

The Reith lecturer 1999, Anthony Giddens, in his first lecture: “[Runaway World](#)”

- Answer according to what you hear.
- Note that these options may give the meaning not necessarily the original wording.

Tick the two right boxes (☒). **(2 points)**

1. Mr Giddens’ friend saw a film that	<input type="checkbox"/>	her hosts had seen in New York.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Londoners had not seen.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	she had seen in London.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	showed the reach of media.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	was in black and white only.

Tick the one right box (☒). **(1 point)**

2. Globalisation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	affects people anywhere.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	is a great name for a great thing.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	is a thing of the past.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	is universally ignored.

Tick the two right boxes (☒). **(2 points)**

3. The ‘sceptics’ claim that	<input type="checkbox"/>	big companies become powerful.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	globalisation is developing fast.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	globalisation is nothing new.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	globalisation threatens the welfare state.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	the nation state has lost much of its sovereignty.

Tick the two right boxes (☒). **(2 points)**

4. The ‘radicals’ believe that	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	globalisation ignores national borders.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	globalisation is limited to regions in the world.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	globalisation robs politicians of power.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	nations have gained power.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	the Chinese empire is rising again.

True or false? – Consider these statements.

(1 point each)

	true	false
5. The volume of world trade is higher than ever before.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Globalisation has widened the range of things to buy.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. About a billion \$ is traded on the global currency market every day.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Tick the two right boxes (☒). **(2 points)**

8. According to Giddens, globalisation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	has changed communication.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	is a mistake.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	is the result of crime.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	is revolutionary.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	will pass.

Tick the two right boxes (☒).

(2 points)

9. The Morse code	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	replaced written messages.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	started a new phase in world history.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	stopped people from carrying messages.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	was introduced for ships in 1991.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	was stopped in 1998 for security reasons.

True or false? – Consider these statements.

(1 point each)

	true	false
10. Instantaneous communication changes only news broadcasting.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11. New communications technology has produced celebrities.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. After 40 years, radio had an American audience of 50 million users.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Globalisation only affects politics, not private lives.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Match these parts of sentences by numbering the second halves accordingly.
Of course, only four of them can actually be right.

(4points)

		avoided by singles.
14. The debate about family values is	17	undermined by couples.
15. Traditional family systems are	15	changing profoundly.
16. Never before have women been	14	held in many places.
17. Globalisation is not a process but		insulated from globalisation.
	16	more or less equal.

Tick the two right boxes (☒).

(2 points)

18. Globalisation means that	<input type="checkbox"/>	cultural zones are defined by national borders.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	economic developments are human-made.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	local culture is destroyed.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	power is decentralised.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	states are too small to solve small problems.

Tick the two right boxes (☒).

(2 points)

19. The collapse of the Soviet Union was a result of	<input type="checkbox"/>	a cyber attack.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	a loss of state control.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	a news blackout.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	media coverage.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	western states boycotting Russia.

Tick the two right boxes (☒).

(2 points)

20. According to statistics, inequality has made the	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	poor countries poorer.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	rich leave poor countries.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	rich richer.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	world more American.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	world population poorer.

Tick the one right box (☒).

(1 point)

21. These days, change is controlled by	<input type="checkbox"/>	authoritarian regimes.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	computer nerds.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	large corporations.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	several forces.

True or false? – Consider these statements.

(1 point each)

	true	false
22. Globalisation is good for all.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
23. Economies depending on few products, need stable prices.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
24. Fighting globalisation helps poor countries.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
25. National economic politics is becoming more significant.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
26. The nature of the nation state has changed.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Tick the two right boxes (☒).

(2 points)

27. According to Anthony Giddens, globalisation	<input type="checkbox"/>	has started another depression.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	is a planned process.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	is the result of a coordinated effort.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	is the work of uncontrollable forces.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	shows that institutions are overwhelmed.

True or false? – Consider these statements.

(1 point each)

	true	false
28. Globalisation disrupts the world.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
29. Institutions need to adjust.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
30. Strong leaders can resist globalisation.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Self-evaluation What is your score out of 36 points?	your score
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Debate this motion: **Globalisation is good for you.**

- Consider the pros and cons of this case.
- Working on your own, prepare by listing three arguments and three examples. – No talking at this stage, please.
- When you have written down your three arguments and examples, join your group, i.e. the 'government' or the 'opposition'.
- In this group, compare the arguments and examples you have compiled and identify the best ones. – Keep your voices down.
- Prepare cue-cards.
- Rehearse your speech and use rhetorical devices to make listening good fun. – Keep to your speaking time.
- Write an essay, comparing the pros and cons of the matter and coming to a well-balanced conclusion.



Globalisation Listening Comprehension **KEY**

EXAMPLES: These are the types of tasks you are to deal with.

True or false? – Consider this statement.

(1 point)

	true	false
a. Globalisation is bad for you.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Tick the one right box ().

(1 point)

b. Mr Giddens' delivered a lecture in 1999 with	<input type="checkbox"/>	CNN.
	<input type="checkbox"/>	NPR.
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	the BBC.

Match these parts of sentences by numbering the second halves accordingly.
Of course, only three of them can actually be right.

(3 points)

	c	a global success.
c. In a global world, I can be	e	a new phenomenon. [-'---]
d. The nuclear family is		free from globalisation.
e. Globalisation is	d	going nuclear.
		frightening.

**Before listening, read all the questions and make sure you understand them.
You will listen to this programme twice. – Use a pencil first and then use ink.**

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