

LISTENING

Part 1

You will hear people talking in eight different situations. For questions 1 – 8, choose the best answer

(A, B or C).

1 You hear a message on a telephone answering machine.

Why is the speaker calling?

- A to confirm some arrangements
- B to issue an invitation
- C to persuade someone to do something

2 You hear two people talking about a water-sports centre.

The man says the centre should

- A pay more attention to safety.
- B offer activities for small children.
- C provide all the equipment needed.

3 You hear a professional tennis player talking about her career.

What annoys her most about interviewers?

- A their belief that she leads a glamorous life
- B their assumption that she's motivated by money
- C their tendency to disturb her while she's travelling

4 You hear a poet talking about his work.

What is he doing?

- A giving his reasons for starting to visit schools
- B justifying the childlike nature of some of his recent poems
- C explaining that his poems appeal to people of different ages

5 You hear two people talking about a programme they saw on TV.

The woman thinks the programme was

- A irritating.
- B sad.
- C uninformative.

6 You hear two people talking about an ice-hockey game they've just seen.

How does the girl feel about it?

- A pleased to have had the experience
- B relieved that she'd dressed appropriately
- C impressed by the performance of the team

7 You overhear two friends talking about a restaurant.

What do they both like about it?

- A the presentation of the food
- B the atmosphere of the place
- C the originality of the cooking

8 You hear a man talking on the radio.

What type of information is he giving?

- A a travel announcement
- B a weather forecast
- C an accident report

Part 2

You will hear a woman called Angela Thomas, who works for a wildlife organization, talking about the spectacled bear.

For questions 9 – 18, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

Spectacled Bears

Angela says that it was the (9) _____ of the spectacled bear that first interested her.

Angela mentions that the bear's markings can be found on its (10) _____ as well as its eyes and cheeks.

Angela is pleased by evidence that spectacled bears have been seen in (11) _____ areas of Argentina.

Angela says the bears usually live in (12) _____, though they can also be found in other places.

Spectacled bears behave differently from other types of bear during the (13) _____, which Angela finds surprising.

Angela is upset that (14) _____ are the biggest danger to spectacled bears.

Angela says that spectacled bears usually eat (15) _____ and tree bark.

Bears climb trees and make a (16) _____, which fascinated Angela.

When bears eat meat, they much prefer (17) _____ although they do eat other creatures.

One man has produced an amusing and funny (18) _____ about the time he spent studying the bears

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