

# LISTENING CHECKING FOR B1



## LISTENING 1

1. Barack Obama is the \_\_\_ president  
a) 14  
b) 12  
c) 44
2. He's the winner of the.....  
a) noble prize of literature  
b) Nobel Peace Prize  
c) billboard
3. He won the presidential election in.....  
A) 2010  
B) 2007  
c) 2008
4. He is good at.....  
a) Speaking  
b) Writing  
c) Baseball
5. He was born in.....  
a) Hawaii in 1961  
b) South Africa in 1961  
c) Hawaii in 1971
6. He's father is from...  
a) Indonesia  
b) Indonesian  
c) Japan
7. He has lived in.....  
a) Indonesia, London, Chicago  
b) Chicago, Hawaii, Indonesia  
c) Hawaii, Toronto, Chicago
8. He was a..... before becoming a president  
a) doctor and a journalist  
b) senator and a teacher  
c) major and a businessman
9. He supported legislation on conservation.....  
a) energy, immigration  
b) unemployment  
c) environment
10. Obama is currently battling with serious issues such as ...  
a) pollution  
b) education  
c) economy

## LISTENING 2

1. "Bob" Nesta Marley is the greatest ever reggae singer.  
true  
false
2. His life performances were legendary for their passion and energy.  
True  
False
3. The BBC declared his song 'One night ' as the song of the millennium.  
True  
False
4. Marley was born in 1945 in a small village in Jamaica  
True  
False
5. He left school at the age of 12 to make music.  
True  
False
6. It took several years before they became famous.  
True  
False
7. In 1975, Marley released his breakthrough song 'No Woman, No Cry'  
True  
False
8. Marley left Jamaica for England in 1976.  
True  
False
9. He died of cancer in 1981, aged 36.  
True  
False
10. He was given a state funeral in Jamaica according to the Rastafari tradition.  
True  
False

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### LISTENING 3

Choose the best option to complete the passage

Cristiano Ronaldo dos Santos Aveiro was born in \_\_\_\_1\_\_\_\_. He is widely regarded as one of the best players in the world. The legendary Dutch genius Johan Cruyff said he's one of the best ever. Ronaldo became a soccer superstar playing for \_\_\_\_2\_\_\_\_ Manchester United, Spain's Real Madrid and for Portugal. He plays in midfield, from where he regularly scores spectacular goals.

1. a) 1985                      b) 1986
2. a) English team      b) British team

Ronaldo started kicking a ball \_\_\_\_3\_\_\_\_ when he was three. His skill was obvious then and by ten years old, two of Portugal's top clubs wanted to sign him. He joined \_\_\_\_4\_\_\_\_ Lisbon and became the only player in their history to play for the Under-16, Under-17, Under-18, B team and \_\_\_\_5\_\_\_\_ within one season. His skills soon attracted Europe's big teams.

3. a) around              b) about
4. a) team              b) Sporting
5. a) first-team      b) second-team

Manchester United decided Ronaldo was the perfect replacement for David Beckham and signed him in \_\_\_\_6\_\_\_\_. He set the English Premier League alight in his time there with his silky skills, and helped the team win nine \_\_\_\_7\_\_\_\_, including the UEFA Champions League. He also picked up the FIFA World Player of the Year award in 2008.

6. A) 2006                      b) 2003
7. A) trophies              b) medals

In 2009, Ronaldo joined his boyhood heroes \_\_\_\_8\_\_\_\_ and became the most expensive footballer in history. His transfer fee was over \$131 million. He broke Real's scoring record in his second season, with 53 \_\_\_\_9\_\_\_\_ in all competitions. He bettered that in 2011-12, netting 60 times to help Real win Spain's La Liga. In 2012, Diego Maradona said Ronaldo was "the best player on the \_\_\_\_10\_\_\_\_."

8. A) Barcelona              b) Real Madrid
9. A) goals                      b) matches
10. A) world                      b) planet

### LISTENING 4

Follow the listening and put them in order

- ( ) **ordinary** people campaigned to free him and end apartheid. He was released from prison in 1990 and the world **rejoiced**.
- ( ) **for equal** rights and his involvement in the African National Congress (ANC), which he later became the **leader of**.
- ( ) **Nelson was born** in 1918 into a South Africa that was divided along black and white **racial**
- ( ) **to becoming** president of the country he loved. After retiring, he continued to **travel**
- ( ) **Nelson Mandela's** call for racial reconciliation won him the hearts of millions. He also won the
- ( ) **The South African** government did its best to keep Mandela from spreading his **message**
- ( ) **lines**. He said he had a wonderful childhood and was a keen runner and boxer. He learnt more of the
- ( ) **reasons**, he was and remains a huge hero. He was a person from whom we can all **learn**
- ( ) **the world**, helping people and raising awareness of **global issues**.
- ( ) **of equality** for blacks and racial unity. It put him in prison for 27 years. He became **famous**
- ( ) **Nobel Peace Prize**, in 1993, and over 250 more awards. A year later, he became his **country's first**
- ( ) **campaign** for many global causes until old age slowed him down. He died on the 5th of December, **2013 aged 95**
- ( ) **terrible** apartheid system when he studied to become a lawyer. This led to his **campaigning**
- ( ) **Nelson Mandela** was one of the most loved and respected people in the world. **For countless**
- ( ) **ever black** president and served in office until 1999. In his retirement, he continued to tirelessly
- ( ) **many lessons**. He experienced many things in his nine decades, from **being tortured**
- ( ) **around** the world as an icon of the struggle for freedom in South Africa. Rock stars, actors, **politicians and**

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Write the right choice(A,B ,C,D) under the number of the question

1	2	3	4	5	6

Write the word in front of the number of the question

1	5
2	6
3	7
4	8

## LISTENING 5

## PICTURES

Write the right choice(A,B ,C,D) under the number of the question

1	2	3	4	5	6

Write the word in front of the number of the question

1	5
2	6
3	7
4	8

## LISTENING 6

### Choose the correct word based on what you listen

William Bradley Pitt is a British/ American actor and film producer. He is one of Hollywood's superstars and received an Academy Award nomination in 1995 but has yet to win an Oscar. He often tops the "most handsome man/guy in the world" lists. He was married to Jennifer Aniston for five years and is now married to Angelina Jolie, with whom he has six children.

Brad was born in 1973/1963 in Oklahoma. His father owned a trucking company and his mother was a school counselor. He was an active actor /student and enjoyed debating and acting. He studied journalism at the University of Missouri but his heart wasn't really in reporting. He didn't finish his degree but instead drove to Hollywood to look for fame.

In 1988, Pitt landed his first role in 'The Dark Side of the Sun', which was filmed in the former Yugoslavia. He attracted great attention/temptation in the hit movie 'Thelma & Louise'. This made him a sex symbol after he was filmed topless wearing a cowboy hat. Pitt slowly got bigger/the biggest roles, including Robert Redford's 'A River Runs Through It' in 1992.

In 1994, his role in 'Interview with a Vampire' launched him into the big time as Hollywood's hottest character /actor. Other blockbusters followed, including 'Se7en', 'Fight Club', 'Twelve Monkeys' and 'Ocean's Eleven'. Pitt has used his fame/farm to help the homeless in New York /Orleans. He is also behind the organization Not On Our Watch, which raises awareness of the suffering in Darfur.

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