

GT Reading Mock Test 22:

Part 2: Question 15-26

You should spend about **20** minutes on Questions **15-26** which are based on the text below.

GT Reading: Which direction for a career?

Read the Reviews below and answer **Questions 15-26**.

Which direction for a career?

To examine your career options, you should first gather as much information as possible.

Here are some places where you can get advice.

School

Your careers library will have some basic information on a variety of occupations. Ask the librarian questions like:

- What does someone with this job do?

- What subjects do I need to study?
- What courses are available?
- How long will it take to train?

Also, use careers advisors to expand your list of career ideas by finding out about related options. Many schools have work experience programs which give you the chance to check out a job which interests you.

Career Information Centres

Resources in these centres include printed information about jobs and tertiary study reference materials such as university and college handbooks. There are 12 Career Information Centres throughout the country. Assistance from the staff is also available.

Employers

You could talk to employers in areas you find interesting. You might ask them questions such as:

- What are the most demanding aspects of this work?
- What is the most preferred method of entry?

- Are there courses which will prepare me for this work?

Parents, friends, relatives

Relatives and friends can be helpful in giving you insights into the daily routine of an occupation. By questioning them, you can expand your knowledge of the work. Another option is to use this group to arrange industry contacts or check out possible vacancies.

Universities and colleges

These institutions have careers advisors for prospective students. You can also take advantage of their open days. During these days, you can have a look at the facilities offered- and chat to the students and lecturers.

Internet

Don't forget the Internet. One great site to start at is the government careers directory.

Getting it all together

You will no doubt, gather lots of information, but it is easy to forget details, so you should collect the information using a folder or filing system. Check that your information is kept up-to-date.

Questions 15-20

Complete the summary below.

Use **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS** from the text 'Which direction for a career?',

Write your answers in boxes 15-20 on the answer sheet.

Complete the summary below:

Both schools and universities have **15** to assist students with job information. Schools may also run **16** for practice at specific jobs. There are several **17** which advise clients on careers. Acquaintances can sometimes provide **18** and colleges also hold **19** Finally, for those with access to the Internet, the **20** is a useful source of information.

Questions 21-26

Do the following statements agree with the information given in the reading passage?

In boxes **21-26** on your answer sheet, write

TRUE if the statement agrees with the information

FALSE if the statement contradicts the information

NOT GIVEN if there is no information on this

- 21. Job seekers should speak to their school principals about future careers.
- 22. Career Information Centres do not offer information on tertiary courses.
- 23. Prospective employers could be consulted.
- 24. Job opportunities may be discovered through friends.
- 25. Tertiary institutions encourage prospective students to enrol in their courses.
- 26. Job seekers should keep all their information in one place.

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15. a careers library (careers advisors) 16. work experience programs 17. Career Information Centres 18. industry contacts (insights) 19. open days 20. government careers directory 21. NOT GIVEN 22. FALSE 23. TRUE 24. TRUE 25. NOT GIVEN 26. TRUE