



ORAL COMPREHENSION

LISTENING

CHILDHOOD MEMORIES

PART 1

Level: Intermediate
Gender: Female
Accent: UK English
Length: 1:01



A) LISTEN TO ABIE TALKING ABOUT HER CHILDHOOD MEMORIES OF GROWING UP IN HONG KONG. THEN SAY IF THESE STATEMENTS ARE TRUE (T) OR FALSE (F).

- 1 Abie lived in a block of flats.
- 2 Abie's house had one floor.
- 3 Abie's house was in the centre of the city.
- 4 Abie's house was a typical Hong Kong house.
- 5 Abie was sometimes lonely.
- 6 Abie's family used to shop in the markets.
- 7 Abie liked growing up in Hong Kong.

B) LISTEN AGAIN AND WRITE THE ADJECTIVES THAT ABIE USES TO DESCRIBE THESE PARTS OF HER CHILDHOOD.

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| 1 The city | 5 Her family |
| 2 Her house | 6 The markets |
| 3 Her garden | 7 Her life |
| 4 The weather | |

PART 2

Level: Intermediate
Gender: Male
Accent: US English
Length: 1:49

A) PATRICK TALKS ABOUT HIS CHILDHOOD MEMORIES OF GROWING UP IN NORTH CAROLINA (USA). LISTEN AND CHOOSE THE BEST ANSWER (A,B,C OR D) FOR EACH QUESTION.

- 1 Where did Patrick grow up?**
 - a) In the countryside
 - b) In a large city
 - c) In a small town
 - d) On an island

- 2 What did Patrick do in the woods?**
 - a) He stayed in a little rural hotel
 - b) He went trekking and jogging
 - c) Birdwatching and firewood chopping
 - d) Camping, hiking, hunting and fishing

- 3 What things did Patrick own when he was ten?**
 - a) Fishing gear, backpack, slingshot
 - b) Camping gear, fishing gear
 - c) Pellet gun, fishing gear, backpack
 - d) Backpack , sleeping bag, rifle

- 4 What creatures did Patrick try to catch?**
 - a) Birds and snakes
 - b) Snakes and crayfish
 - c) Crabs and fish
 - d) Crayfish and little rodents

- 5 How old was Patrick when he could pack a backpack?**
 - a) 20
 - b) 8
 - c) 16
 - d) 12

- 6 Does Patrick think his kind of childhood is a good way for children to grow up?**
 - a) Yes
 - b) No
 - c) Doesn't say