

Listening skills practice:

TAKING NOTES.

1. Do this exercise while you listen. Complete the blanks with a word from the box.

difficult - Friday - matter - crown - three - information -
married - these - history - text - write - Pictures - memory

Mark: What's the _____?

Clare: I've got a history exam on _____ and I'm worried I'll fail it.

Mark: Why? You're brilliant at _____.

Clare: It isn't _____ but I have to remember a lot of information. _____ are my notes from today.

Mark: Can I see?

Clare: Yes.

Mark: These aren't notes! This is a full _____!

Clare: What do you mean?

Mark: You don't have to copy everything! 'Notes' are just a few words. You have to - _____ the important words. You don't need to write the extra bits. Look. King Henry the Eighth was _____ six times.

Clare: That's important _____.

Mark: But you don't need to write all of those words. You can draw little pictures too. _____ can help you to remember things and then you don't need to write so many words. Look.

Clare: That's so good! The _____ is for 'King' and the 'H' is for Henry. That's cool. Then the heart is 'love' and a number six ... well that is ehm ... six.

Mark: Yes. So look at these notes. Let's test your _____.

Clare: King Henry the Eighth was married six times.

Mark: Exactly! Write notes like this, Clare. Then you won't have six pages of notes, you'll only have two or _____!

2. CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING: TRUE OR FALSE

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

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| 1. Clare is good at history. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 2. Clare's notes are too long. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 3. Mark thinks you need to write everything. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 4. Mark draws a crown and an 'H' instead of 'King Henry'. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 5. Clare doesn't think Mark's idea is very good. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 6. Mark's way of taking notes doesn't work for Clare. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

1. CHECK YOUR VOCABULARY: GAP FILL

Complete the sentences with a word from the box.

draw	important	write	exam
notes		remember	

1. Clare has got a history _____ on Friday. Mark is helping her.
2. He looks at her _____ from today.
3. He explains she doesn't need to _____ everything, just the _____ words.
4. She can _____ pictures too.
5. Pictures help you _____ facts.

KEEP MOTIVATED AND STUDY HARD.