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LISTENING

I. Listen to the radio news report and answer the questions.

1. What is the purpose of the radio announcement?
 - A. to warn people about the weather
 - B. to explain what causes a blizzard
 - C. to tell people where to go skiing
 - D. to discuss how to stay warm in the cold weather

2. How is the weather news organized?
 - A. by type of weather
 - B. by location
 - C. by day and time
 - D. by month of the year

3. When will the snow stop?
 - A. Saturday night
 - B. Sunday morning
 - C. Sunday afternoon
 - D. Sunday night

Reading

II. Read the article. Choose the correct answers

POSSESSIONS AND HAPPINESS

Between 1950 and 2011 the size of the average American home increased from 983 square feet to 2480. And those large homes are often filled with possessions. In fact, some people's homes are so full, they pay money to store all the possessions that they can't fit in their homes somewhere else. But, are all of these things making people happier? According to many studies, they're not. One study even showed that some possessions can actually be a source of stress. As a result, a growing number of people are choosing to live with less. They're buying less and donating more to help themselves and the environment.

Living with less doesn't mean you have to donate everything you own to a charity. You can start by simply buying less. Think carefully before you buy something. Take a good look at how many shirts, watches, and pairs of sunglasses you already have before going out and buying more. Then decide if the happiness it will bring is going to last. When you do buy something, don't be afraid to spend money on quality items that will last. Buying an \$80 silk tie that you can wear for 10 years, may be better than buying a new \$10 tie every year.

Of course, living with less can mean selling, donating or throwing out items you no longer want. Those old t-shirts that have been in a box at the back of your closet for years? You probably don't need them. However, not all of our possessions have the same value. Some items bring happiness because of the memories they hold. So don't feel bad about keeping some things that have meaning to you.

Living with less can also help the environment. According to research, 60% of greenhouse gases come from producing all of these things—cars, clothes, electronic devices, and more—that people are buying. Materials and energy are required to produce and move each item along with its package. So buying fewer items may help people do less damage to the environment.

Overall, living with less doesn't mean you will live unhappy. It simply means living with the few possessions that will make you happier.

1. What is the article about?
 - A. How to be happy with fewer possessions.
 - B. Why having possessions can make you unhappy.
 - C. What to do with possessions that don't make you happy.
 - D. How to figure out which possessions make you happy.

2. According to the article, how can people help the environment?

- A. They can buy items that are made from environmentally friendly materials.
- B. They can donate old cars, clothes and electronics.
- C. They can stop buying so many new products.
- D. They can recycle the packages their items come in.

Grammar and vocabulary

III. Complete each sentence with a, an, the, or X (no article).

1. He studied _____ art at university.
2. Where can I buy _____ book about baseball?
3. My friend asked to see _____ menu at the restaurant to make sure it wasn't too expensive.

IV. Complete each sentence with that, when, or where

1. My mother gave me a watch ___ has a calendar feature.
a) that. b) when. c) where
2. She often goes to the jewelry store on days ___ there is a discount on earrings.
a) that b) when. c) where
3. My favorite scarf is the one ___ my aunt knitted for me.
a) that. b) when. c) where

V. Complete the sentences. Write the adjectives in the correct order.

Silk

Soft

1. There are _____ sheets on the beds in the guest room.

Spanish

Fancy

New

2. I bought my friend a _____ purse for her birthday.

Wooden

old

Rectangular

3. She found two _____ music boxes at an antique market.

VI. Choose the correct phrase to complete each sentence.

1. I want to _____ today. I've been working on my kick.

a) play soccer **b)** do community service **c)** go to a museum **d)** enjoy cooking

2. Let's see a play tomorrow. We can _____ nearby.

a) do charity. **b)** work **c)** play baseball **d)** go to the theater **e)** enjoy traveling

3. I love the outdoors. I _____ in the mountains.

a). discuss politics **b)** play tennis. **c)** enjoy hiking. **d)** go to a gallery

VII. Write the correct word from the box to complete each sentence.

Sunglasses. Ring. Tie. Necklace. Wallet.

- 1 I love the _____ on your finger. It's so pretty!
- 2 It's too bright outside. I'm going to need my _____.
- 3 I forgot my _____ at home. Can I borrow a dollar?

Shiny. glass. Metal. Rectangular. Cotton

- 1 That shirt is very soft. I think it's _____.
- 2 Be careful! That will break if you drop it. It's _____.
- 3 You really need a _____ pan if you want to cook eggs.

VIII. Complete the sentence with must, may, might, or could.

1. The weather report says there will be heavy rain tomorrow. You _____ need to wear your rain boots on your way to work in the morning.
2. The roads _____ be closed due to the snow storm. I haven't seen any cars drive by our house in the past hour.
3. The sky is starting to get dark and a little cloudy. We _____ see a storm later, but I'm not really sure.

IX. Complete the sentences with either the present perfect or present perfect continuous form of the verb in parentheses.

1. We _____ (listen) to the weather reports on the radio all day today.
2. Some people _____ (decide) to stay in their homes and not leave the area.
3. Strong winds and heavy rain _____ (cause) damage too many homes already.

X. Choose the correct word or phrase to complete each sentence.

1. Take your umbrella because

- a) it's clearing up. b) it's starting to rain c) t's starting to snow.
b) d)there's lightning.

2. We can't have _____ because it's too hot.

- a) a rainbow. b) a storm. c) thunder. d) a snow storm

3. _____ so hold on to your hat or it will blow away.

- a) it's getting cloudy. b) It's getting windy. c) It's starting to snow
b) d) There's a thunderstorm

XI. Drag the best word or phrase to complete each sentence.

Heavy rain. An earthquake. A tornado. A blizzard. A drought

- 1 _____ can cause small and large buildings to fall down.
- 2 _____ caused all our plants to die. It hasn't rained in a very long time.
- 3 _____ can pick up cars or whole houses and drop them somewhere else.

XII Complete each sentence with so or such.

1. The storm caused _____ terrible damage to homes in our area that many people have decided to move to other places.
2. The drought was _____ severe that our swimming pool dried up.
3. The thunder during the storm was _____ loud that I couldn't hear what my sister standing next to

Writing

Write a 150 word text talking about a weather event.
