

# **OET**STUDY MATERIAL

**LISTENING** 

# Occupational English Test Listening Test

This test has three parts. In each part you'll hear a number of different extracts. At the start of each extract, you'll hear this sound: --beep—

You'll have time to read the questions before you hear each extract and you'll hear each extract **ONCE ONLY**. Complete your answers as you listen.

At the end of the test you'll have two minutes to check your answers.

# Part A

In this part of the test, you'll hear two different extracts. In each extract, a health professional is talking to a patient.

For **questions 1-24**, complete the notes with information you hear.

Now, look at the notes for extract one.



# **Extract 1: Questions 1-12**

You hear a pulmonologist talking to a patient called Robert Miller. For **questions 1-12**, complete the notes with a word or short phrase.

You now have 30 seconds to look at the notes.

Patient	Robert Miller		
Symptoms	• tiredness		
	persistent (1) cough		
	• SOB		
	weight loss described as (2) in nature.		
	fingertips appear (3)		
	nails feel relatively (4)		
Background	previously employed as a (5)		
details	(20 yrs)		
	now employed as a (6)		
	no longer able to play golf		
	keeps pigeons as a hobby		
Medical history	last year diagnosed with hypertension		
	current prescription of (7)		
	• (8) sounds in chest reporte	ed	
	by GP		
	father suffered from (9)		
Previous tests	• (10) six months ago		
	chest x-ray one month ago		
Future actions	• (11) test		
	CT scan		
	prescription of (12) (possible content to the content t	oly)	



# Extract 2: Questions 13-24

You hear an eye specialist talking to a patient called Jasmine Burton, who has recently undergone eye surgery. For **questions 13-24**, complete the notes with a word or short phrase.

You now have thirty seconds to look at the notes.

Patient	Jasmine Burton		
Patient history	suffers from (13)	astigmatism	
	• also has (14)	(so surgery under	
	general anaesthetic)		
	• eye problems may result from a lack of (15)		
	sight problems mean (16)	isn't	
	an option for her		
	reports some slowness to (17)		
	has poor perception of (18)		
	• works as a (19)	_	
	- reports having no issues at work		
	eyes checked every few years		
Surgery	• (20) in right e	eye first noted	
	three years ago		
	February this year - had surgery		
	some capsular (21)	noted post-	
	operatively		
	examination showed no sign of a (22)		
	<ul> <li>follow up appointment in 6 months</li> </ul>		
Presenting with	reported increase in number of (23)		
	increased sensitivity to (24)		

That is the end of Part A. Now look at Part B.



#### Part B

In this part of the test, you'll hear six different extracts. In each extract, you'll hear people talking in a different healthcare setting.

For **questions 25-30**, choose the answer (**A**, **B** or **C**) which fits best according to what you hear. You'll have time to read each question before you listen. Complete your answers as you listen.

Now look at question 25.

<b>25.</b> You hear a nurse briefing a colleague at the end of her	shift.
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What does the colleague have to do for the patient tonight?

- A remove her saline drip
- B arrange for more tests
- **c** monitor her blood pressure
- 26. You hear part of a hospital management meeting where a concern is being discussed.

What is the committee concerned about?

- (A) poor response to recruitment drives
- (B) difficulties in retaining suitable staff
- c relatively high staff absence rates
- 27. You hear a GP and his practice nurse discussing a vaccination programme.

They agree that the practice should

- (A) make sure patients are aware of it.
- (B) organise it more effectively than in the past.
- c prepare to cope with an increasing demand for it.



28. You hear two hospital nurses discussing the assessment of a patient on their ward. What is the problem?  $(\mathbf{A})$ The patient's documentation has been sent to the wrong place.  $(\mathbf{B})$ Nobody has taken responsibility for assessing the patient. (c)The duty doctor was unable to locate the patient. 29. You hear the beginning of a training session for dental students. The trainer is explaining that the session will  $(\mathbf{A})$ focus on aspects of dental hygiene.  $(\mathbf{B})$ expand upon what they studied previously. (c) introduce them to a completely new technique. 30. You hear two nurses discussing the treatment of a patient with a kidney infection. What is the female nurse doing?  $(\mathbf{A})$ emphasising the urgency of a procedure (B) suggesting how to overcome a difficulty  $(\mathbf{c})$ warning him about a possible problem That is the end of Part B. Now look at Part C.



#### Part C

In this part of the test, you'll hear two different extracts. In each extract, you'll hear health professionals talking about aspects of their work.

For questions 31-42, choose the answer (A, B or C) which fits best according to what you hear. Complete your answers as you listen.

Now look at extract one.

# Extract 1: Questions 31-36

You hear a geriatrician called Dr Clare Cox giving a presentation on the subject of end-of-life care for people with dementia.

u now	have 90 s	seconds to read <b>questions 31-36</b> .		
31.	What	problem does Dr Cox identify concerning dementia patients?		
	A	to educate young sportspeople in how to avoid getting it.		
	В	Their condition can develop in a number of different ways.		
	<b>(c)</b>	to provide a range of specialist advice about it.		
32.		did Dementia Australia decide to examine the issue of end-of-life ntia care?		
	A	There was a lack of reliable information on it.		
	В	The number of stories about poor care made it urgent.		
	C	There were enough data on which to base an effective care plan.		
33.	For Di	r Cox, the initial results of the dementia survey reveal that palliative care		
	<b>A</b>	was working more effectively than people had thought.		
	<b>B</b>	was more widely available than some users imagined.		
	<b>(c</b> )	was viewed negatively by medical professionals.		

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34.	Dr Cox	Dr Cox says that lack of knowledge of the law by care professionals		
	<b>(A</b> )	proves that family members should help make pain management decisions.		
	B	could be resulting in a surprisingly high number of premature deaths.		
	<b>(c</b> )	may lead to dementia patients experiencing unnecessary distress.		
35.	Dr Cox	thinks that the statistics she quotes on refusing treatment		
	A	illustrate a gap in current medical education programmes.		
	В	show how patients' wishes are too often misunderstood by carers.		
	<b>(C)</b>	demonstrate the particular difficulties presented by dementia patients		
36.	Dr Cox	makes the point that end-of-life planning is desirable because		
	A	it reduces the complexity of certain care decisions.		
	В	it avoids carers having to speculate about a patient's wishes.		
	<b>c</b>	it ensures that everyone receives the best possible quality of care.		

Now look at extract two.



# Extract 2: Questions 37-42

You hear a hospital doctor called Dr Keith Gardiner giving a presentation about some research he's done on the subject of staff-patient communication.

You now have 90 seconds to read questions 37-42.

37.	Dr Gardine	first became	interested i	in staff-patient	communication after
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- (A) experiencing poor communication as an in-patient.
- **B** observing the effects of poor communication on a patient.
- (c) analysing patient feedback data on the subject of communication.

#### **38.** What point does Dr Gardiner make about a typical admission to hospital?

- (A) The information given can overwhelm patients.
- B Patients often feel unable to communicate effectively.
- **c** Filling in detailed paperwork can be stressful for patients.

#### **39.** Dr Gardiner uses an example of poor communication to illustrate the point that

- (A) patients should be consulted about the desirability of a hospital stay.
- B specialists need to be informed if there are any mental health issues.
- c relatives' knowledge of a patient's condition shouldn't be taken for granted.



40.	Dr Gardiner explains that a survey conducted among in-patients about communication		
	<b>(A</b> )	measured the difference between their expectations and their actual experience.	
	B	asked their opinion about all aspects of the service they received.	
	<b>(C)</b>	included questions on how frequently they visited the hospital.	
41.	One c	ommon complaint arising from Dr Gardner's survey concerned	
	A	a lack of privacy for patients receiving sensitive information.	
	В	the over-use of unclear medical terminology with patients.	
	<b>(C)</b>	a tendency not to address patients in a respectful way.	
42.	How d	oes Dr Gardiner feel about the results of the survey?	
	A	surprised by one response from patients	
	В	reassured by the level of patient care identified	
	<b>c</b>	worried that unforeseen problems were highlighted	
That is	s the end	I of Part C.	
You n	ow have	two minutes to check your answers.	

**END OF THE LISTENING TEST** 

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