

PAPER 4 LISTENING (approximately 40 minutes)

Part 1

You will hear three different extracts. For questions 1–6, choose the answer (A, B or C) which fits best according to what you hear. There are two questions for each extract.

Extract One

You hear part of an interview with a woman who works in retail management.

1 How does the woman feel now about her first job in retailing?

- A pleased by the way she handled the staff
- B confident that it gave her a good start
- C relaxed about the mistakes she made

2 What is the woman advised to do next?

- A reflect on her skills
- B volunteer for extra work
- C discuss her situation with her boss

Extract Two

You overhear a woman telling a friend a story about a swan.

3 What problem did the woman have with the swan?

- A She misunderstood its intentions.
- B She underestimated the speed of its approach.
- C She failed to realise the consequences of disturbing it.

4 What is the man's reaction to the story?

- A He feels he would have handled the situation better.
- B He is unconvinced by the woman's version of events.
- C He fails to see quite how serious the problem was.

Extract Three

You hear part of an interview with Bruce Loader, a successful businessman who is talking about his early life.

5 Why did Bruce decide to give up the idea of studying art?

- A He failed to gain a place at art college.
- B He became tired of doing representational art.
- C He was persuaded that he could not realise his ambition.

6 What was his father's reaction to Bruce's decision?

- A He was anxious to discuss alternative employment options.
- B He was angry that a good opportunity had been wasted.
- C He was dismissive of the advantages of higher education.