

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

Assessments**Unit 2 Review Test 2****Section 1: Listening**

 Listen to the radio show interview. Then choose the correct word or phrase to complete each statement, according to the information.

1. Eighty-four percent of executives believe success depends on _____.
 - a. innovation
 - b. integrity
 - c. technology
2. Many executives who say they want innovation tend to _____.
 - a. rapidly update their technology
 - b. develop new workflows and processes
 - c. fall back on old ways of doing things
3. Some managers discourage creativity by _____.
 - a. failing to find new ways to reach customers
 - b. not allowing employees to try new things
 - c. focusing too much on speed and efficiency
4. Managers who are risk-averse often _____.
 - a. listen carefully to their employees
 - b. are quick to leave their comfort zone
 - c. don't approve ideas with a chance of failure
5. One example of micromanaging is _____.
 - a. controlling every detail of a project
 - b. shooting down new ideas
 - c. trusting employees to do the job well

Section 2: Vocabulary Part A

Choose the correct element of music to complete each statement.

6. The unforgettable (**lyrics / voice / melody**) of this song is stuck in my head. I've been humming the same pattern of notes all day.
7. Prince gave the most memorable live music (**sound / beat / performance**) I've ever seen. When he danced onto the stage at the start of the concert, the audience went wild!

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

Section 2: Vocabulary Part B

Choose the correct adjective to complete each statement. There are five extra choices.

lively unique contemporary sentimental moving serious dated repetitive
--

8. The music was incredibly **(dated / moving / lively)**. I found myself close to tears after hearing it.
9. Even though this song is from 1965, it sounds so **(contemporary / sentimental / commercial)**. If I didn't know better, I'd guess it was recorded this year.
10. The movie was unusual and **(unique / dated / serious)**. I've never seen anything like it.

Section 2: Vocabulary Part C

Choose the correct personality trait to complete each sentence.

11. Maggie's son is **(egotistical / energetic / imaginative)**. He'll probably grow up to be a creative artist.
12. Clark is **(passionate / perceptive / difficult)** about the piano. He practices all the time and hopes to play on a great stage one day.
13. My brother is **(moody / eccentric / difficult)**. Nothing is ever good enough. There's just no pleasing him!

Section 3: Grammar Part A

Complete the sentences with the present perfect continuous form of the verb in parentheses.

14. It _____ for almost three hours now. (rain)
15. We _____ the same people walking their dogs every morning. (see)
16. Jane and Kara _____ the piano for an hour. (practice)
17. Ted _____ for three hours and still has two more to go. (drive)

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

Section 3: Grammar Part B**Rewrite each sentence as a cleft sentence with What.**

18. Jody can't stand when people are lazy.

19. Kelly can't get enough of the new TV show.

20. Michelle loves a crisp, fall day.

21. Hailey doesn't understand modern art.

Section 4: Speaking**Complete the conversations. Choose the correct statement to describe each person's preferences.**22. **A:** Do you like pop music?**B: (Honestly, it's not my favorite. / Yes, I think it's upbeat. / I always find it moving.)****A:** Oh, great. I have concert tickets on Friday. Come with me and we'll have a great time dancing.23. **A:** What do you think of this song?**B: (I think it's amazing. / I'm not too crazy about it. / It's upbeat.)****A:** I agree. I don't really like it, either.24. **A:** Did you like the movie?**B: (Yes, I found it thought-provoking. / Not sure. I found it silly and weird. / No, I found it boring and depressing.)****A:** Me too. I'm still thinking about it several hours later!25. **A:** I love the new BTS song!**B: Really? (It's just not my cup of tea. / What I love are the great dance beats. / I haven't heard it yet.)****A:** How can you not like it? It's catchy and you can dance to it!26. **A:** I love music from the 1970s, what about you?**B: I agree! (Music today is upbeat. / Music today is too commercial. / Music today is lively and fun.)****A:** You're right. Today's music is not my favorite.

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

27. **A:** How did you like the play?**B:** It was not my cup of tea. **(It was kind of sentimental. / It was very contemporary. / The performances were lively.)****A:** I agree. A lot of the acting was over the top!28. **A:** I like the new Billie Eilish song.**B:** Me too! **(I'm crazy about it. / It's not my cup of tea. / I could do without it.)****A:** We should see if she's doing a concert anytime soon.29. **A:** I dislike the opera.**B:** Really? **(It's not my cup of tea. / I prefer it. / I'm not into it, either.)****A:** No way! Opera always makes me fall asleep!**Section 5: Reading****Read the article about the creative mind. Then read each statement. Choose the information from the article that supports each idea.****Deconstructing the Creative Mind**

One could argue that it's the creative mind that has most shaped human life on earth and contributed towards the development of civilization. From the beginning, we've tapped into the power of our imagination. Despite its important role, this unique quality has proven difficult to quantify. What's special about the minds that have pushed us beyond our existing ways of thinking? Is there a mysterious process that helps generate original ideas? What are the characteristics of those visionaries who alone can see new possibilities?

Creative people have different brains

Studies suggest that creative people have structurally different brains than everyone else. Researchers have used a scanning method called voxel-based morphometry to study differences in brain anatomy. The brains of artists showed increased neural matter— the brain tissue that processes information— in areas associated with creativity. For example, brain scans revealed that artists have significantly more neural matter in an area of the brain called the precuneus. This region is believed to be involved in the ability to manipulate visual images.

Creative people share certain traits

While it's clear that each mind is unique, studies of highly creative people do indicate some common characteristics. Interestingly, some of these traits seem at first glance to be contradictory.

They're playful yet intensely focused. Creative people frequently enjoy diving down into rabbit holes—they experiment with new ideas for the joy of intellectual discovery, even if it seems unrelated to their larger, more practical goals. Paradoxically, once they begin investigating an idea, creative people often spend hours focused on it, even forgoing sleep or food in the process.

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

They're ambitious but willing to take big risks. Creative individuals often set big goals for themselves and demonstrate a strong internal desire to succeed. Once on the path of achieving these objectives, they commit themselves wholeheartedly to attaining them. Nonetheless, creative people tend to be much more willing to go outside of their comfort zone to try novel ideas. They worry less about failure, viewing it as a lesson learned and a step closer to a better outcome.

They're open-minded yet independent. Creative people are more likely to value different perspectives. They take the time to elicit input from others, understand their opinions and methods, and explore all the possibilities. While they enjoy collaboration, they often prefer to do most of their work alone. This gives them the freedom to do things their own way and at their own pace, without interference from others.

30. Creative people have different brains.

- a. The brains of artists showed increased neural matter in areas associated with creativity.
- b. It's the creative mind that has most shaped human life on earth.
- c. Voxel-based morphometry scanning technology is used to study brain anatomy.

31. Creative people have contradictory traits.

- a. They take the time to elicit input from others and understand their opinions.
- b. They often set big goals for themselves but worry less about failure.
- c. They tend to be much more willing to dive down into rabbit holes.

32. Creative people are independent.

- a. They enjoy collaboration and are more likely to value different perspectives.
- b. They prefer the freedom to do things their own way and at their own pace.
- c. They set big goals and commit themselves wholeheartedly to attaining them.

33. Creative people are more willing to take risks.

- a. They often spend hours investigating an idea, even forgoing sleep or food.
- b. They demonstrate a strong internal desire to succeed at their goals.
- c. They are much more willing to go outside of their comfort zone to try novel ideas.