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LISTENING

1 TRACK 3 You will hear an interview with a marriage guidance counsellor. Choose the correct answer, A, B, C or D.

1 When Melanie hears about the article criticising marriage counselling, she

A knows who wrote it.

B says it is common opinion.

C can't believe someone thinks like that.

D sympathises with the writer.

2 Melanie says the main reason why people need a counsellor is

A a disagreement over spending.

B failing to share housework duties.

C a lack of communication.

D watching too much television.

3 Melanie says that, during meetings, she should definitely avoid

A taking sides in arguments.

B upsetting emotional customers.

C interrupting the customers.

D asking too many questions.

4 According to the expert, problems before marriage can

A cause problems during the wedding reception.

B lead to conflict between the two sets of in-laws.

C prevent the wedding taking place.

D affect the couple's married life.

5 The programme is about

A the role of marriage guidance counsellors in solving problems.

B the skills needed to become a marriage guidance counsellor.

C how to solve problems in a marriage without going to a counsellor.

D how to identify couples who are in need of counselling.

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VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

- 2 Complete the sentences with the missing words. The first letters are given. There is one space for each missing letter.**

I'm not normally a f f r a c t e d to boys who don't read any books at all.

- 1 He let out a loud **g** _____ when he broke his leg.
- 2 My roommate has a nasty **h** _____ of chewing loudly!
- 3 I'm **o** _____ with this new flavour of ice-cream. I can't stop eating it.
- 4 It's **p** _____ normal to miss your friends when you move to a new city.
- 5 She needs to be kinder but it's **e** _____ important that you make an effort too.

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- 3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in the box. There is one extra word.**

roar	think	make	have	fall	give	reach
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If she doesn't make you feel at ease, then you should say something.

- 1 We need to start _____ outside the box if we want to win the prize for innovation.
- 2 We were _____ with laughter watching funny cat videos online.
- 3 From our first date I knew I was _____ for him.
- 4 We couldn't _____ an agreement about where to eat so we went to separate restaurants.
- 5 He _____ me a wave from the other side of the dancefloor and I knew he was the one.

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4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use the Past Perfect Simple or Past Perfect Continuous.

I was confused because he hadn't mentioned (mention) any of that to me before.

- 1 I ordered the wrong amount because I _____ (misunderstand) the client on the phone.
- 2 The kids were happy, hungry and tired because they _____ (play) in the garden all day.
- 3 She _____ (never/want) to get married until she met Phillip.
- 4 I was apologetic but they said they _____ (not wait) long.
- 5 At that point I _____ (not hear) from her in more than three months.

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4 Choose the correct option.

First-borns, *that / who / which* are used to being given responsibility, make great leaders.

- 1 This is the lady *who / which / whose* I told you about.
- 2 The person *which / that / whose* car is parked over there can't be a very good driver.
- 3 They went to Greece, *which / where / who* he proposed to her.
- 4 People *that / which / whose* laugh at such jokes are simply insensitive.
- 5 After a year we had our first child, *that / which / who* was a wonderful experience.

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USE OF ENGLISH

5 Complete the text with one word in each gap.

Moving on

I had such a terrible time last year that I decided to make some major changes in my life. It all started when I split up with my boyfriend. Jerry, who had been my partner for three years, suddenly decided he wanted some time alone and went travelling. I'd ¹ _____ living with my parents up to that point but I decided it was time to move out. A girl ² _____ was doing the same course as me at university had a ³ _____ room so

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I decided to move in with her. I've always been painfully ⁴ _____ and this seemed like a good way to meet new people. Eva, my new flatmate, is very good company and has loads of friends. After a few parties I had definitely become much more confident. I wouldn't say I'm the life and ⁵ _____ of the party, but I am feeling much better about life.

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6 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first. Use the words in capitals. You can use up to six words.

When our car broke down, that man helped us. WHO

He's the man who helped us when our car broke down.

1 Our meal arrived, but before we ate anything, the lights went out. STARTED

We _____ our meal when the lights went out.

2 She is very funny and makes everyone laugh. OF

She has a great _____.

3 Because I met the requirements, I got the job. HAVING

_____, I got the job.

4 My brother has always been passionate about learning. LOVE

My brother has always _____.

5 They studied French for five years from 2011 to 2016. STUDYING

By 2016 they _____ French for five years.

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READING

- 7 Read two texts about weddings. For questions 1-5, choose the correct answer, A, B, C or D.**

ALL SAINTS' AND ALL SOULS'

ON a week-day morning a small congregation, consisting mainly of women and girls, rose from its knees in the church called All Saints'. They were about to disperse, when a smart footstep, entering the porch and coming up the central passage, arrested their attention. Everybody looked. A young cavalry soldier in a red uniform strode up the aisle, with an embarrassment which was only the more marked by the determination upon his face to show none. A slight flush mounted his cheek but he never paused till he came close to the altar railing. Here for a moment he stood alone.

'Tis a wedding!' murmured some of the women, brightening. 'Let's wait!' The majority again sat down. There was a creaking of machinery with a quarter-jack and small bell beneath it, the automaton being driven by the same clock machinery that struck the large bell in the tower. The jack had struck half-past eleven. 'Where's the woman?' whispered some of the spectators. The young sergeant was as silent as he was still. The silence grew to be a noticeable thing as the minutes went on, and nobody else appeared, and not a soul moved.

The rattle of the quarter-jack again, its blows for three quarters, caused many of the congregation to start that artificial coughing which betrays a nervous suspense. But the soldier never moved. There he stood, upright as a column, his cap in his hand. The clock ticked on. The women threw off their nervousness, and giggling became more frequent. Then came a dead silence. Everyone was waiting for the end. The sergeant had not yet turned; every woman in the church was waiting to see his face, and he appeared to know it. At last he did turn, and stalked resolutely down the nave, braving them all.

Opposite the church was a paved square. The young man on leaving the door went to cross the square, when, in the middle, he met a woman. The expression of her face, which had been one of intense anxiety, sank at the sight of his nearly to terror. 'Well?' he said. 'O, Frank – I made a mistake! – I thought that church with the spire was All Saints', and I was at the door at half-past eleven to a minute as you said. I waited till a quarter to twelve, and found then that I was in All Souls'. But I wasn't much

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frightened, for I thought it could be tomorrow as well.'

'Shall it be tomorrow, Frank?' she asked. 'Tomorrow! I don't go through that experience again for some time'.

'But after all,' she expostulated in a trembling voice, 'the mistake was not such a terrible thing! Now, dear Frank, when shall it be?' 'Ah, when? God knows!' he said, and turning from her walked rapidly away.

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- 1 When the soldier entered the church,
 - A he tried unsuccessfully to hide his emotions.
 - B the women and girls were waiting for him.
 - C the first thing everyone noticed was his uniform.
 - D he soon stopped feeling embarrassed.

- 2 While the soldier was waiting in the church,
 - A the church was completely silent except for the bell.
 - B the noise level in the church steadily increased.
 - C the women were watching his face all the time.
 - D the soldier stood completely still.

- 3 The woman felt most frightened when she
 - A realised she was in the wrong church.
 - B saw the expression on Frank's face.
 - C was waiting in the middle of the square.
 - D arrived at All Souls' church.

DON'T SPOIL YOUR BIG DAY

Your wedding day should be the happiest day of your life but it can also be one of the most stressful and expensive days too. How can you make sure your wedding day is unforgettable for the right reasons?

Firstly, consider your budget carefully. Yes, a wedding is a once-in-a-lifetime experience

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but you don't want to be paying for it for the rest of your life. The most important thing is that it is the day when two people who love each other are joined together as one. That will happen whether you have a small party in your home town for your immediate family and close friends or if you get married on a Caribbean beach.

Secondly, the more special and unique your wedding day is, the more can go wrong. In your local town, you will probably know caterers, photographers and DJs who you can trust. All the people on your guest list will be able to afford to come. Things may go wrong but they won't be major disasters and will be the sort of things you can laugh at in the future. If you travel somewhere exotic, you may have delayed or cancelled flights, upset stomachs or extreme weather conditions that could completely ruin your big day. Special friends may not be there because of the cost or lack of time.

Whatever you decide, make sure it is a joint decision. Both sets of parents can be consulted for advice, especially if they are paying for it. However, it isn't their day and they shouldn't dictate to the bride and groom who is going to be invited or any other details.

Finally, your wedding is the first day of your married life. Whatever happens, try to enjoy it.

4 According to the writer, getting married abroad

A makes the day more special.

B is too expensive for most people.

C can cause more problems than a local wedding.

D gives the day more meaning than a local wedding.

5 Overall, the writer's opinion could be summed up by saying:

A The day is special because you are getting married.

B People worry too much about their wedding day.

C The more the wedding costs, the more special the day is.

D You can reduce the stress by letting others make decisions for you.