

Task 1a

You are going to hear six extracts about different topics. For items **1 – 5**, match the options (a - g) to the speakers (1 – 5) .. There is **ONE** extra option which you do not need to use. . **0** is the example.

a) a famous cocktail.

b) a new communication resource.

Speaker 1 -----

c) a new restaurant.

Speaker 2 -----

d) a special room.

Speaker 3 -----

e) a cleaning technique.

Speaker 4 -----

f) the charm of a city.

Speaker 5 -----

g) a dictionary.

Speaker 6 -----

Task 1b

You are going to hear **the same six** extracts again. For items **6 – 10**, match the options (a – g) to the speakers (1 – 5) ... There is **ONE** extra option which you do not need to use. . **0** is the example.

a) explains how not to spoil the mixture

0 **example**

b) finds a section of the work useful

6 **Speaker 1** -----

c) lacks social skills

7 **Speaker 2** -----

d) talks about tradition and innovation

8 **Speaker 3** -----

e) usually goes to bars and nightclubs

9 **Speaker 4** -----

f) thinks that it provokes mixed feelings

10 **Speaker 5** -----

g) comments on the suitability of a place

TASK 2

Listen to Mark Thompson, who has worked for the BBC for many years. For questions **11 to 18**, choose the best answer **a), b) or c)** according to what the speakers say, **0** is the example.

BRITISH TELEVISION

0. Thompson thinks British society ...

- a) is not certain about the importance of television.
- b) watches quite a lot of television.**
- c) is not well represented by television.

11. According to Thompson, in general, the average British person ...

- a) is present at big events.
- b) stays together with their family.
- c) is not deeply influenced by television.

12. The impact of technology makes British TV...

- a) into one more form of entertainment.
- b) react against Spain.
- c) compete with foreign channels.

13. Technological changes mean that TV viewers...

- a) are not worth relying on.
- b) will search for compelling programmes.
- c) like to watch accidents.

14. As television is on at home for a long time...

- a) you learn a lot about other people's lives.
- b) it is not very different from the radio.
- c) people are often far from it.

15. Children should learn ..

- a) why some programmes cannot be found.
- b) how to concentrate on their studies.
- c) when to stop watching TV.

16. Reality shows are...

- a) not too different from documentaries.
- b) the best programmes of the last decade.
- c) the purest form of documentary.

17. The best reality programmes...

- a) show crucial changes in people's lives.
- b) are intensely traditional.
- c) are pretty unpredictable.

18. The best word to sum up Thompson's opinion of the BBC is...

- a) creative.
- b) traditional.
- c) religious.

TASK 3

You will hear a report about the world-famous doll Barbie. For questions 19 – 30, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase you hear, (four words maximum), 0 is the example.

CONTEMPORARY BARBIE

Barbie's 43-year romance with Ken is 0 **officially over**.

Gary Alston is 19 _____ Barbie fan.

At first, the roles of Barbie and Ken were 20 _____.

They never appeared to 21 _____ their relationship.

After their split, the famous couple were 22 _____.

Before Barbie, Americans were 23 _____ with regard to dolls.

In comparison with earlier dolls, Barbie was an adult, 24 _____ figure.

Many American parents didn't allow their children to 25 _____.

The real reason for Barbie and Ken's break-up is purely 26 _____.

Mattel decided that Barbie needed a/an 27 _____ boyfriend.

Alston's childhood coincided with the huge explosion in 28 _____

in England.

Back in the 60s, the stereotypes were 29 _____.

After seeing Barbie for the first time, Alston was 30 _____ with her.