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LISTENING TEST

PART 1

1. You will hear a student called Julie talking to her class about her trip to Venice. Are the following sentences true (T) or false (F)?

(1) She went to Venice with her sister. .....

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(2) The boats are called *vaporetti* and they are very short and spacious. .....

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(3) The cheapest way to travel around Venice is by foot, but you can get tired. .....

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(4) The three day ticket to use a *vaporetti* costs 23 pounds.

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(5) Venice is famous for its museums. .....

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(6) There are a lot of pizza and pasta restaurants in Venice. .....

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2. Fill in the gaps with the missing information.

You can use bus, *(7)* ..... or boat to go to Venice from the airport.

Julie and her parents started their journey to Arsenale at *(8)* .....

The museum card costs *(9)* .....

Julie's favourite place to walk was over *(10)* .....

The best food to eat in Venice is *(11)* .....

Julie's parents bought some *(12)* ..... for her relatives.

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SCRIPT

Hi everyone. I'm going to tell you all about my wonderful trip to Venice last week. I went with my family. We arrived on Saturday morning at about 10 a.m. It's very easy to get from the airport to Venice as you can (7) either go by train or bus from the airport or you can do it the more romantic way which is by boat.

The boats are called vaporetti and they are very long and narrow so that they can sail down the canals easily. The wonderful thing about going by boat is that you can see a lot of the city before you've even checked into your hotel. (8) We stayed in an area of Venice called Arsenale. We were on the boat for over an hour before we got to our stop. We set off at 10:15 and we arrived there at 11:30. On the way we cruised past most of the outside of the city.

The cheapest way of travelling around Venice is of course on foot but after a while you will probably get very tired. You can buy a three-day ticket to use on the vaporetti which only costs 20 pounds. (9) We also bought a Museum Card for 30 pounds which we could use to go into the museums, art galleries and churches. That saved us a lot of money.

Apart from its fantastic buildings and squares, Venice is most famous for its canals. (10) The thing I enjoyed most was walking over the many beautiful bridges and watching the boats beneath us.

Now I'd like to mention the food in Venice. There are plenty of restaurants all over the city. As you would expect there are plenty of pizza and pasta restaurants (11) but the nicest thing to eat in Venice is fish.

On the last day we sat and drank fresh juice on the Grand Canal. I took many photos for my friends and bought lots of Italian sweets. (12) My parents bought some toy boats for our cousins. It was the perfect city holiday.

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PART 2

3. You will hear an interview with a young basketball player called Isabella. For each question, choose the correct answer.

1. Why did Isabella start to play basketball?
    a. She didn't have someone at home to play with.
    b. Her parents who worked at a court encouraged her.
    c. There were many basketball courts near her house.

2. Why does Isabella think she is such a good basketball player?
    a. She is naturally talented.
    b. She practises a lot.
    c. She watches basketball on TV.

3. Who was the first to tell Isabella that she could play basketball as a professional?
    a. Her teachers at school.
    b. Her mum and dad.
    c. The students in her class.

4. What was Isabella most proud of?
    a. Winning a medal.
    b. Participating at an international event.
    c. Carrying her country's flag.

5. What are Isabella's plans for the future?
    a. To concentrate on her studies.
    b. To take part in the Olympics.
    c. To win more gold medals.

6. In ten years from now Isabella will definitely want to be...
    a. ...an incredible doctor.
    b. ...a basketball player.
    c. ...a successful woman.

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Man: Hi Isabella, welcome to the show. Can you tell us what made you start playing basketball?

Isabella: I grew up in the centre of the city. We didn't have any parks near to where we lived but there was one small basketball court. (1) My parents used to work many hours every day so I had to find something to do. And guess... I started playing basketball.

Man: And why do you think you became so good at basketball? I mean you are a player at an international youth team now, aren't you?

Isabella: Yes, I've done really well in my sport. I think that's because my parents were not at home during the day and I also hate watching TV, (2) I stayed outside and I played and played and naturally I became really talented.

Man: What was it that made you realise that you could play basketball as a job? You're very young. You're still a student.

Isabella: I started to play for the school team and (3) my teachers noticed how good I was. That's when I started to get some proper training. One of my teachers told my parents that I could do really well in my sport and then persuaded them to support me.

Man: So what has been the best part of your career so far? I'm sure it must have been winning the gold medal in the World Youth Championship.

Isabella: Winning a medal at a World Championship was really great but the best time of all for me was before it started. (4) I got to hold the flag to lead our team around the stadium in the opening ceremony. That was actually the proudest moment.

Man: What about the future? Do you think you will be winning the gold medal at the Olympic games?

Isabella: To tell you the truth, I'm not sure that is what I want to work for next. I honestly don't think being a basketball player was what I really wanted to do. Actually I wanted to be a doctor. (5) I want to study hard and enter university.

Man: How can you imagine your life 10 years from now?

Isabella: The way I see myself ten years ahead of now is not something I often think about. One thing I'm certain of, is that I want to make the most of my years and put all my effort to become (6) a successful, happy woman either as a doctor or as a basketball player. What I would say is that I'm the sort of person who sees good in everyone and everything so I know whatever life holds in store for me it is going to be good.

Man: Isabella, I wish you luck in whatever you decide to do.

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