

## Listening

**1 Recording 3** Listen and match speakers 1–6 with the things that annoy them a)–g). There is one extra answer you do not need.

1 John	_____	e
2 Frank	_____	
3 Rose	_____	
4 Joyce	_____	
5 Graham	_____	
6 Lexi	_____	

- a) people's unhygienic habits in public places
- b) the gap between the rich and the poor
- c) the damage caused to the environment by excessive waste
- d) being ignored by waiters and shop assistants
- e) trying to get through to customer service assistants on the phone
- f) the way her husband behaves when driving
- g) being disturbed by the use of mobile phones on public transport and in other public places

**2**

**Recording 3** Listen again and underline the correct answer, a), b) or c).

**1** What drives John crazy?

- a) being told to pay a bill online
- b) being asked when his birthday is
- c) being asked for the same information twice

**2** Why did Frank not enjoy the show he went to?

- a) because he sat behind someone who was recording it
- b) because he was distracted by another member of the audience
- c) because he could only hear a tinny sound

**3** What does Rose hate the smell of?

- a) stacks of dirty plates and dishes
- b) street food like hamburgers
- c) dirty clothes left on the floor

**4** How does Joyce channel her energy?

- a) She works voluntarily to help others.
- b) She campaigns against social injustice.
- c) She donates some of her earnings to charities.

**5** What annoys Graham the most?

- a) the excessive amount of packaging used
- b) having to return unwanted post
- c) the amount of waste from free newspapers

**6** Why does Lexi get scared in the car?

- a) because other motorists drive too closely
- b) because her husband overtakes cars too fast
- c) because she fears for her husband's health

## 2 Choose out the unnecessary word in the sentences.

**1** The mechanic said he thinks our car will to be ready for collection by the end of the day.

**2** Sorry, I missed that – what did you say Tom's hoping might to do after he leaves school?

**3** We're definitely not going to miss the train. There's no way we can get to the station in time.

**4** Eve's thinking to of opening an art gallery in town if the bank agrees to a loan.

**5** I'm probably likely to be late home tonight as we have a meeting right at the end of the day.

## Vocabulary

### 3 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

chill focused recharge switches

**1** Whenever she's feeling exhausted from work, Sophie goes for a walk on the beach to recharge.

**2** Derek enjoys making controversial comments and loves \_\_\_\_\_ people up.

**3** Janice's always really stressed – we need to help her find a way to just \_\_\_\_\_.

**4** When I'm painting, I'm so \_\_\_\_\_ on what I'm doing that I lose myself in it.

**5** Sam really detests golf and always \_\_\_\_\_ off the moment Ian starts talking about it.

**4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the word in CAPITALS.**

1 After viewing a delightful cottage in Wales, we instantly knew it was the property for us.  
**DELIGHT**

2 Uncle Erwin's had a love of \_\_\_\_\_ cars since he was a boy and now spends his free time tinkering with one he bought at auction.

**CLASS**

3 From the pictures in the brochure, you'd have no idea just how \_\_\_\_\_ the mountains were.  
**STUN**

4 After ten weeks, Rob is making \_\_\_\_\_ progress with his marathon training.

**SIGNIFY**

5 Carla was a bright student and no one was surprised when she achieved \_\_\_\_\_ grades and was offered a prestigious scholarship.

**EXCEPT**

**Writing****5 Choose the correct alternatives.**

It is often <sup>1</sup>said/told that satellite TV has contributed to the increase of obesity in children. It <sup>2</sup>feels/seems to me, <sup>3</sup>however/although, that it's not the TV companies who are to blame. There are other factors that contribute to this trend. <sup>4</sup>In/At the first place, fast food restaurants are continuing to proliferate and are, <sup>5</sup>finally/unfortunately, making junk food even more easily available. <sup>6</sup>In contrast/Moreover, I think parents with young children often find it difficult to refuse the pleas of their children for hamburgers and fries.

<sup>7</sup>Furthermore/To sum up, children don't always get enough exercise, especially in urban areas. <sup>8</sup>As an example/Unsurprisingly, some parents can be afraid to let them play outside. In <sup>9</sup>contrast/opposed to this, I believe schools have made great strides in improving children's participation in sports, which has a positive effect on their health.

To <sup>10</sup>conclusion/conclude, my hope is that education will hopefully find a way of tackling the problem and the health risks linked to obesity will <sup>11</sup>apparently/eventually disappear.

**16 Write a short story ending with the saying 'Every cloud has a silver lining'. Write 140–180 words.**