

First Certificate in English Online Practice Test Free Sample

How to complete the FCE Online Practice Test Free Sample: Listening

Welcome to the First Certificate in English Online Practice Test Free Sample. This is the Listening Test tutorial. The following instructions will show you how to complete the free sample test.

Mode Screen

You can sit this free sample test in either Test Mode or Learner Mode. To sit the test under exam conditions, click YES against the Test Mode option.

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Learner Mode Options

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DICTIONARY - You can look up any words in the test using the dictionary. YES NO

CHECK ANSWERS - You can check if your answers are correct or incorrect. YES NO

CLOCK - A clock will count down the test time. It will also tell you when the test time has finished. YES NO

AUDIO CONTROLS - You can play, stop and pause the sound during the test. YES NO

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Within the Learner Mode there are several options:

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CLOCK: This option allows you to see a clock that will count down the test time.

AUDIO CONTROLS: This option allows you to play, stop and pause the sound during the test.

TRANSCRIPT: This option allows you to see a copy of the recorded text which you can print out.

If you do not want all of these options you can select which ones you want by clicking the YES and NO buttons on the screen.

Once you are ready to take the free sample Online Practice Test, click START TEST to begin.

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You can change the volume by clicking on the plus or minus buttons at the bottom of the screen at any time during the test.

The instructions for each part of the test are in the box at the top of the screen.

Listen carefully for the Part number and Question numbers to make sure you are looking at the right screen.

In the full test you will be asked to answer all questions in each part of the test. For this free sample test you will hear a shortened audio and answer only the highlighted questions in each part.

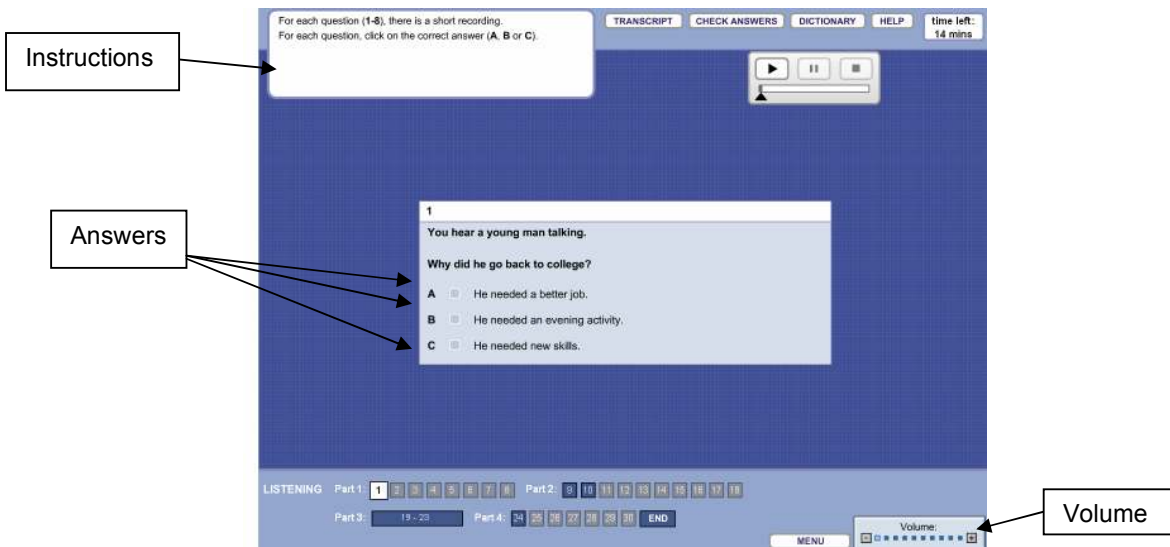
Part 1 and Part 4

To answer a question in Parts 1 or 4, choose one of the answers, for example, A, B or C.

Click on the button next to the answer that you have chosen.

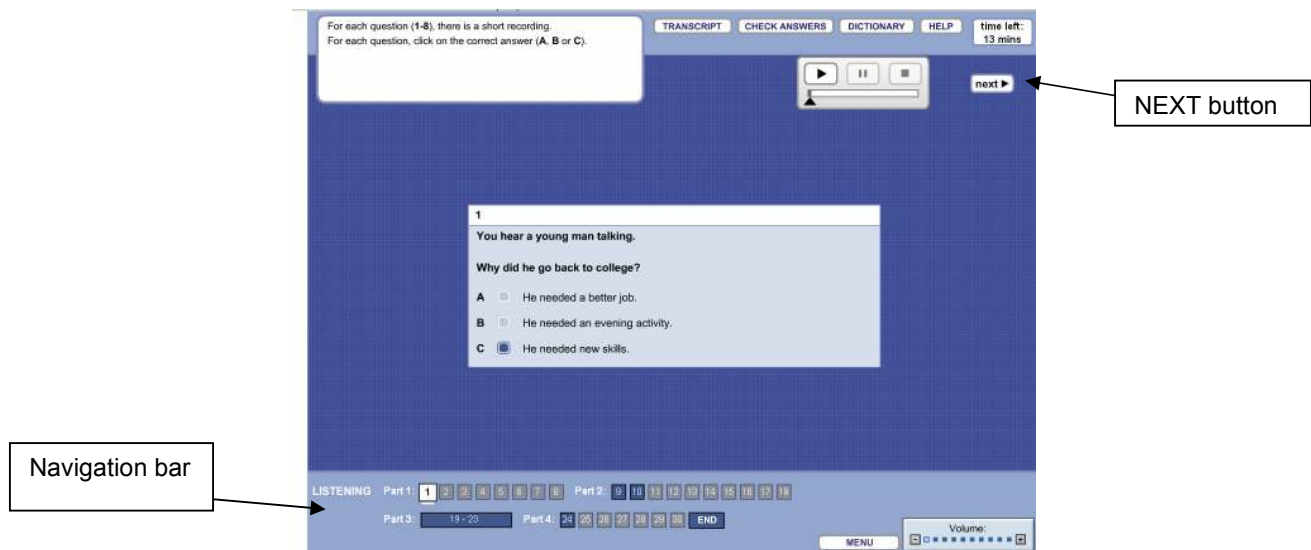
If you want to change your answer, click on another button.

If you want to leave the question unanswered, click on the button again.



You can use the navigation at the bottom of the screen, or click on the NEXT button to move from one question to the next question. The NEXT button appears when you have answered a question.

The navigation shows which questions you have answered. A line appears under the question number if you have answered the question.



Part 2

To answer a question in Part 2, type your answer in the space on the screen.

Use the scroll bar on the right of the screen to see all the text.

You will have 1 minute after Part 2 to check your answers.



Part 3

To answer a question in Part 3, click on the correct answer....

....and move it into the space.

If you want to change your answer, move another answer into the space.

If you want to leave the question unanswered, move the answer back.

The screenshot shows the Part 3 interface. On the left, under the heading "Question spaces", there are five input fields labeled "Speaker 1" through "Speaker 5". Speaker 1 contains the number "19", Speaker 2 contains "20", Speaker 3 contains "21", Speaker 4 contains "22", and Speaker 5 contains "23". On the right, under the heading "Answers", there is a list of six options: "ignoring someone's advice", "failing to inform someone about something", "mistaking someone's identity", "arriving somewhere too early", "getting a particular date wrong", and "losing something important". At the top, there are buttons for "TRANSCRIPT", "CHECK ANSWERS", "DICTIONARY", and "HELP", along with a "time left: 13 mins" indicator. At the bottom, there is a "LISTENING" section with a progress bar and a "MENU" button.

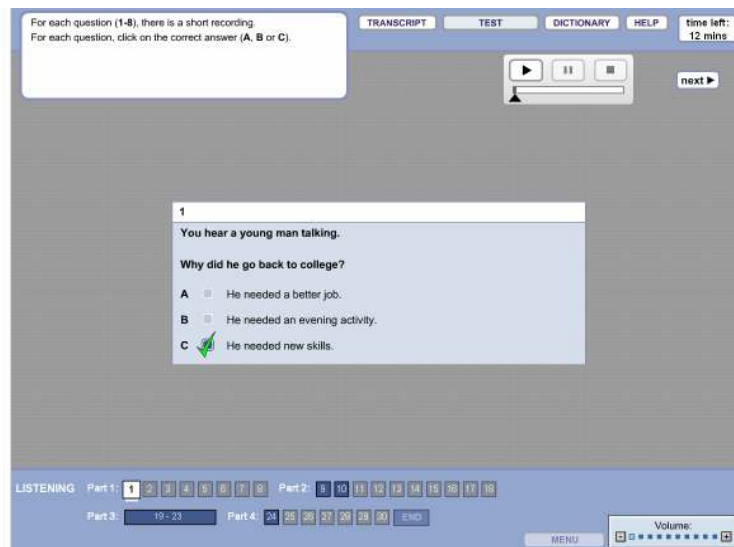
You can review and change your answers at any time until the end of the test.

Learner Mode Functions

If you want to check your answers during the test, click on the CHECK ANSWERS button.

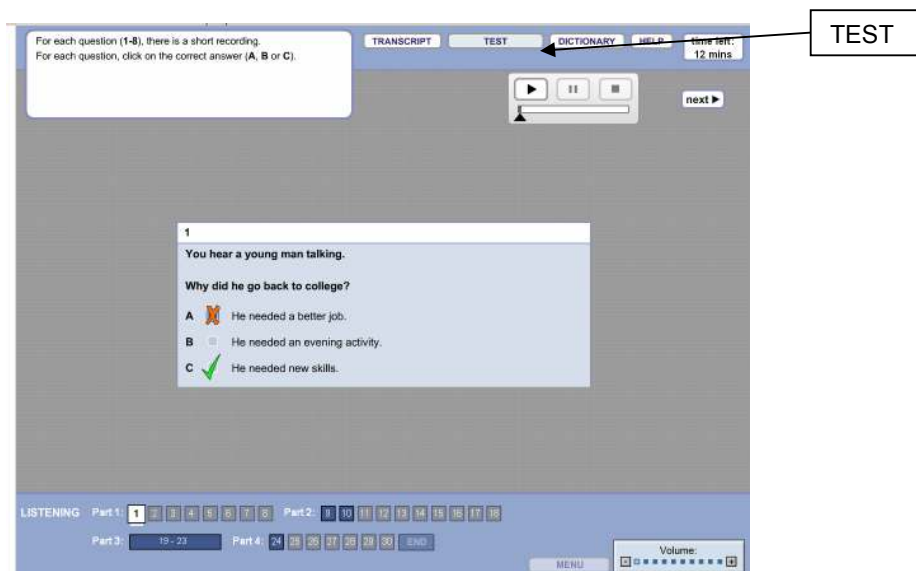
The screenshot shows the Part 3 interface with a question displayed. The question is: "You hear a young man talking. Why did he go back to college?". There are three options: A. He needed a better job., B. He needed an evening activity., and C. He needed new skills. Option C is selected. At the top, there are buttons for "TRANSCRIPT", "CHECK ANSWERS", "DICTIONARY", and "HELP", along with a "time left: 13 mins" indicator. At the bottom, there is a "LISTENING" section with a progress bar and a "MENU" button. An arrow points from the "CHECK ANSWERS" button to a label "CHECK ANSWERS".

If your answer is correct a tick will appear next to your answer.

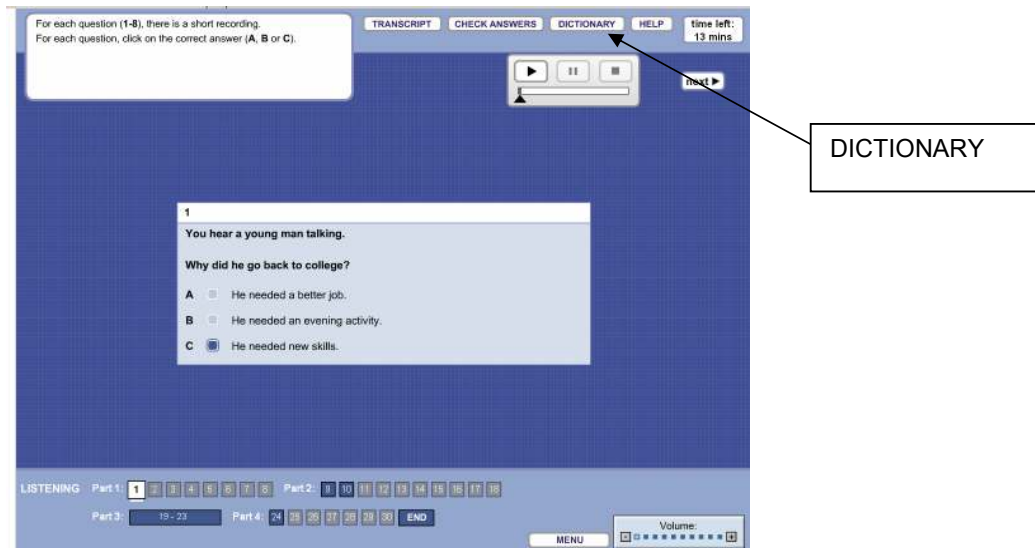


If your answer is incorrect a cross will appear next to your answer and a tick will appear next to the correct answer.

Click on the TEST button to return to the test.



If you want to look up a word during the test, click on the DICTIONARY button.

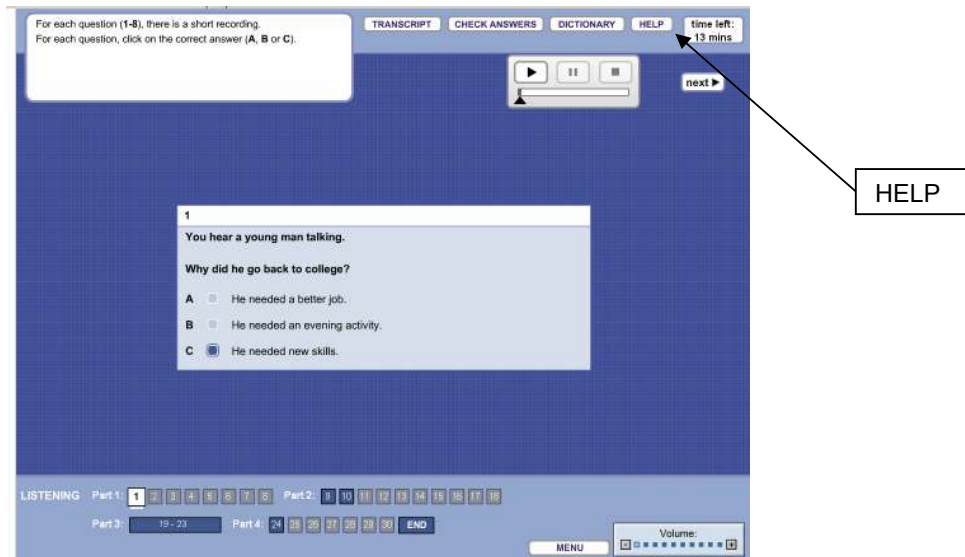


Type your word in the box in the dictionary screen and click on LOOK IT UP.

To close the dictionary, click on the cross in the corner.



If you want help answering any of the questions in the test, click on the HELP button.

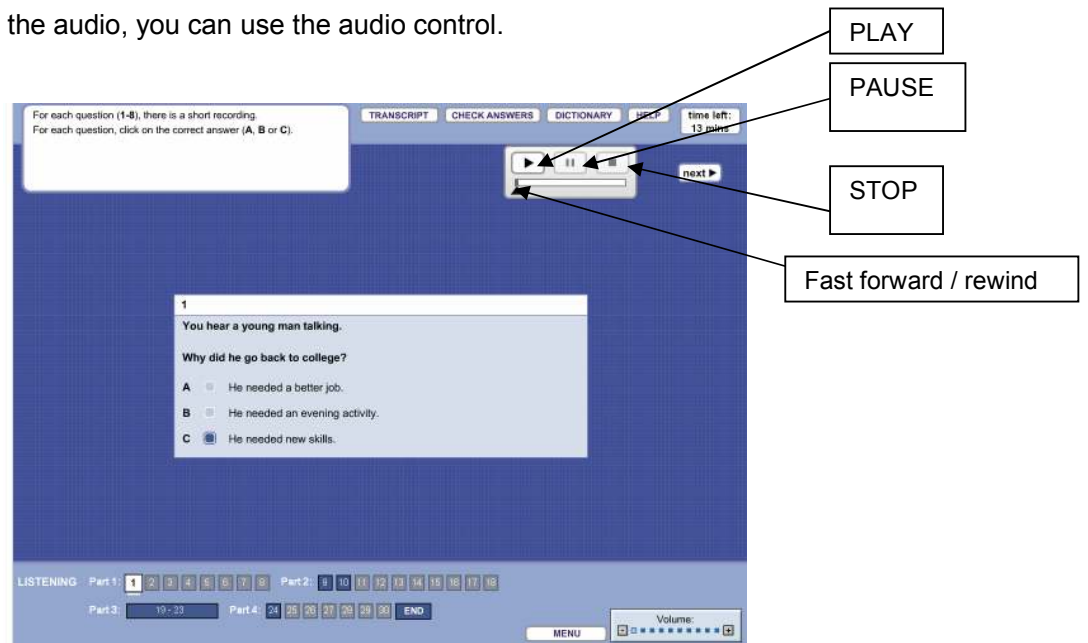


You can use the cursor to move the help screen if you want to.

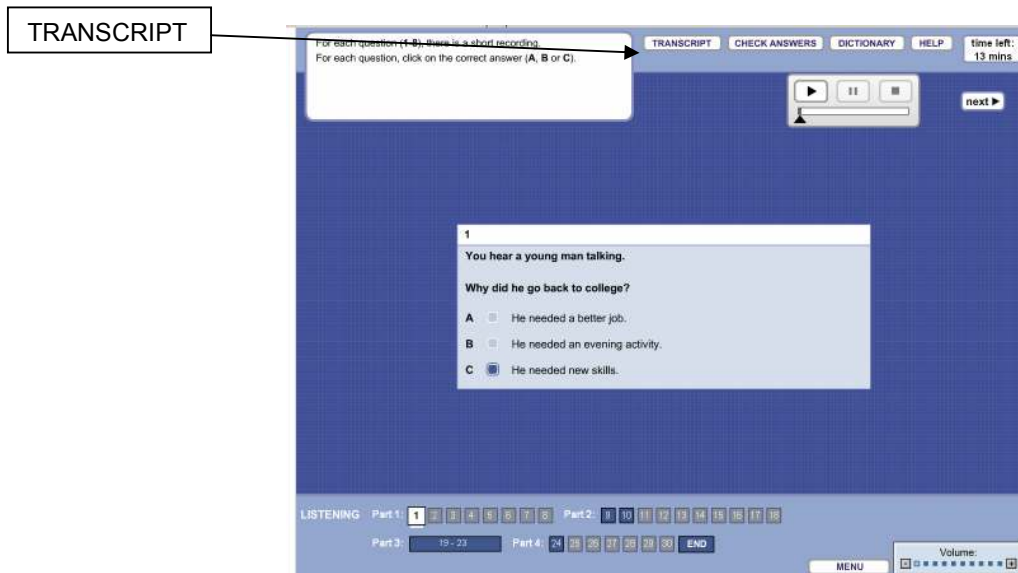
Click on the CLOSE button to return to the test.



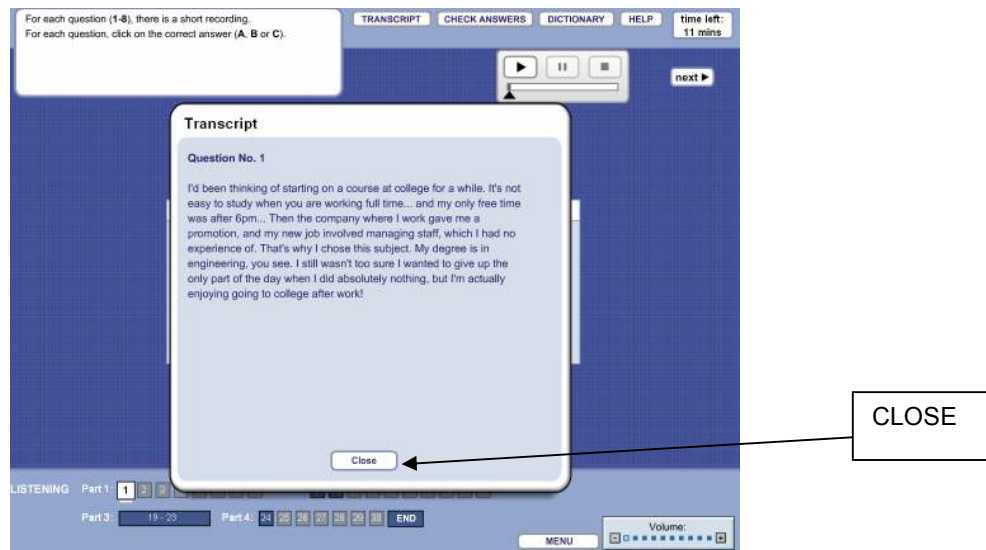
To pause or stop the audio, you can use the audio control.



You can also view a transcript of the audio by clicking on the TRANSCRIPT button.



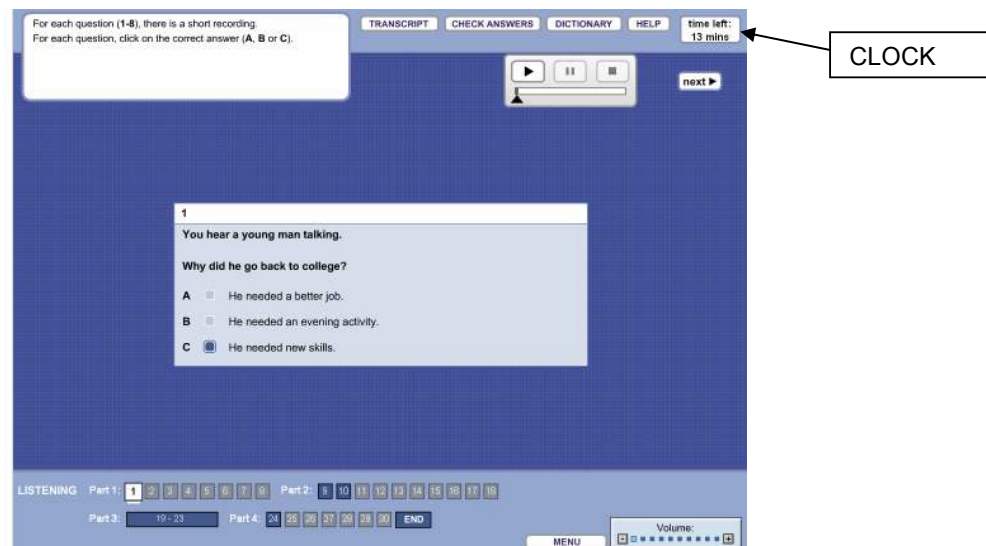
To close, click on the CLOSE button.



You have approximately 13 minutes to complete the free sample Online Practice Test for FCE Listening.

There is a clock at the top of the screen which tells you how much time you have left.

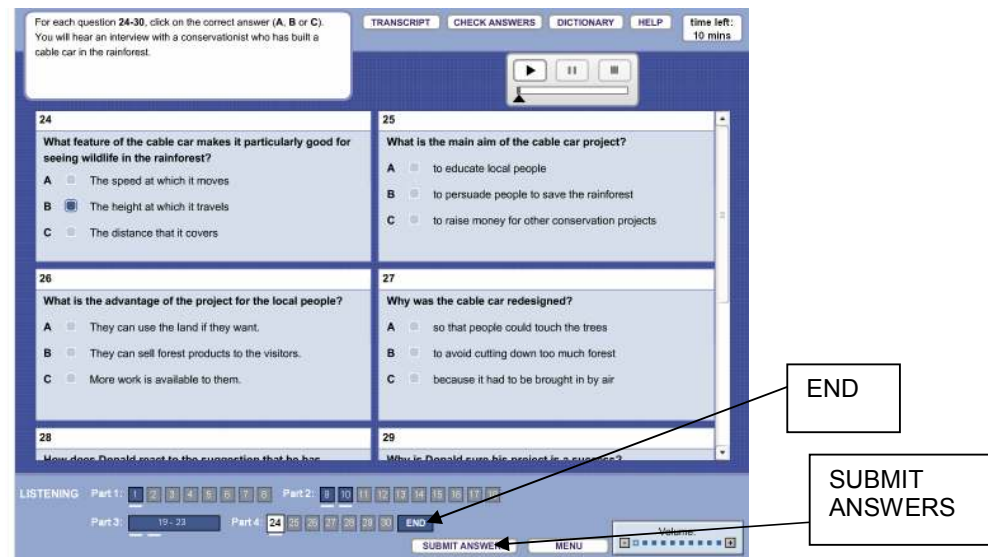
This clock will flash when you have 10 minutes and 5 minutes left.



The test will tell you when approximately 13 minutes has passed. If you want to end the test yourself, click on the END button.

When you have answered all of the questions the SUBMIT ANSWERS button will appear at the bottom of the screen.

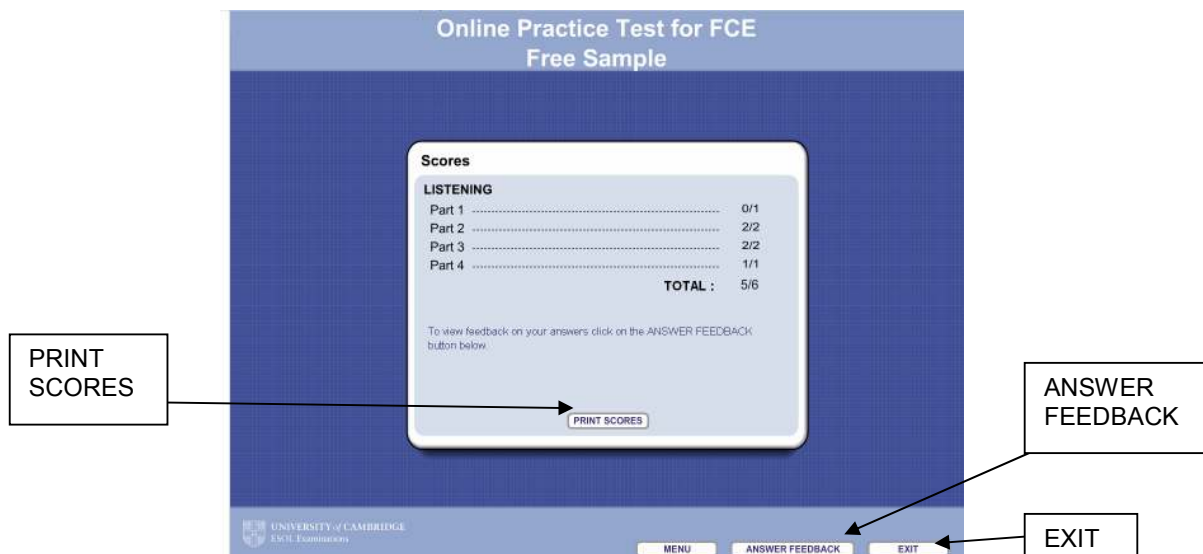
Please remember you can only submit your answers once.



The scores screen will then appear. This shows your scores for each part of the test. In the full test you can also print out your scores using the PRINT SCORES button.

In the full test, if you want your answers explained you can click on the ANSWER FEEDBACK button at the bottom of the screen.

To exit the free sample test, click on the EXIT button.



That is the end of the tutorial. Good luck with the FCE Free Sample Online Practice Test for Listening.

You will be provided with scores for the Reading, Use of English and Listening, but not Writing.