TASK 1

You will hear a radio interview with Rowan Atkinson about his latest play. For questions 1-10 choose the option (a, b or c) that fits best according to what you hear.

0. This is Rowan Atkinson's first stage play in …
a. 10 years.
b. 15 years.
c. 25 years.
0 c

1. The action takes place …
a. at an art school.
b. in the 1960s.
c. in winter.

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2. Rowan Atkinson plays a/an …
a. effective teacher.
b. ignored teacher.
c. loved teacher.

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3. The role he plays shows a lot of …
a. action.
b. inactivity.
c. violence.

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4. This character was given such a role …
a. deliberately.
b. inadvertently.
c. miraculously.

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5. In the play four characters die …
a. off stage.
b. on stage.
c. suddenly.

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6. Rowan Atkinson wanted to do this part …
a. for the last 3 or 4 years.
b. just to experience a change.
c. to go back to his origins.

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7. Rowan Atkinson says he …
a. loves theatre.
b. prefers cinema to theatre.
c. understands theatre.

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8. This play he is doing now…
a. doesn't have jokes.
b. is a serious play.
c. is not for children.

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9. Rowan Atkinson is a …
a. character actor.
b. lead actor.
c. serious actor.

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10. Rowan Atkinson says he likes …
a. doing things well.
b. facing difficulties.
c. having a stamp.

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TASK 2

You will hear a man talking about Martha's blog on school dinners and a football expression. For questions 11-25, tick the ten phrases or ideas you hear mentioned in the recording (make sure you tick only 10). There are 5 phrases you must not tick.

SCHOOL DINNERS & FOOTBALL

0. · Italy beat England at football

11. · the girl is an only child

12. · school dinners are unforgettable

13. · bilberries turn tongue blue

14. · Martha takes pictures

15. · she likes football

16. · children in other schools post comments

17. · Martha raises money for poor communities

18. · bureaucrats feared criticism

19. · the Scottish government subsidises school meals

20. · Martha's parents are proud of her

21. · headteacher told Martha to stop writing in her blog

22. · final blog post is a farewell

23. · "own goal" refers to contrary results of one's intentions

24. · discontent expressed in media and social networks

25. · Martha is going to open an account on Twitter