

DUBAI, BANKING AND RUNNING MATES

(CPE Listening Paper - Part 1)



You hear a lecturer in psychology talking about the Western World's attitude to Dubai.

1. What transformation has Dubai made?
 - A. it has turned into a global centre of trade
 - B. it has moved away from consumerist mentality
 - C. it has become a major tourism hub
2. What does the speaker find disturbing?
 - A. the way tourists embrace Dubai's capitalist culture
 - B. tourists' willingness to pretend not to see the injustices going on
 - C. tourists' ignorance about what is really happening



You hear two guests on a radio talk show discussing a recent banking scandal.

3. What did the report reveal?
 - A. UK and US banks were laundering money
 - B. widespread misconduct in the UK banking system
 - C. an isolated case of improper conduct by an UK bank
4. What does the female speaker think should happen to those in charge of the banks?
 - A. they should be forced to quit their jobs
 - B. they should have to stand trial
 - C. they should admit their guilt and move on



You hear a lecturer in politics talking to a group of students about tactics in US presidential elections.

5. What point is the speaker making about Kennedy's choice of running mate?
 - A. it was a confusing one since the two men were not likeminded
 - B. it is preferable to pick a running mate with contrasting political views
 - C. his decision was motivated by wanting to win; not personality
6. Why did John McCain fall out of favour with the public?
 - A. he was a poor public speaker
 - B. his running mate undermined his credibility
 - C. he was associated with incompetence and corruption