

## PROGRESS TEST 2

### Listening 1: Listen and fill in the blanks

Mark: Where are you from?

AGNETA: I'm from (1) \_\_\_\_\_. But I work in London.

MARK: What do you do?

AGNETA: I'm a (2) \_\_\_\_\_. I'm freelance. I work for several newspapers.

MARK: How long have you done that?

AGNETA: Here, for about (3) \_\_\_\_\_. And before that I worked for an agency in Finland for three years.

MARK: What do you find most interesting about it?

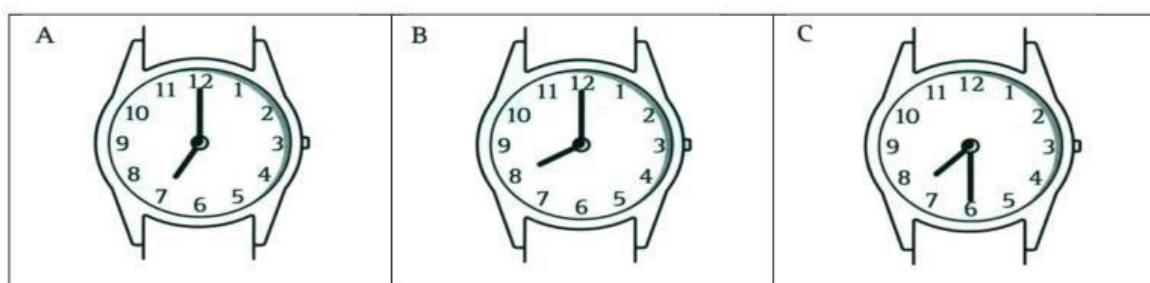
AGNETA: Being (4) \_\_\_\_\_. I work from home, and I don't have a boss!

MARK: What do you do at the weekends?

AGNETA: It depends. In the summer, I do a lot of sport. But in the winter, I usually go to the cinema, or (5) \_\_\_\_\_

### Listening 2: Listen to the three conversations and choose the correct answer.

1. What time will the man and woman meet?



2. How long has Fred worked at CBN?

A. three years      B. four years      C. five years

3. What did the woman find interesting in the presentation?

A. the expected sales figures  
B. the product specification  
C. the plans for marketing

### **Listening 3: Listen to the two people talking at a conference and choose the correct answer**

1. How many days has John spent at the conference?  
A. one day      B. two days      C. three days
2. Who does Lucy need to talk to?  
A. a sales agent      B. a technical expert      C. a marketing consultant
3. What does John agree to do?  
A. go for a coffee      B. go sightseeing      C. go for dinner

### **Listening 4: Listen to the recording about small talk and fill in the blanks with ONE WORD ONLY**

What is it?

- Quick conversations
- With friends or acquaintances
- With totally unknown people
- Talk about (1) \_\_\_\_\_ subjects
- Hated by some
- Called (2) \_\_\_\_\_ talk by others

Why is it important?

- Open doors to more (3) \_\_\_\_\_ discussions.
- Give the chance to know more about one person
- Build (4) \_\_\_\_\_ work relationships
- Help build larger communities- relationships with (5) \_\_\_\_\_ and (6) \_\_\_\_\_
- Make us happier

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- USA: workers who chatted while (7) \_\_\_\_\_ felt happier
- UK: café customers who chatted to a (8) \_\_\_\_\_ felt happier

### **VOCABULARY**

**Keeping a conversation going**

**Match the answers (a-n) with the questions (1-13).**

		<b>Key:</b>
1 Where did you go on holiday?	a. I make documentaries. I'm working on one at the moment about the financial crisis.	1.
2 What are you working on at the moment?	b. Two days ago. I got the plane from Oslo. We were a bit late landing, but it didn't matter.	2.
3 Where are you from?	c. I don't know. I haven't seen it yet.	3.
4 What sort of programmes do you make?	d. At the Grand Hotel. It's very convenient for the office. My room isn't very big, but it's OK.	4.
5 I understand you play a lot of badminton. Is that right?	e. I'm a teacher during the day and I play the drums in a band at the weekend.	5.
6 What do you think of the new office?	f. Well, from Norway. I was born in Bergen, but I live in a suburb of Oslo. It's very pretty, and it's not far from the sea.	6.
7 I've just come back from a trip to Rome. Have you ever been to Italy?	g. I'm working on a new ad campaign with the Paris team.	7.
8 You know, I also studied archaeology, like you.	h. No, but I'm thinking about going for a long weekend. Would you recommend it?	8.
9. Your English is very good. Where did you learn it?	i. That's very kind of you, but I know I make a lot of mistakes. I learned it at school for years, and I've been to England quite a few times.	9.
10. When did you get here?	k. Really? How did we both end up working in an office?	10.
11. So what do you think of Liverpool, Lars?	l. It's really interesting. It's such an old city, isn't it? There are some lovely buildings, and the people are so friendly!	11.
12. What do you do?	m. Yes, that's right. I play every weekend.	12.
13. Where are you staying in HCM?	n. I went to Australia.	13.