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Durée 45 minutes

- L'épreuve est individuelle. Les livres et dictionnaires sont interdits.
- Les 45 questions sont regroupées par compétence. Il n'y a qu'une seule bonne réponse par question.
- Avec un **stylo noir** ou un **feutre noir**, coche dans la GRILLE DE RÉPONSES, pour chaque question, la case correspondant à la bonne réponse.
- Le nombre de points attribués à chaque question dépend de sa difficulté :
  - les questions en blanc rapportent 5 points
  - les questions en gris rapportent 6 points
  - les questions en noir rapportent 7 points
- Une mauvaise réponse fait perdre un quart de sa valeur en points. Si aucune réponse n'est donnée à une question, elle rapporte 0 point. Si plusieurs réponses sont données à une question, elle rapporte 0 point.

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le login à 7 chiffres situé en haut à droite de ta grille réponses. Ce login te sera indispensable pour accéder à tes résultats sur internet.

### A At the cinema



- 1 In the photo, the young woman in the middle ....
- A. is talking on her phone      B. is eating popcorn  
C. has got a drink in her hand      D. is watching the film
- 2 The other people .... with her.
- A. are delighted      B. look annoyed  
C. feel amused      D. can't complain
- 3 The girl on the right is saying, "....."
- A. Stop saying that!      B. Turn that off!  
C. Please speak louder!      D. Could you repeat that?

### B Vocabulary

- 4 The opposite of "soft" is ".....".
- A. dry      B. light      C. hard      D. quiet
- 5 Complete the list: keyboard, screen, mouse, .....
- A. rabbit      B. laptop      C. guitar      D. cheese
- 6 "It's 7 o'clock. Is your sister .....?" "Yes, she's getting dressed."
- A. awful      B. away      C. awake      D. above
- 7 "You're driving too fast, Jim. You need to ..... . The speed limit here is 30 mph, not 40."
- A. hurry up      B. get off      C. slow down      D. put down
- 8 Find a name for this 'family' of words: tights, suit, belt.
- A. Houses      B. Health      C. Transport      D. Clothes

### C A magazine review

Our latest tech review comes from reader Sophia Dixon (age 14) in Leeds, England. If **you** have something to say about games or technology, send your email to [reader-reviews@teens&tech.com](mailto:reader-reviews@teens&tech.com)

#### The GameHub 3: Have you got one yet?

Without a doubt, GameHub still makes the best game consoles out there. The rest of the competition doesn't even come close. I was saving up to buy one but then I was lucky enough to receive the latest version, GameHub 3, as a fourteenth birthday present from my mum and dad.



Sophia Dixon

The new model includes some excellent new features. You can talk to your friends online and there are lots of games to choose from so you'll never get bored. Despite this, there are a few older titles that you can't play on the new system which was a bit disappointing. The other thing to think about is the price of the games – they're pretty expensive! However, you can find a bargain if you choose digital versions instead of going to the shops.



The GameHub 3

- 9 Who is Sophia Dixon?
- A. She is a journalist.  
B. She works in the tech industry.  
C. She makes computer games.  
D. She reads this magazine.
- 10 How did Sophia get her game console?
- A. She bought it with her own money.  
B. She won it in a competition.  
C. Her parents gave it to her.  
D. It was a gift from a friend.
- 11 Sophia says that .....
- A. there aren't many games for the new model  
B. some old games don't work with the new console  
C. you can't chat to your friends on the GameHub 3  
D. some games were a bit boring
- 12 Find the true sentence.
- A. Readers can send video game reviews to the magazine.  
B. Other companies make game consoles of similar quality.  
C. Some stores sell cheap GameHub 3 games.  
D. Sophie wasn't a fan of the new chat feature.

### D Grammar

- 13 "What ..... for, Mum?" "My phone. Ah, it's over there!"
- A. was searching      B. are you looking  
C. do you see      D. have you got
- 14 My brother is not ..... me at tennis.
- A. as good as      B. better  
C. the best      D. enough
- 15 ..... been to the new shopping centre in town yet?
- A. Did you      B. Will you  
C. Have you      D. Are you
- 16 ..... more time outdoors if the weather was nicer!
- A. He spent      B. I will spend  
C. I'd spend      D. We spend
- 17 The temple ..... by the Romans in the first century AD.
- A. was built      B. which built  
C. would build      D. was building

## E A photo



- 18 Look at the photo. The father looks ..... his daughter's work.
- A. confused about                      B. embarrassed by  
C. proud of                                D. angry with
- 19 Find the true sentence about the photo.
- A. The daughter is concentrating on what she is doing.  
B. The father is showing his daughter how to draw a house.  
C. The daughter looks like she would rather be doing something else.  
D. The father is not doing any of the work.
- 20 The father is probably saying "..... the good work!"
- A. Keep up                                B. Get up  
C. Hang on                                D. Give up
- 21 Find the list of words associated with decorating or homes.
- A. pillow, ladder, carpet                B. paint, wall, ice  
C. brush, golf, bucket                    D. leg, drawer, heating

## F English-speaking countries

- 22 In which Australian city will you find a famous opera house?
- A. Melbourne                              B. Sydney  
C. Perth                                      D. Canberra
- 23 ..... is made up of two main parts: North Island and South Island.
- A. New Zealand                            B. Great Britain  
C. The Republic of Ireland              D. South Africa
- 24 In the United States, ..... is on the fourth Thursday in ..... .
- A. Halloween ..... October            B. Independence Day ..... July  
C. Thanksgiving ..... November      D. Easter ..... April
- 25 One third of the buildings in London were destroyed in 1666 by ..... .
- A. the Blitz                                 B. the English Civil War  
C. the Great Plague of London         D. the Great Fire of London

## G Situations

- 26 It's Paul's grandma's birthday. He gives her some flowers as a gift. She's happy. What can she say?
- A. "Happy Birthday!"                    B. "How kind of you!"  
C. "They're my favourite flavour!"    D. "The same thing again?"
- 27 James has missed the bus home and calls his mum. His mum says, "..... I'll come and pick you up."
- A. Never mind.                            B. Have you lost your mind?  
C. You don't mind.                        D. Make up your mind.
- 28 A salesperson says "It's quiet, light and powerful. The cord is 5 metres long and it's great for picking up pet hair." What is he talking about?
- A. A hairdryer.                            B. A vacuum cleaner.  
C. An electric razor.                      D. A lawnmower.
- 29 Ben has romantic feelings for a girl called Lucy. He wants to tell her how he feels. What can he say to her?
- A. "I've got a crush on you."            B. "I think you're creepy."  
C. "Will you go away from me?"      D. "I'm into it."
- 30 Rose is talking about her friend Gemma. Rose says, "Gemma's nextdoor neighbours are so noisy! I don't know how she ..... them."
- A. puts up with                            B. gets over  
C. looks after                               D. calms down
- 31 Mark and his friend Jason are talking. After Jason says something, Mark says, "You can say that again." What does Mark mean?
- A. Mark wants Jason to repeat himself.  
B. Mark strongly agrees with what Jason said.  
C. Mark doesn't believe Jason.  
D. Mark wants other people to hear what Jason said.

## H Sounds

- 32 Find the word that rhymes with "lose".
- A. close                                      B. mouse                                    C. news                                      D. chose
- 33 Find the pair of words that **don't** rhyme.
- A. tale, tail                                B. hour, power                            C. enough, cough                        D. war, wore
- 34 "Education" = o o O o. "Responsible" = ..... .
- A. O o o o                                    B. o O o o                                    C. o o O o                                    D. o o o O

## I A social media post

Louis Williams posted Sunday at 4:21 PM

Rob, Jess and I had an amazing time at the Tuned In Festival yesterday. It was our first time at a music festival and it won't be the last! Next time I'd like to stay overnight in a tent and go to both days but my parents said I'm too young.



We saw lots of great acts on the main stage. The biggest surprise was Calista Miles because I've never been a fan of hers. Her voice was incredible live. Everyone in the crowd was singing along to her biggest hits. I even joined in to 'My Heart and You' and normally that song annoys me! The highlight though was a rapper called K-Dex. I didn't know his music before Saturday but I've already downloaded his album.

There were so many people at the festival! The only things that I didn't like were that the food stall prices were expensive and the toilets were pretty smelly by the evening! And I saw that there were long queues to use phone chargers, so next time I'll bring my own portable charger if I stay for the whole weekend.

- 35 We know that Louis ..... .
- A. spent the weekend at a festival      B. had a new experience yesterday  
C. slept in a tent on Saturday         D. and his friends went camping
- 36 Louis says that ..... .
- A. Calista Miles was his favourite performer of the festival  
B. Calista Miles was entertaining but has a weak voice  
C. he didn't expect to enjoy Calista Miles and he was right  
D. he sang a song that he doesn't usually like
- 37 Find the true sentence.
- A. A rapper who performed on Saturday has got a new fan.  
B. The only bad thing about Tuned In Festival was the cost of the food.  
C. Louis downloaded 'My Heart and You' this morning.  
D. Louis had to wait a long time to charge his phone.
- 38 Find the sentence that is **not true**.
- A. Despite a couple of issues, Louis is already planning his next visit.  
B. When Louis is older, his parents will let him camp at the festival.  
C. Louis didn't have his own mobile phone charger with him.  
D. The toilets remained clean the whole time.

## J Sentences

- 39 We know that the information ..... by someone in the company but we don't know whom.
- A. is giving                                B. didn't arrive  
C. was leaked                              D. escaped
- 40 When I moved to Spain from the UK, I wasn't able ..... the hot weather so ended ..... moving back to the UK.
- A. to use ..... it                        B. to be used to ..... to  
C. used to ..... for                      D. to get used to ..... up
- 41 The woman saw ..... and reported it to the police.
- A. a man grabbing a handbag          B. him to put the cash in a bag  
C. the thief has stolen money         D. the burglar broke the window

## K The Biggest Challenge

- 42 "To let the ..... out of the bag" means to reveal a secret.
- A. cat                                        B. snake                                    C. rat                                        D. spider
- 43 Complete the word: "It was nice to finally read some up..... news after all the depressing stories we've had recently."
- A. turning                                  B. rising                                  C. taking                                  D. lifting
- 44 The woman ..... gave a million dollars to charity.
- A. who are really rich                    B. , which was very wealthy,  
C. asked the celebrities to              D. that won the lottery
- 45 Black pudding and hash browns are sometimes served with ..... .
- A. an English breakfast                B. Christmas dinner in Britain  
C. Thanksgiving dinner in the US    D. afternoon tea in England