the interview has everything to do with the Q1 factor.								
Most people believe they are a <b>Q2</b> judge of character and trust their instinctive feelings. We might use some kind of test to aid the selection process, but we usually pick a candidate who interviews well, has good examinations and an impressive work record.								
But Q3 the candidate lies or is less than completely honest, "This can be a serious problem for employers", explains Alan Conrad, Chief Executive at Optimus Recruitment. "The most difficult liars to find out are those who Q4 half-truths rather than complete lies." Research calculates that up to 75 percent of curriculum vitaes are deliberately inaccurate. The most common practice is ignorance.  Interviewers should therefore concentrate on areas of Q5 such as gaps between periods of employment and job Q6 that seem strange. "Focusing on these areas will force candidates to tell the truth or become increasingly Q7 This is usually when people signal								
their <b>Q8</b> by their body language. Sweat on the upper lip, false smiles and nervous hand movements all <b>Q9</b> discomfort."								
Conrad does not suggest an aggressive police-style interview technique, but insists that Q10 inspection of curriculum vitae is absolutely essential. Only by asking the right questions can you confirm the suitability of the candidate or put pressure on those who are being less than completely honest.								
Q1.	<b>A</b> )	emotion	<b>B</b> )	feeling	<b>C</b> )	human	D)	person
<b>Q2.</b>	<b>A</b> )	reasonable	<b>B</b> )	sensible	<b>C</b> )	substantial	D)	normal
Q3.	<b>A</b> )	pretend	B)	think	<b>C</b> )	suppose	D)	fantasise
Q4.	<b>A</b> )	say	<b>B</b> )	tell	<b>C</b> )	inform	D)	talk
Q5.	<b>A</b> )	error	<b>B</b> )	incorrectness	<b>C</b> )	uncertainty	D)	indecision
<b>Q6.</b>	<b>A</b> )	descriptions	B)	advertisements	<b>C</b> )	interpretations	D)	routines
Q7.	<b>A</b> )	untrue	B)	illegal	<b>C</b> )	dishonest	D)	criminal
Q8.	<b>A</b> )	annoyance	<b>B</b> )	anger	<b>C</b> )	anxiety	D)	disappointment
Q9.	<b>A</b> )	indicate	<b>B</b> )	prove	<b>C</b> )	present	D)	picture

near

close

D)

**B**) tight

# PART 2

In the following text, each line (Q11-Q20) has three underlined words or phrases marked **A**, **B**, or **C**. Find the word or the phrase which has a mistake and must be changed in order for the sentence to be correct. If there is no mistake in the line, choose **D** (no mistake).

E.g: <u>A</u>	According to me (A), she mustn't (B) leave the (C) company	D – no mistake
Q11.	Regardless of (A) he worked long hours (B), he was not able to finish the work started (C) that day.	D – no mistake
Q12.	The (A) Simons moved into a new section (B) of the town not being (C) aware of its problems.	D – no mistake
Q13.	The short stops we made at <u>historic</u> (A) ports of call satisfied my <u>crave</u> (B) for travel and <u>perfectly</u> (C) suited my temperament.	D – no mistake
Q14.	On (A) the first day, I explored the ship to get my bearings and (B) to find out about board-on (C) entertainment activities.	D – no mistake
Q15.	No way was I going back (A) to England after this cruise without a tan that (B) would be the (C) envy of my friends.	D – no mistake
Q16.	It is <u>this</u> (A) figure that sales management has to <u>monitor</u> (B), though, to ensure an effective marketing strategy and <u>producing</u> (C) effective profits.	D – no mistake
Q17.	Often the extra expenditure <u>has not accurately charged</u> (A) to the product and the result is that, <u>long before</u> (B) unit sales are noticeably falling, <u>the unit profit</u> (C) has already fallen.	D – no mistake
Q18.	The product <u>life cycle</u> ( <b>A</b> ), then, presents an imagination of what happened in the product's 'lifetime', <u>due to</u> ( <b>B</b> ) how can this be used as an ongoing aid <u>to management</u> ( <b>C</b> ) decision-making?	D – no mistake
Q19.	Every sales manager <u>having</u> (A) a chart on which the progress of sales <u>is plotted</u> (B) and this can be used <u>as</u> (C) a guide to the stage of development each product is currently in.	D – no mistake
Q20.	An <u>essential</u> (A) management skill is being able to <u>interpret</u> (B) sales results and draw in the stages as they <u>occur</u> (C).	D – no mistake

### PART 3

In the following text, fill in the gaps (21-30) with an appropriate word from the list (A-L). Note: there are two extra words that you do not need to use.

List of words:			
A) Up	<b>B</b> ) over	C) tactics	<b>D</b> ) By
E) obsolete	<b>F</b> ) off	G) concepts	H) introduction
I) formulate	<b>J</b> ) so	<b>K</b> ) of	L) record

One of the most important ... (Q21) ... in sales management and marketing is that of the product life cycle. This is a historical ... (Q22) ... of the life of a product, showing the stage in its life the product has reached at a particular time. ... (Q23) ... identifying the stage that a product is in or may be heading towards, companies can ... (Q24) ... better marketing plans. All products have 'lives' in as much as they are created, sell with varying profitability ... (Q25) ... a period of time, and then become ... (Q26) ... and are replaced or simply no longer produced. A product's sales position and profitability can be expected to fluctuate over time and ... (Q27) ..., at each successive stage in the product's cycle, it is necessary to adopt different ... (Q28) .... The two main features of the product life cycle are unit sales and unit profit. The unit sales figures usually jump on ... (Q29) ..., as a response to heavy advertising and promotion, as customers buy the product experimentally. This is generally followed by a levelling ... (Q30) ... while it is evaluated – the length of this period depending on the use to which the product is put.

# WRITE YOUR ANSWERS HERE

<b>Q21</b>	<b>Q22</b>	Q23	<b>Q24</b>	<b>Q25</b>	<b>Q26</b>	<b>Q27</b>	<b>Q28</b>	<b>Q29</b>	Q30

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Q1. C
Q2. B
Q3. C
Q4. B
Q5. B
Q6. C
Q7. A
Q8. B
Q9. D
Q10. B
Q11. A
Q12. D
Q13. B
Q14. C
Q15. D
Q16. C
Q17. A
Q18. B
Q19. A
Q20. D
Q21. G
Q22. L
Q23. D
Q24. I Q25. B
Q25. B Q26. E
Q26. E Q27. J
Q27. 3 Q28. C
Q28. C Q29. H
Q30. F
Q30.1°