

Exercise 6.0 Open-set fill in the sentence

Speaker Copy

Instructions for the Speaker

Give the listener his copy of the 20 incomplete sentences (see next page). Present the complete sentences one at a time without visual cues. Prompt the listener to repeat the missing words or phrases.

- 1 Elephants cannot jump.
- 2 Queen Elizabeth I of England went completely bald at an early age.
- 3 Until 1957, it was illegal to go swimming in Wales on a Sunday.
- 4 Typewriters were first developed to help the blind.
- 5 For the first six or seven months of our lives, we can do something that we are never able to do again; swallow and breathe at the same time.
- 6 In order to be the last name in the local telephone directory, a Chicago man changed his name to Zeke Zzypt.
- 7 Sir Winston Churchill was a well-known Shakespearean actor before he became a politician.
- 8 The yo-yo was originally a Filipino jungle weapon.
- 9 Goldfish will often turn white if left in a darkened room.
- 10 When Ian Fleming wrote his first James Bond book, his 007 hero was called Rupert de Vere.
- 11 King Louis XIV of France was the first person, male or female, to wear high heels.
- 12 The Germans used to keep frogs as live barometers because they croak when the pressure drops.
- 13 Indian ink actually comes from China.
- 14 To conserve metal, the Oscars given out in the Academy Awards during World War II were made of wood.
- 15 The word 'tip' is an abbreviation of 'to insure promptness.'
- 16 A form of golf was first invented by the Chinese nearly 2,000 years ago.
- 17 It is impossible to sneeze and keep your eyes open at the same time.
- 18 Bumping foreheads with a handshake is the traditional greeting in Tibet.
- 19 The corkscrew was first invented to pull out teeth.
- 20 When George I came to the throne of England he could not speak a word of English.

⁴⁷ Source: Watcyn-Jones and Howard-Williams, 2001

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