

Listening Exercises – Opinions

Exercise 1

People are expressing opinions. What is the topic of each opinion? Listen and click the correct answer.

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| 1. | a. the Olympic Games | b. air travel |
| 2. | a. video games | b. tourism |
| 3. | a. TV commercials | b. rock music |
| 4. | a. space exploration | b. medical research |
| 5. | a. winter sports | b. bungee jumping |
| 6. | a. lotteries | b. pets |

Exercise 2

Task 1

People are giving opinions about these topics. Are they for or against them? Listen and check the correct answer.

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| 1. space exploration | For | Against |
| 2. TV commercials | For | Against |
| 3. the Olympic Games | For | Against |
| 4. lotteries | For | Against |
| 5. action movies | For | Against |
| 6. pets | For | Against |

Task 2

Listen again. What reason does each person give? Click on the correct answer.

1. a. It's too expensive.
b. It's how we learn about the universe.
c. It isn't important.
2. a. They're too short.
b. They interrupt his favorite programs.
c. They're boring.

3. a. They encourage an interest in sports.
b. They cost too much.
c. Her country never wins.

4. a. They're dangerous.
b. They're fun to play.
c. They raise money for the city.

5. a. They're too violent.
b. They're too boring.
c. They're too loud.

6. a. They don't have anywhere to play.
b. They don't eat enough food.
c. They cost too much.

Exercise 3

Task 1

People are giving their opinions. Do they agree? Listen and check the correct answer.

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| 1. | Agree | Don't agree |
| 2. | Agree | Don't agree |
| 3. | Agree | Don't agree |
| 4. | Agree | Don't agree |
| 5. | Agree | Don't agree |
| 6. | Agree | Don't agree |

Task 2

Listen again. Are these statements true or false? Check the correct answer.

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| 1. He thinks Spanish is hard to learn. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 2. She thinks lawyers work hard. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 3. He thinks most TV programs are for old people. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 4. He had to wait an hour for the bus. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 5. She likes to try things on before she buys them. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 6. The rain is good for her garden. | TRUE | FALSE |

Exercise 4

People are giving opinions about schools and education. What reason do they give for each opinion?
Listen and write the correct letter.

1. a. All children should get a good education.
2. b. They teach students about the real world.
3. c. They should learn where their food comes from.
4. d. They can do other interesting things after school.
5. e. Some people are better at taking tests than others.

Exercise 5

People are giving their opinions. Do they agree? Listen and check the correct answer.

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| 1. | Agree | Don't agree |
| 2. | Agree | Don't agree |
| 3. | Agree | Don't agree |
| 4. | Agree | Don't agree |
| 5. | Agree | Don't agree |