Places in Town and Directions – Test 1

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Choose the best answer (A, B, C or D) for each question.

Part 1: Places in town

Choose the correct place to complete each sentence or answer each question.

1. You can borrow books for free at the _____.
   A bookshop **B** library **C** museum **D** bakery
2. I need to send a letter and buy some stamps. I'm going to the _____.
   A police station **B** car park **C** post office **D** pharmacy
3. Where do you usually buy medicine?
   A at the stadium **B** at the library **C** at the butcher's **D** at the pharmacy
4. My car is in the _____ behind the supermarket.
   A bus stop **B** car park **C** playground **D** crossroads
5. The children are playing on the swings in the _____.
   A playground **B** factory **C** bank **D** hospital
6. Which place is NOT a place to eat?
   A restaurant **B** café **C** cinema **D** pizzeria
7. A _____ is a building where you can see old and interesting objects from history.
   A gym **B** swimming pool **C** hotel **D** museum
8. You can catch a train at the _____.
   A bus stop **B** airport **C** train station **D** harbour
9. Let's go to the _____ tonight. There's a new film I want to see.
   A cinema **B** gallery **C** gym **D** market
10. I want to open an account to save my money. I need to go to the _____.
    A bakery **B** garage **C** bank **D** hairdresser's

Part 2: Asking for and giving directions

Choose the correct word or phrase to complete each sentence, or choose the best answer.

11. Go straight _____ until you get to the traffic lights.
    A on **B** in **C** at **D** by
12. Turn _____ at the second street.
    A to left **B** on left **C** left **D** the left
13. The bank is _____ the post office and the café.
    A among **B** between **C** next **D** through

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14. The hotel is _____ the station. Just cross the road and you're there.
A behind **B** next **C** among **D** opposite

15. Which sentence is correct?
A The museum is in your left. **B** The museum is on your left.
C The museum is at your left. **D** The museum is by your left.

16. Excuse me, can you tell me the _____ to the stadium?
A road **B** street **C** way **D** travel

17. The supermarket is on the _____ of Green Street and Park Road.
A corner **B** angle **C** side **D** edge

18. _____ the bridge and the park is on your right.
A Across **B** Through **C** Along **D** Cross

19. A: Is the library far from here? B: _____
A Yes, turn left. **B** No, it's only a five-minute walk.
C It's open at nine o'clock. **D** No, it's a library.

20. Walk _____ the river for about 200 metres, then turn right.
A between **B** under **C** along **D** into

Part 3: Collocations and word families

Choose the word that best completes each sentence.

21. The _____ in the city centre is terrible at 5 p.m. There are too many cars.
A traffic **B** traffics **C** crowd **D** road

22. My town is very _____ in summer because lots of tourists visit it.
A business **B** busily **C** busy **D** busier

23. Take the number 12 _____ from outside the hotel. It goes to the beach.
A way **B** bus **C** road **D** walk

24. Can you _____ me how to get to the market, please?
A say **B** explain **C** speak **D** tell

25. There's a big _____ centre with fifty shops near my flat.
A shopping **B** shop **C** shops **D** shopper

Part 4: Reading – Directions to a friend's flat

Read the message and choose the best answer for each question.

Hi Leo,

I'm so happy you're coming to visit on Saturday! Here's how to get to my flat from the train station.

When you come out of the station, turn right and walk along Mill Street. Go past the cinema and the post office. At the traffic lights, turn left into Rose Avenue. Walk straight on for about five minutes. You'll see a small park on your right. My building is opposite the park, next to a bakery. It's a tall white building with a blue door. My flat is on the third floor, number 32.

If you're tired, you can take the number 7 bus from the bus stop in front of the station. Get off at the second stop, Rose Avenue. It's quicker, but walking is nice if the weather is good.

There's a supermarket on the corner of Rose Avenue, so we can buy some food for dinner there.

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See you soon!

Amira

26. What should Leo do first when he comes out of the station?

A turn left **B** turn right **C** cross the road **D** take a taxi

27. What does Leo walk past on Mill Street?

A the park and the bakery
B the supermarket and the bank
C the cinema and the post office
D the library and the café

28. Where is Amira's building?

A next to the park
B behind the supermarket
C opposite the park
D at the traffic lights

29. Where can Leo catch the number 7 bus?

A in front of the station
B on Mill Street
C near the park
D next to the bakery

30. Amira says the bus is 'quicker'. This means the bus _____.

A is cheaper
B takes less time
C is more comfortable
D is safer

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Answer key – Places in Town and Directions – Test 1

1 B	2 C	3 D	4 B	5 A	6 C	7 D	8 C	9 A	10 C
11 A	12 C	13 B	14 D	15 B	16 C	17 A	18 D	19 B	20 C
21 A	22 C	23 B	24 D	25 A	26 B	27 C	28 C	29 A	30 B

Explanations

1. **B** – A library lends books for free; a bookshop sells them.
2. **C** – You send letters and buy stamps at the post office.
3. **D** – A pharmacy is the shop that sells medicine.
4. **B** – A car park is a place where people leave their cars.
5. **A** – A playground is an area with swings where children play.
6. **C** – A cinema is a place to watch films, not a place to have a meal.
7. **D** – A museum shows old and interesting objects to visitors.
8. **C** – Trains leave from a train station.
9. **A** – You watch films at the cinema.
10. **C** – You open an account and keep your money at a bank.
11. **A** – The fixed phrase is 'go straight on'.
12. **C** – We say 'turn left' with no preposition or article.
13. **B** – We use 'between' for something in the middle of two places.
14. **D** – 'Opposite' means on the other side of the road, facing it.
15. **B** – The correct phrase is 'on your left'.
16. **C** – We ask for 'the way to' a place.
17. **A** – The place where two streets meet is called the corner.
18. **D** – We need a verb here; 'cross' means go from one side to the other.
19. **B** – This answer tells the person how far the library is.
20. **C** – 'Along' means following the side of something long, like a river.
21. **A** – 'Traffic' means the cars on the road and is uncountable, so it has no -s.
22. **C** – After 'very' we need the adjective 'busy'.
23. **B** – We say 'take the number 12 bus'.
24. **D** – We say 'tell me how to'; 'say me' and 'explain me' are incorrect.
25. **A** – The common collocation is 'shopping centre'.
26. **B** – The message says 'When you come out of the station, turn right'.
27. **C** – Amira writes 'Go past the cinema and the post office'.
28. **C** – The text says her building is opposite the park, next to a bakery.
29. **A** – The bus stop is in front of the station.
30. **B** – 'Quicker' means faster, so the journey takes less time.

Notes for teachers: Use this test after a unit on the town or directions, or as a quick diagnostic before role-plays. It targets typical A2 errors such as 'in your left' instead of 'on your left', 'turn to left', 'explain me' and confusing similar places such as library and bookshop. As a follow-up, give students a simple town map and ask them to write directions from one place to another using the vocabulary from the test.

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