

LISTENING SCRIPT

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A = Anna, J = Jake

- A:** Hello, Mr Bevan. I'm Anna, your tour guide.
- J:** Hi. Please, call me Jake.
- A:** OK, Jake. Nice to meet you. How was the flight? Are you very tired?
- J:** No, I'm fine.
- A:** Great. Let's go to the car park, then. Is it your first time here?
- J:** Yeah. I was in Europe when I was a student, but somehow I never got here.
- A:** And your final destination is London, is that right?
- J:** Yes, I'm going to give a talk at a conference in Oxford.
- A:** So work, not pleasure?
- J:** Yes – well, maybe some pleasure, too. I have a friend – well, an ex-girlfriend, really, who I was with when I was a student. She's British – she lives in Oxford – and we're planning to meet up.
- A:** That's nice! OK, so now I'm going to tell you a bit about our tour today. We're going to drive to the centre – it takes about forty-five minutes – and then we're going to start at the Colosseum.
- J:** Great. I've always wanted to see it.
- A:** And then we're going to visit the Forum. After that, we're going to see the Pantheon – one of the oldest buildings in the city.
- J:** Wow.
- A:** So, then we are very near the *Via del Corso*, where all the best shops are. Would you like to maybe do some shopping?
- J:** Well, I'd like to see the shops, but I'm probably not going to buy anything.
- A:** Maybe a little present – a present for your friend in Oxford?
- J:** Well, maybe.
- A:** And then I'm sure you're going to be hungry, so I'm going to take you to a really nice restaurant for lunch. We can have pizza, or a good carbonara, a gelato – an ice cream, that is. Our typical dishes, but I promise you, very different from Italian food in America.
- J:** Sounds great. And then back to the airport, I guess?
- A:** That's right. We need to allow time for that.
- J:** Yes, I don't want to miss my flight.
- A:** Don't worry. We do this tour every day – and nobody has ever missed their flight.
- J:** Is it going to be very hot today?
- A:** No, not too hot. It's going to be nice: about twenty-two degrees.
- J:** Perfect. It's going to be a fantastic day.
- A:** Here we are. If you can just wait a minute while I pay for the parking. Oh, Mr Bevan – Jake – is this yours?
- J:** My passport! Thanks, Anna. Typical me. I always lose things when I'm travelling.