

Conversation1: <http://www.elllo.org/english/1351/T1369-Meg-01-Military.htm>

Conversation2: <http://img.kmf.com//toefl//listening//TPO//TPO-11-C1.mp3>

News: <https://www.voanews.com/a/for-those-who-can-t-read-a-new-way-to-use-mobile-devices/4785167.html>

Lecture: [https://www.ted.com/talks/lera\\_boroditsky\\_how\\_language\\_shapes\\_the\\_way\\_we\\_think?language=en#t-6821](https://www.ted.com/talks/lera_boroditsky_how_language_shapes_the_way_we_think?language=en#t-6821)

## I. Conversation 1

Listen to the conversation. For questions 1 and 2, write the answer to the question in the space provided. Write clearly and concisely. For questions 3-5, circle the letter of the answer that best answers the question.

1. When did the woman enlist for the military? \_\_\_\_\_

2. How long was the woman in the military? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What does the woman say about the gender ratio in the military?

- (a) There are more men.
- (b) There are more women.
- (c) It is about 50-50.
- (d) She's not sure.

4. What does the woman say about the activities of the military?

- (a) Men have to carry heavier boxes than women.
- (b) Meals portions are small so you can eat quickly.
- (c) The training sessions are very slow.
- (d) Women have to do the same training as men.

5. Does the woman recommend other women to work for the military?

- (a) Yes, women should definitely do it.
- (b) Yes, if the women is interested.
- (c) No, it's not for women.
- (d) No, it's not for children.

## II. Conversation 2

Listen to the conversation. For questions 6-8, circle the letter of the answer that best answers the question. For questions 9 and 10, write the answer to the question in the space provided.

Write clearly and concisely.

6. Where does this conversation most likely take place?

- (a) in the pool
- (b) in the classroom
- (c) at the athletic center
- (d) at the park

7. Why is the student upset?

- (a) She cannot get her gym card.
- (b) She cannot use the swimming pool.
- (c) She has to pay extra for lessons.
- (d) Some students do not have to pay.

8. What do students have to do first to take lessons?

- (a) register
- (b) pay a fee
- (c) swim for the instructor

(d) swing for the instructor

9. How much are the swimming lessons? \_\_\_\_\_

10. When is the student's appointment? \_\_\_\_\_

### III. News

Listen to the news. Mark the following statements as either true or false by circling the answer.

11. Illiterate people were not able to use smart phones before this new phone. True / False

12. The new phone is sold only in India. True / False

13. The new phone uses images, videos, and voice assisting technology. True / False

14. The new phone needs only the last four digits of the phone number to call someone.

True / False

### IV. Lecture

Listen to the conversation. For questions 15-17, write the answer to the question in the space provided. Write clearly and concisely. For questions 18-22, circle the letter of the answer that best answers the question.

15. According to the speaker, how many languages are currently spoken in the world?

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16. In which country do the Kuuk Thaayorre people live? \_\_\_\_\_

17. According to the speaker, how do you say “hello” in the Kuuk Thaayorre language?

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18. What point did the speaker try to make by showing pictures of penguins?

- (a) Time is connected to the landscape.
- (b) Some languages do not have exact number words.
- (c) Children have a little linguistic trick.
- (d) The audience can count penguins.

19. Based on what the speaker said, which of the adjectives below would Spanish speakers use to describe the sun. There may be more than one answer.

- (a) strong
- (b) elegant
- (c) beautiful
- (d) large
- (e) cute

20. According to the speaker, which statement is true regarding color?

- (a) English speakers can see blue colors better.
- (b) English has many words for the color blue.
- (c) People’s brains react when color categories change.
- (d) People’s brains react faster when they see blue.

21. According to the speaker, which statement is true regarding seeing accidents?

- (a) Spanish speakers remember incidents better than English speakers.
- (b) Spanish speakers remember testimonies better than English speakers.
- (c) English speakers remember the intentions better than Spanish speakers.
- (d) English speakers remember the people better than Spanish speakers.

22. What is the main argument of the speaker?

- (a) There are many interesting languages around the world.
- (b) Language can influence how humans understand the world.
- (c) The various languages around the world are disappearing.
- (d) Language is used to transmit ideas across the world.