



5th INTERMEDIATE - LISTENING PRACTICE

Click the audios and complete the activities. Remember that you have to listen to each audio two times.

1 Read the questions and responses and decide what each response means, a or b.

- 1 A: Did you find Melbourne boring?
B: On the contrary, it was quite lively with lots of interesting things to do.
a) No, I didn't. b) Yes, I did.
- 2 A: Would you say that large cities are dangerous?
B: Up to a point, but it's up to you to be careful.
a) Yes, definitely. b) Yes, partly.
- 3 A: Were the local people rude?
B: Absolutely not. They were extremely kind and helpful.
a) No way. b) I believe they were.
- 4 A: Is Cairo very noisy?
B: To a certain extent, but there are quiet places if you look for them.
a) No, not at all. b) No, not all of the city.
- 5 A: Do you think you will ever visit Buenos Aires again?
B: Definitely. There's a lot I didn't see the first time.
a) Yes, I intend to. b) Maybe.
- 6 A: Were the beaches clean?
B: Quite the opposite. I was very surprised.
a) Some were OK. b) No, they weren't.
- 7 A: Have you decided where you'll go?
B: Absolutely. I just need to book my ticket.
a) Yes, I have. b) I'm not sure yet.
- 8 A: Was the food in London OK?
B: Yes and no. I had a few nice meals.
a) Yes, it was very nice. b) Not all of it was good.

2 07 Listen to a radio interview and choose the best answer (A, B or C).

- 1 What does Matt say about the weather in Athens?
A He definitely wanted to experience it.
B It prevented him from doing a lot of things.
C He coped with it in the same way the Athenians do.
- 2 What surprised Matt about a museum he visited?
A the architectural style of the building
B some objects were not Greek
C a statue he only knew about from books
- 3 Why did Matt go to cafés so often?
A partly to get out of the sun
B to think about democracy
C to talk to Athenians
- 4 What does Matt believe led to democracy in Athens?
A the atmosphere when people had discussions
B it was a place of ideas and knowledge
C a combination of some important factors
- 5 What is Matt's view of Athens?
A It's too noisy for him.
B It's a city of contrasts.
C He can't understand the lifestyle.



3 04 Listen to a teenager called Will talking about a trip to the Amazon rainforest. Complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

- 1 Will's teacher asked him to talk about his _____ in the Amazon.
- 2 The cooking facilities at the lodges were _____.
- 3 About _____ of the Amazon rainforest is found in Brazil.
- 4 The air in the rainforest was _____.
- 5 Will was annoyed by the _____, which were all over the place.
- 6 Will wasn't expecting to see a _____ frog.
- 7 At night, it's possible to step on a _____.
- 8 The bridges are scary because they moved from _____.