

## PTE Reading Practice Test 9 Answers

Ques 1. A. Supplements taken in excess can be a bad thing indeed.

Ques 2. C. at various points, parents can take advantage of their children's desire to play a musical instrument.

Ques 3. [B]. An accepted way of measuring time is essential for the smooth functioning of society.

Ques 4. [A]. Differing opinions on slavery contributed to the Civil War.

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- (1) discover
- (2) alternative
- (3) enhance
- (4) theorized
- (5) affection

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- (1) choices
- (2) fork
- (3) sorry
- (4) both
- (5) direction

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- (1) cosmopolitan
- (2) sandy
- (3) peaceful
- (4) bustling
- (5) crowded

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- (1) improve
- (2) empathy
- (3) listen
- (4) increased
- (5) positive

9. B

10. B

11. B) Accidental head injury

12. C) It had some positive and some negative consequences

13. Option C, E, F

14. A, C, F

15. B, D,E

16. One day, Jonathan is met by two gulls who take him to a "higher plane of existence" in which there is no heaven but a better world found through perfection of knowledge. In this new place, Jonathan befriends the wisest gull, Chiang, who takes him beyond his previous learning, teaching him how to move instantaneously to anywhere else in the Universe.

The secret, Chiang says, is to "begin by knowing that you have already arrived."

Not satisfied with his new life, Jonathan returns to Earth to find others like him, to bring them his learning and to spread his love for flight.

Ultimately, the very first of his students, Fletcher Lynd Seagull, becomes a teacher in his own right, and Jonathan leaves to teach other flocks.

17. Some psychologists advocate a positive psychology, and explicitly embrace an empirical selfhelp philosophy. According to them, the role of positive psychology is to become a bridge between the ivory tower and the main street—between the rigor of academe and the fun of the self-help movement." They aim to refine the self-improvement field by way of an intentional increase in scientifically sound research and well-engineered models. The division of focus and methodologies has produced several subfields, in particular: general positive psychology; and personal effectiveness. This includes the intentional training of new patterns of thought and feeling.

18. The film "The Red Balloon", tells of Pascal, who, on his way to school one morning, discovers a large red balloon.

As Pascal plays with his new-found toy, he realizes it has a mind of its own. It begins to follow him wherever he goes.

The balloon follows Pascal through the streets of Paris, and they draw inquisitive looks from adults and the envy of other children as they wander the streets.

At one point it enters his classroom, causing an uproar from his classmates which alerts the principal, who becomes angry with him and locks him up in his office until school is over.

At another, he and the balloon encounter a little girl with a blue one that also seems to have a mind of its own too.

19. aspect, sustained, standard, consistently, undergoing

20. purposes, heighten, discern, direction

21. limitation, frequency, intentionally, downward

22. eventually, skilled, specialised, eradicated, traditional

23. administered, developed, proficiency, consequences, constrained

24. combination, creates, prevalent, anticipatory, comprehending

25. consensus, enterprise, objectives, impressed, supporters

26. creative, collectively, access, convey, questionable

27. predictable, structure, acquisition, contractual, transitions