TEST Listening Comprehension – '1993 The Trojan Room Coffee Pot'

o   *Before listening, read everything and look up words you need.*
o   *You will be able to listen twice with a pause in between.*
o   *Note that some options give the <u>meaning</u>, not the original wording.*
o   *Try out with a pencil first. Then clearly mark in ink before handing in this sheet.*
o   *Tick the <u>single</u> box that comes closest to what you understand.*

Example: 0. This programme is from	☐	*BBC Learning.*
	☐	*BBC Radio 4.*
	☒	*the BBC World Service.*

1. In 1991, Cambridge scientists were working hard	☐	at computer companies.
	☐	in computer factories.
	☐	on computer technology.
2. In the Trojan Room there were two or three	☐	racks of computers.
	☐	stacks of computers.
	☐	tacks of computers.
3. Computer scientists need caffeine	☐	after lunch.
	☐	any time.
	☐	in the morning.
4. Scientists next to the coffee pot were happy because they always	☐	saw when there was coffee.
	☐	smelled the coffee.
	☐	watched the coffee machine run.
5. Scientists worked on a new program because they wanted to	☐	develop a fairer system.
	☐	earn more money.
	☐	study marketing.
6. In 1993 these scientists developed	☐	a new version of Skype.
	☐	an audio version of Skype.
	☐	an early form of Skype.
7. Paul Jardetzky* worked	☐	in video stores.
	☐	on video storage.
	☐	on video stories.
8. Paul wrote software to grab	☐	cameras.
	☐	film files.
	☐	images.
9. Quentin Stafford-Fraser* wrote software to	☐	display an image.
	☐	play a video file.
	☐	point a camera.

10. The image displayed was updated once every	☐	free minute.
	☐	three minutes.
	☐	two minutes.
11. Now scientists	☐	had time to chat online.
	☐	knew when to go for a cup.
	☐	saw their colleagues at work.
12. The new system was ideal for	☐	all of the scientists.
	☐	few of the scientists.
	☐	most of the scientists.
13. Martin Johnson* used server software to	☐	identify viruses online.
	☐	show images online.
	☐	write messages online.
14. With Martin's new software other computers could copy images	☐	from his server.
	☐	of his server.
	☐	on his server.
15. Soon people knew	☐	how much the coffee was.
	☐	how the coffee tasted.
	☐	when the coffeepot was half full.
16. In 1993, most web servers provided	☐	movies.
	☐	sound.
	☐	text.
17. Martin's software displayed different coffee	☐	cups.
	☐	machines.
	☐	quantities.
18. At first, publishing images online was	☐	documented.
	☐	exciting.
	☐	ignored.
19. The coffee pot interested people in	☐	Cambridge.
	☐	Europe.
	☐	the world.
20. The Trojan Room became	☐	a café for tourists.
	☐	popular with tourists.
	☐	the tourist information centre.

*Names of computer scientists	o *Quentin Stafford-Fraser* (British accent)
	o *Paul Jardetzky* (American accent)
	o *Martin Johnson* (Australian accent)