

MID YEAR EXAM: FCE

UNITS 1-5 GOLD FIRST

LISTENING

► 01 You will hear four different people talking about music. For questions 1–8, match the information in the list (A–I) with the speaker. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use. (progress test 1)

Which person ...

A	thinks musicians work best in the early part of their careers	Speaker 1	1 _____
B	has a very understanding family		2 _____
C	prefers not to go to large concerts	Speaker 2	3 _____
D	hates not having anything to listen to		4 _____
E	gets bored with bands when they become popular	Speaker 3	5 _____
F	doesn't listen to many different types of music		6 _____
G	tells their friends about new musical discoveries	Speaker 4	7 _____
H	tends not to pay for downloads these days		8 _____
I	discovers new music on social networking sites		

02 Listen to an interview with Leo Stone reviewing a book called *Following in Shackleton's Footsteps* by Henry Worsley. Complete the sentences with a word or phrase.

- 1 Henry Worsley attempted an expedition to the South Pole _____ years after Shackleton.
- 2 Worsley took Shackleton's compass and _____ with him on the trip.
- 3 The _____ training was not the most difficult part of preparing for the trip.
- 4 Strong _____ kept Worsley's team inside their tents for a couple of days.
- 5 On the Antarctic Plateau, the _____ caused them to be ill.
- 6 The team reached the point where Shackleton had had to turn back on the 100th _____.

3- You will hear people talking in five different situations. Choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D).

(GOLD EXP B2 PROGRESS TEST 5)

1 You hear an announcement on the radio about the reopening of a leisure club.

What is the speaker doing?

- A apologising for the closure
- B giving information about new personal services available
- C explaining why the club has been closed
- D asking for customer feedback

2 You hear two people talking about a sports lesson.

What does the boy think about his golf lesson?

- A It was amusing.
- B It was embarrassing.
- C It was frightening.
- D It was better than his first lesson.

3 You hear two people talking about a competition.

How is the boy feeling?

- A optimistic about the result
- B glad of the opportunity to play
- C unhappy his friend isn't playing
- D reassured by his friend's good wishes

4 You hear a voice mail message.

Why is the girl leaving the message?

- A to recommend something she's seen on TV
- B to explain why she's missing an event
- C to apologise for causing an accident
- D to talk about a sports practice she's had

5 You hear two students talking at school. What is the boy's opinion?

- A He regrets not going out with the girl and her friends.
- B He sympathises with the girl.
- C He criticises her for going out.
- D He advises the girl about how to feel better.