

## ENGLISH 8 – UNIT 4 – LISTENING SCRIPT

### Track 29. Listen and fill in each gap with no more than three words.

In the UK we eat around the dining table. We ..... lots of table manners. Firstly, we use ..... – you know, knives, forks and spoons – to eat most of the food. We hold the fork in the left hand and the knife in the right. You should hold the handle of the knife in your palm and your fork in the other hand with the prongs pointing downwards. There is also a spoon and a fork for ..... When you finish eating, you should ..... your knife and fork with the prongs upwards on your plate. Secondly, you should never use your own cutlery to take more food from the ..... – use the serving spoon. Now if there's bread on the table, you can ..... to take a piece. Then break off a small piece of bread and butter it. Thirdly, if you are a ....., you have to ..... until the host or hostess starts eating and you should ask another person to pass the food. Next, never ..... with your mouth open and don't ..... with food in your mouth...

### Track 30. Listen and fill in each gap with no more than three words.

Today I'm going to tell you about the xoe dance, a ..... dance of the Thai ..... in Viet Nam. Thai people have followed this spiritual tradition for ..... The xoe dance expresses people's working life and wishes for a happy and ..... It is performed in both public or ..... such as celebrations, festivals or family ..... The xoe dance has more than 30 forms based on the first six ..... forms. The most popular form is the xoe vong or 'circle dance' because it expresses social unity. People, young or old alike, join hands to make a circle around the ..... and dance to the music. Besides the circle dance, there are dances with conical hats, ..... or scarves. Old people say they shouldn't ..... this tradition because it reflects Thai ..... and lifestyle. As a Thai folk song goes, without the xoe dance, the rice won't ..... and people won't .....

