

LISTENING: Homesickness

- Listen to a radio programme about homesickness. For questions 1-11 choose the most suitable option (A, B or C)

- 1) Homesickness means...
 - To feel sad because you miss your homeland.
 - To keep on living in your parent's house and refuse to become independent.
 - To stay in bed for a couple of days because you are sick.
- 2) Jennifer is from...
 - London.
 - The USA.
 - The north-east of England.
- 3) Finn feels homesick when...
 - Other people suffer from it, too.
 - He travels abroad.
 - Looks at photos.
- 4) Which of the following verbs collocate with 'homesick' (two options are right!)
 - To combat homesickness.
 - To overcome homesickness.
 - To deplete homesickness.
- 5) Finn says you may feel isolated if you move to a country where...
 - You don't know anyone.
 - Nobody helps you around.
 - You don't speak the language.
- 6) Jennifer says that it can be quite stressful...
 - To miss your family and friends.
 - To meet new people.
 - To adjust to a new lifestyle.
- 7) Jennifer says that she often misses...
 - The place she used to hang out in.
 - Home-cooked meals.
 - Her old bedroom.

8) Finn explains that 'homesickness' is a growing problem nowadays because...

- A) People leave their homeland because of economic crisis.
- B) People move out because of better work opportunities.
- C) People may not want to daily commute long distances to work or university.

9) In the worst scenario, homesickness may cause you...

- A) Withdraw into yourself.
- B) Depression.
- C) Heart attacks.

10) To combat homesickness is advisable to...

- A) Stay in touch with your family and meet other emigrants.
- B) Go home for a long period of time.
- C) Keep busy in order not to think about home much.

11) Also, people who are struggling with homesickness should...

- D) First, accept it, so as to later find a solution to it.
- E) Talk to a physiologist or a friend.
- F) Belittle their emotions.