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Listening

The body's limits

I can listen for specific information.

Listening Strategy

Some listening tasks may involve listening out for numbers, dates and measurements. Make sure you know how to pronounce these so that you can identify the information when you hear it.

1 **1.14** Read the Listening Strategy. Then listen and circle the number or measurement you hear.

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| 1 a) 115,000 | b) 100,050 | c) 150,000 |
| 2 a) 3,700,000 | b) 37,000,000 | c) 3,000,700 |
| 3 a) 2.07 | b) 0.27 | c) 2.70 |
| 4 a) $\frac{3}{10}$ | b) $\frac{1}{10}$ | c) $\frac{3}{10}$ |
| 5 a) 35% | b) 30.5% | c) 13% |
| 6 a) 22–25 | b) 2–25 | c) 20–25 |
| 7 a) 25°C | b) -5°C | c) -25°C |
| 8 a) 1930 | b) 1913 | c) 913 |

2 Read aloud all the numbers and measurements in exercise 1.

3 **1.15** Listen and complete the facts with the numbers and measurements you hear.

- Your body makes _____ new blood cells every second.
- There are nearly _____ kilometres of blood vessels in an average adult body.
- Only _____ of the cells in our body are human; the other _____ are bacteria.
- Your brain is only _____ of your body's weight, but it uses _____ of the oxygen.
- Your temperature is usually about _____ lower in the morning than in the evening.
- Blondes have about _____ more hairs on their head than people with black hair.
- Adult humans have _____ bones, but newborn babies have a lot more.
- The smallest muscle in the body is inside the ear; it is only _____ millimetres long.
- Men usually stop growing when they are _____ years old, women when they are _____.

4 **INTERNET RESEARCH** Find two more facts about the human body to add to the facts in exercise 3.

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5 **1.16** Read the three short texts below about a Swedish woman called Anna Bågenholm, who had an accident. Then listen to an interview about her and decide which is the best summary of the accident. Underline the incorrect parts of the other options.

- Anna had an accident while skiing. Nobody found her for several hours and when they did, they believed she was dead. But when she arrived at the hospital, she came back to life.
- Anna tried to rescue a colleague who had an accident in the mountains, but fell into some freezing water. She only survived because a helicopter took her to hospital.
- Anna had an accident while skiing. She became so cold that her breathing and heartbeat stopped for hours, but she made a full recovery.

6 **1.16** Listen again. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)? Correct the false sentences.

- About a third of people whose body temperature drops to below 28°C do not survive.
- Anna's colleagues called for help seven minutes after the accident.
- The first rescue team cut a hole in the ice and the second team pulled her out.
- Anna's body temperature was 30.7°C when she arrived at the hospital.
- Her heart did not begin beating again until her body temperature reached 36.4°C.