

LISTENING



Task 1

You are going to listen to six conversations. For questions 1–6, choose the answer (A, B or C) which fits best according to what you hear.

1 What was the weather like last weekend?



A

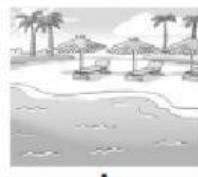


B



C

4 Where does the girl go swimming?



A



B



C

2 Where will they camp?



A

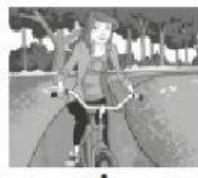


B



C

5 What does the girl enjoy doing the most?



A



B



C

3 When will they arrive in the countryside?



A



B



C

6 What did the boy forget to take with him on his trip?



A



B



C

18

Task 1

Read the article and choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which you think fits best according to the text.

9 People who live in cities like to spend time in

- A traffic.
- B green spaces only.
- C parks or squares.
- D parks far from the city.

10 What is the purpose of a square?

- A to replace a park
- B to bring people together
- C to have shops and cafés
- D to be a quiet place for people to relax

11 How did Julia feel about Xinghai Square?

- A She didn't believe it was really that big.
- B She thought it was a good place to play football.
- C She admired the tall buildings.
- D She enjoyed exploring it on foot.

12 What could people do at both the ancient Agora and the Forum?

- A go shopping
- B talk about politics
- C watch a play
- D see tourists

13 In the UK, the village green

- A is a small square.
- B has a long history.
- C is where animals still feed.
- D can only be used by locals.

14 What is the writer doing in the final paragraph?

- A telling people where they can meet locals
- B describing how people lived in the past
- C explaining which events are celebrated in the UK
- D recommending a place for visitors to see

In the heart of the city

Julia Bland, an architecture student, talks about public squares.

Big cities are busy, crowded and full of traffic. City people like to go to parks. Even though they're still in the city, it feels like they're far away from the traffic and chaos. But there are also public squares where they can relax. Squares aren't green spaces. In fact, they're the opposite because they're usually surrounded by shops and cafés. However, they're very important because they're social spaces. People go there to meet their friends, have a coffee or a meal, maybe to shop at an open market or see a concert.

A few years ago, I visited China and while I was there I went to Xinghai Square in the city of Dalian. I couldn't believe the size of the square – it's 1,760,000 square metres, which is about the size of 243 Wembley football fields! In fact, it's the largest square in the world. Most people in Dalian live in tall buildings and they really need a place where they can be outside and enjoy themselves. The square is by the sea and there are amusement parks, shopping malls and museums. It took me hours to walk all the way along it, but it was a cool experience!

Public spaces have been around for thousands of years. The ancient Greeks called theirs the 'Agora'. It was an open area in the most central part of the city where people bought food, did business and discussed politics. The Romans called their public space the 'Forum' and it had shops, markets and theatres. The ancient sites in Athens and Rome still exist, though, these days, they're full of tourists, not shoppers and shopkeepers! But if you go there, you can get an idea of how the ancients lived.

Even villages have a public area where the local people can meet. It might be a small square or an actual grassy area that is known as the 'village green' in the UK. Hundreds of years ago, people took their animals to eat the grass on the green. It was also used to celebrate important events such as May Day – in many places, it still is. If you're ever in the UK, don't miss the opportunity to visit one of these beautiful little villages. You'll be really glad you did!

Task 3

Complete the sentences with one or two words. Use modal verbs for rules, reflexive pronouns and *it's*, *there is* and *there are*.

- 17 Elena bring a signed form from her parents before she goes on the trip.
- 18 a lot of people at the zoo today because it's Sunday.
- 19 We can fill in the forms to join the club We don't have to ask our parents.
- 20 You be late or you will miss the bus again.
- 21 I really enjoy hiking. I think a lot of fun.
- 22 Yesterday, I cleaned the house by and everyone was surprised when they got home.
- 23 a big park in the middle of New York – it's called Central Park.
- 24 We go to the adventure camp. Mum says it's OK.
- 25 Anna is staying at home today – she doesn't go to work.

VOCABULARY

Task 1

The letters of the words in bold are mixed up. Write them correctly.

- 26 Kangaroos can kick hard because they have **rewulpof** legs.
- 27 The water here is so **ecral** that I can see the sand and some small fish at the bottom.
- 28 Our cat is **dibln**, but she knows every part of the garden and she always finds **her** favourite places.
- 29 In winter, these beaches are **pymet** because it's too cold to swim, but in summer they're full of tourists.
- 30 My pet parrot is very **eclrev** – he can talk and he repeats everything I say to him.
- 31 In spring, the red, pink and yellow roses make the garden very **lucuorfol**.
- 32 It was late and I was asleep when a **dulio** noise woke me up.
- 33 Be careful with that **rasph** knife while you're cutting the vegetables.