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Assessments**Unit 1 Review Test 1****Section 1: Listening Part A**

 **Listen to the podcast about job interviews. Then choose the correct answer to each question, according to the information.**

1. What's an advantage of remote video interviews?
 - a. You don't have to worry about traveling to an unfamiliar office.
 - b. You can dress less formally than for an in-person interview.
 - c. You don't have to set aside as much time to prepare.
2. What type of background is the best for video interviews?
 - a. a virtual background that matches your personality and sense of humor.
 - b. a shelf with books or artwork that shows your taste and intelligence.
 - c. a simple or blurred background that doesn't distract the interviewer's attention.
3. What's the best way to sell yourself during the interview?
 - a. Summarize all of your skills, experience, and accomplishments.
 - b. Give examples of how your skills and experience match the position.
 - c. Identify your professional goals and the type of position you're seeking.

Section 1: Listening Part B

 **Listen to the podcast again. Then read about each job interviewee. Which actions followed the suggestions on the podcast for each topic? Choose all the correct choices.**

4. Being prepared
 - a. I received a link to the video interview a day ahead. I clicked on the link right away and made sure I didn't need to create an account before joining the meeting.
 - b. I located a quiet Internet cafe nearby where I could rejoin the interview if my Wi-Fi suddenly failed.
 - c. My Internet connection is weak at home and the video kept freezing during the interview. I turned off my camera and that helped improve the quality of the audio connection.

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5. Talking about failure

- a. I missed an important deadline. I explained that it wasn't my fault because the deadline was unreasonable and not enough resources were assigned to the team.
- b. My project went over budget. I explained how I learned from my mistakes and that, by finding ways to lower costs, my next project came in 12% under budget.
- c. Instead of admitting to my own failures, I described how I rectified mistakes that my colleagues made.

Section 2: Vocabulary**Choose the correct phrase to complete each statement.**

- 6. Jane has **(decided on / been rejected by / applied to)** a career in fashion.
- 7. Vaughn changed his college major. He was studying math but **(decided on / switched to / rejected)** computer science because he found it more interesting.
- 8. Cara **(signed up for / applied for / enrolled in)** a job at a coffee shop this summer. We hope she gets it!
- 9. Tim is passionate about conservation. It's no surprise that he's **(rejected by / applied for / taken up)** environmental studies at the university.
- 10. Heather **(applied / decided / enrolled)** to a writing program at a university in London.
- 11. Max **(was accepted / signed / switched)** up for a coding class to improve his computer programming skills.
- 12. Jennifer was thrilled to be **(accepted / enrolled / applied)** by her first-choice university.
- 13. Diego was disappointed to be **(decided / rejected / applied)** by the theater program he'd applied to.

Section 3: Grammar Part A**Choose the past perfect continuous or simple past to complete the paragraph.**

- I **14. (lived / had been living)** in San José, Costa Rica, for a month when I finally **15. (found / had been finding)** work. I got a job in finance at a bank. On my first day, I **16. (worked / had been working)** with another employee for more than ten minutes before I **17. (recognized / had been recognizing)** him. His name was Carlos, and we had taken classes together in college.

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Section 3: Grammar Part B

Choose the correct adverb from the box to complete each statement or question.
There are four extra choices.

ever	never	once	recently	so far	still	twice	yet
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18. Have you _____ thought about changing careers?
19. I've been filling out a lot of college applications _____.
20. My sister has _____ studied photography, but she takes great pictures.
21. John has been rejected by law school _____ but he's going to try a third time.

Section 4: Speaking Part A

Choose the correct phrases from the box to complete the conversation. There is one extra choice.

cut out for	if I'm wrong	look into it	more than happy to	steer me	what brings you
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- A: Hi, Clark, **22.** _____ here today?
- B: Hi, Dr. Green. I'd like some advice. I've been considering switching to marine biology.
- A: Marine biology. Correct me **23.** _____, but weren't you majoring in economics?
- B: Yes, but I've given it some thought, and I've decided I'm not **24.** _____ economics.
- A: I see. So how can I help?
- B: Well, I want to enroll in a good program. I was hoping you could **25.** _____ in the right direction.
- A: Let me **26.** _____. I'll get back to you by next week.
- B: That's great.
- A: No problem. And if you decide to apply, let me know if you need a letter of recommendation.

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Section 4: Speaking Part B**Choose the correct phrase to complete each conversation.****27. A:** Hi, Aaron. How can I help you?**B:** I'd like to change my course of study. _____, and I'd like to switch from literature to economics.**A:** OK. That's quite a change. I can help you with that, though.

- a. I've given it a lot of thought
- b. I'd be more than happy to
- c. I'll get back to you

28. A: I'd like some advice. I'm thinking about taking up environmental science.**B:** _____, but haven't you been studying biology?**A:** Yes, but I don't think it's the right career for me.

- a. I'd be more than happy to
- b. How can I help
- c. Correct me if I'm wrong

29. A: I'm thinking about taking a class in literature.**B:** Haven't you been studying business?**A:** Yes, but I've decided _____.

- a. I'm not cut out for business
- b. I'll get back to you soon
- c. I'd be more than happy to

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Section 5: Reading Part A

Read the article. Then choose the correct answer to each question, according to the information.

Ready for a Vocation Vacation?

Many people fantasize about their dream job. But have you ever wondered what it would be like to actually do that work? It can take years to get the training and develop the expertise needed for a new career. What if, after all that preparation, you found that you didn't enjoy the job as much as you expected or just weren't cut out for it? One company has an enterprising solution: Pivot Planet has been connecting people with their passions by providing real career and life experience from experts in hundreds of exciting fields.

Before he founded Pivot Planet, Brian Kurth had been working a dead-end job. Although interested in becoming a dog trainer, he was anxious about switching to an occupation he had no experience with. To learn if the job was a good fit, he located a mentor—a dog trainer who could tell him about the work and everything it involved. Kurth learned a lot and his friends began asking him for help finding mentors for jobs they were interested in.

Kurth saw the value of this kind of service, so he decided to turn his idea into a business. In 2004, he started the first iteration of his company as Vocation Vacations. Clients (called “vocationers”) were matched with a mentor and invited into their business for 2–3 days. People could test-drive the job of their dreams and see what it was really like. By 2005, the company was offering experiences with over 75 interesting jobs around the world, including baseball team manager, radio DJ, and race car driver. In 2006, there was even a reality TV show based on Kurth's idea called *This Job Is a Trip!* Contestants were placed in their ideal profession and given a series of challenges to see if they could survive or were better suited for their existing jobs.

In 2012, difficult economic conditions led Kurth to reimagine his company; instead of having clients travel to a workplace, he connected them with mentors via more affordable video conferencing. Rebranded as Pivot Planet, the service continues to connect people looking to pivot to a new career with expert advisors who can answer questions and offer insights into hundreds of professions. While many clients seek advice about glamorous careers in music, film, and fashion, Kurth reports that the most popular requests are for more practical occupations: bakers, pet day-care owners, and bed and breakfast managers.

What's your dream job? Would you be interested in career counseling from an expert in that field?

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30. What caused Kurth to start his own business?
- a. He wanted to change careers but was unsure if the new job would be a good match for him.
 - b. He was inspired to try a new job while he was visiting a foreign country on vacation.
 - c. He wanted to become a career counselor and thought this would be a fun way to do it.
31. What service did Kurth's first business, Vocation Vacations, offer?
- a. It allowed people to travel while learning more about their career options.
 - b. It allowed people to start a new job without quitting their old job.
 - c. It allowed people to spend a few days working in a career of their choice.

Section 5: Reading Part B

Read the article in Part A again. Notice the underlined words. Then choose the correct phrase to complete each definition.

32. If you aren't cut out for something, you _____.
- a. don't have the right qualities or abilities
 - b. are chosen as the best person to try it
 - c. you are qualified but want to do something else
33. When you test-drive something, you _____.
- a. make a commitment to buy or use it
 - b. travel a long distance to get to it
 - c. try it for a short time to see if it's a good