Listening Comprehension Test

Directions

You are going to have a Listening Comprehension Test. This test consists of Part 1 and Part 2, with a different passage for each part.

First, you will hear each passage read twice. Listen carefully and try to grasp the main points of the passage. Then, after each passage, you will be asked three multiple choice questions. Each question will be read twice.

For each question, four possible answers appear on your answer sheet, labeled by the letters A, B, C and D. You must choose the ONE correct answer for each question. Indicate your choice by writing the letter A, B, C or D in the box provided for each question.

Part 1

Q1 According to the passage, how many elder brothers and elder sisters did Ben have?
A) Two.
B) Three.
C) Fourteen.
D) Seventeen.
Q2 According to the passage, why did Ben's parents realize that he was not meant to be a church minister?
A) Because he had taught himself to read and write.
B) Because he could not do well at school.
C) Because he was too quiet to lead a life in church.
D) Because he was too active for church life.

Q3 According to the passage, which statement about Ben is not correct?
A) He read books from neighbors as well as ones his family had.
B) He often longed to travel far away by ship.
C) His education came to an end after he left school.
D) He made paddles and flippers in order to swim faster.

Part 2

Q1 According to the passage, why was the hula banned?
A) Because the new queen from a Western country supported the ancient culture in Hawaii.
B) Because most people in Hawaii were religious at that time.
C) Because some Western people regarded the dancers’ appearance as inappropriate.
D) Because the dance at that time was thought of as a part of Western culture.

Q2 How long were most Hawaiians not allowed to perform the hula in public?
A) For about 20 years.
B) For about 60 years.
C) For about 80 years.
D) For about 100 years.

Q3 According to the passage, which statement is not correct?
A) Now the hula is taught at special schools with contemporary methods.
B) The number of people who are taking hula lessons is becoming larger now.
C) It is difficult to perform the hula, and it takes a lot of time to master it.
D) The hula was started on the beach in Hawaii more than three hundred years ago.