

Listening Tasks

LISTENING # 1

Artistic Pig

Task 1

Listen to the first part of the recording (0–1.46). Mark the statements (1–6) True or False.

1. Lots of people have heard of “Pigcasso”.
2. Pigcasso is the name of an artistic puppet.
3. According to Joanne, pigs are very clever animals.
4. Joanne gave Pigcasso some objects to play with.
5. Pigcasso destroyed all the objects for playing.
6. Pigcasso’s paintings are sold for \$ 14000.

1	2	3	4	5	6

Task 2

Listen to the second part of the recording (1.47–3.04). For questions (7–12) choose the correct answer (A, B or C).

7. What was one of Pigcasso’s artworks turned into?
 - A. into a watch face by Swatch
 - B. into a “Flying Pig” by Ms. Pigcasso
 - C. into the company’s Twitter page
8. What color does the limited edition “Flying Pig” have?
 - A. green, white and red
 - B. green, blue and yellow
 - C. green, blue and pink
9. What was the limited edition “Flying Pig” sold for?
 - A. \$102
 - B. \$112
 - C. \$120
10. What does Joanne Lefson say about Pigcasso’s artistic movement?
 - A. It’s definitely an impressionist.
 - B. It’s definitely an abstract expressionist.
 - C. It’s definitely an abstract illusionist.
11. What can’t people define during Pigcasso’s work?
 - A. what she’s painting
 - B. what she’s drawing
 - C. what she’s tracing
12. What changes slightly depend on Pigcasso’s mood?
 - A. her pictures
 - B. her colors
 - C. her style

7	8	9	10	11	12

TEST 5

READING

Read the text and mark if the statements are T (true) or F (false) as in the example.

IRELAND

The Republic of Ireland has a population of about three and a half million people. The official language is Irish but people usually speak English. People call Ireland the 'EMERALD ISLE' because it is a very green island. It often rains in Ireland. The countryside is beautiful and Irish people are very friendly. By the way, Ireland is the third largest island in Europe and the twentieth largest island on the Earth.

Have a great time in Dublin! There are wonderful shops, restaurants, music and night life. Walk around the busy streets, visit the museums or relax in one of the parks. Go to Trinity College library. In the library you can see the amazing *Book of Kells* from the 8th century.

Some of the best writers in the English language are from Ireland, for example, Jonathan Swift, Oscar Wilde and James Joyce. You can see their portraits and letters in Dublin's Writers Museum.

Go to Blarney Castle and see the famous Blarney Stone. People say this stone has got magic powers and you will become a brilliant speaker when you kiss it!

Explore Ireland: drive, walk or cycle around the beautiful coast and the green countryside. Stop in wonderful old towns and villages and visit historic castles and churches.

Horse riding, fishing, cycling and walking are popular activities on the island. There are fantastic beaches, too. Try surfing or scuba diving — or just have a swim! [2]

(237 words)

T F

- 0 Ireland is very green.
- 1 Irish people are not very friendly.
- 2 There are good shops in Dublin.
- 3 The stories of Swift, Wilde and Joyce are in English.
- 4 When you kiss the Blarney Stone, you become healthy.
- 5 There are many historic buildings in Ireland.
- 6 Skiing is a popular activity in Ireland.

USE OF ENGLISH

GRAMMAR

Mark the correct variant (A–D) to fill in the blanks (1–6) as in the example.

Andrew Rugasira is an Ugandan businessman. Ten years ago, he decided (0) ___ a new business. At that time, Ugandan coffee farmers made money by selling coffee beans to Western companies, who then made coffee and sold it to supermarkets.

Andrew thought that was wrong. He believed that his farmers didn't earn enough money. He stopped (1) ___ beans to Western companies and started making coffee himself. At first, it was very difficult (2) ___ British and American supermarkets to buy his coffee. But after ten years, he has finally succeeded.

Andrew told me that Africans needed more confidence in their business ideas. 'We should (3) ___ in ourselves. It took me six years, but I kept (4) ___ hard and refused (5) ___.

(6) ___ this business has been good for me, but it's also good for the farmers.'

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VOCABULARY

Mark the correct variant (A–D) to fill in the blanks (7–12) as in the example.

LONDON'S TOWER BRIDGE

Many tourists have visited Tower Bridge. It is the only bridge over the river Thames that can open and (0) ___ ships pass under it. Tower Bridge was built in 1894 and (7) ___ uses the same machines to lift up the two halves of the bridge. In earlier times, the river was (8) ___ busier than now and the bridge (9) ___ to open over a thousand times a year. Today, it only opens twice a week.

In 1952, a big red bus was (10) ___ the middle of the bridge when it started to open. The driver only just got to the other side in time! Of course, now (11) ___ are lights at (12) ___ end and the traffic must wait for them to go green.

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| 12 | <input type="checkbox"/> A every | <input type="checkbox"/> B each | <input type="checkbox"/> C all | <input type="checkbox"/> D any |

WRITING

You have decided to organise a surprise party for your sister. Write a letter to your friend inviting him / her for the party (at least 50 words). Use the plan below and your own ideas:

- details about the party theme;
- place and time;
- directions on how to get there.