

Worksheet Listening 15

Three extracts

Extract 1

You hear two students talking about the results of a music survey.

1. According to the woman, how did the researchers identify participants' musical tastes?
 - a. Participants were asked about music they had bought most recently.
 - b. Participants had to listen and rate a range of pieces of music.
 - c. Participants were invited to give their opinion of well-known songs.
2. What do the students both find surprising about the results of the survey?
 - a. the connection between personality and musical taste
 - b. the similarities between fans of different types of music
 - c. the confirmation of ideas about stereotypes

Extract 2

You hear two musicians talking on the radio about music.

3. What trend have both musicians noticed?
 - a. how their fans are more diverse than they used to be
 - b. how tastes in music change as people get older
 - c. how young people tend to have the same tastes in music as their parents
4. What criticism is made about music festivals?
 - a. There are too many people over forty attending festivals.
 - b. Older musicians are dominating the largest festivals.
 - c. Festival ticket prices are prohibitively expensive for young people.

Extract 3

You hear a discussion on the radio with a choir member and a singing teacher.

5. What does the woman say is a common problem people have with singing?
 - a. They lack rhythm.
 - b. They can't produce notes accurately.
 - c. They find it difficult to remember the words.
6. Why do the speakers think singing in a choir is beneficial?
 - a. It focuses people's attention on their sense of well-being.
 - b. It makes people forget about their problems.
 - c. It increases people's ability to concentrate.

Gap-fill

You will hear a student called Max Bignall giving a presentation about a science club in New York. Complete the sentences below.

The Secret Science Club

Max was surprised that one of the founders of the Secret Science Club was a _____ rather than a scientist.

The Bell House is used for _____ on most weeknights.

Apart from delivering their lecture, presenters at the Secret Science Club often do _____ on stage.

The lecture about _____ was one that Max particularly appreciated.

Max sometimes finds it difficult to understand the _____ which follow the lectures.

Max says that _____ with leading members of the scientific community is a huge benefit.

Max thinks this club follows the tradition of meetings which took place in European _____ in the eighteenth century.

In Max's opinion, the club nights are popular because they make people see the _____ of science to ordinary people.