

Spotlight 11. Module 6

Name _____

Listening

1 You will hear six people talking about celebrities in the media. Match the speakers with the statements A-G below. There is one extra statement.

A The speaker believes that viewers have the choice of turning in to celebrity news or not.

B The speaker believes that the media is providing stories that interest the public.

C The speaker doesn't really care about celebrity news.

D The speaker believes there is nothing wrong with following celebrity gossip.

F The speaker doesn't believe everything he/she hears about celebrities in the media.

G The speaker doesn't understand why the public is so interested in celebrities.

H The speaker believes that the media shouldn't talk about private lives of the famous.

Speaker	1	2	3	4	5	6
Statement						

Reading

2 Read and match the sentences A-H as true, false, not stated.

Nancy Bird Walton was a pioneering Australian airwoman. In the 1930s, rejecting the traditional role of females of her time, she became a fully qualified pilot. She was only 19 at the time.

Nancy Bird wanted to fly almost as soon as she could walk. In 1933, at the age of 18, her passion drove her to take flying lessons. Sir Charles Kingsford Smith, who

was the first man to fly across the mid-Pacific, had just opened a pilots' school near Sydney, and she was among his first pupils. Most women learnt to fly for fun, but Nancy planned to fly for a living.

Using a legacy of 200 pounds from a great aunt plus money loaned by her father, Nancy bought her first aircraft, a Gipsy Moth. Soon after, Nancy and her friend Peggy McKillop took off on a tour, landing at country fairs and giving rides to people who had never seen an aircraft before, let alone a female pilot. Whilst touring, Bird met Reverend Stanley Drummond. He wanted her to set up a flying medical service in New South Wales. In 1935, Nancy was hired to operate the service. Nancy's own Gipsy Moth was used as an air ambulance. Soon she was able to buy a better-equipped aircraft, and she began covering more and more distant territory. She told others that it was rewarding but lonely work.

During World War II, Nancy trained women in skills needed to help the men flying in the Royal Australian Air Force. She was 24 when she married an Englishman, Charles Walton, with whom she had two children. In 1950, Nancy founded the Australian Women Pilots' Association (AWPA). In the following decades she received many honors.

One of her last interviews was for the feature length documentary film Flying Sheilas which provided a unique insight into her life along with seven other Australian female pilots. In all her years of flying, Nancy was never involved in an accident despite the great risks involved in the early years of aviation

A. Nancy Bird broke the traditional perception of careers for women.

1. TRUE

2. FALSE

3. NOT STATED

B. There were other women learning to fly at the same time as Nancy did.

1. TRUE

2. FALSE

3. NOT STATED

C. Sir Charles Smith gave lesson in his school for free.

1. TRUE

2. FALSE

3. NOT STATED

D. Nancy had to borrow money to buy her first airplane.

1. TRUE

2. FALSE

3. NOT STATED

E. Nancy was the founder the first flying medical service.

1. TRUE

2. FALSE

3. NOT STATED

F. During World War II Nancy was a war pilot.

1. TRUE

2. FALSE

3. NOT STATED

G. Nancy was happy as a wife and as a mother.

1. TRUE

2. FALSE

3. NOT STATED

H. Nancy was extremely lucky as a pilot.

1. TRUE

2. FALSE

3. NOT STATED

Vocabulary

3. Match the words in the columns. Then use them to complete the sentences.

1 high tech

A race

2 extra-terrestrial

B signals

3 human

C waves

4 broadcast

D life

5 communication

E hunt

6 radio

F a message

1 Mobile phones use _____ to transmit signals.

2 The Prime Minister is expected to _____ to the British people tomorrow informing them of his resignation.

3 I'm interested in learning about non-verbal _____, so I'm attending a body language seminar.

4 Many scientists believe that probability alone suggests there is _____ in the universe.

5 When atom bomb was developed, many people feared the _____ would destroy itself.

6 Oil companies are currently engaged in a _____ to discover the world's next big oil field.

4. Choose the correct word.

1 Astronomers use _____ telescopes/ _____ screensavers to explore the universe.

2 Please close the curtains. There's a _____ channel/ _____ beam of light coming in from the window.

3 I'm thinking of having _____ light/ _____ laser surgery to correct my eyesight.

4 Earth completes its _____ orbit/ _____ wave around the sun in 365 days.

5 When the boat started sinking, the captain sent out a distress _____ signal/ shred.

6 Scientists believe the _____ cosmos/ _____ civilization is about 15 billion years old.

5 Choose the correct item

1 All sport stations will provide live _____ of the Rugby World Cup.

A coverage B covering C bulletin

2 The _____ story on the news tonight is about a man who claims to have been abducted by aliens.

A hit B top C flash

3 Many of the news stories printed in _____ are just gossip.

A tabloids B broadsheets C newspapers

4 You must have read about the latest political scandal. It's on the _____ page of every newspaper.

A front B first C cover

5 The emergency service has _____ the headlines again for the fourth time this year.

A run B hit C unfold

6 **Fill in: laser, galaxy, air, beam, antenna, telescope.**

1 I can't listen to my radio now, it doesn't work because of broken _____.

2 At our Astronomy lessons we look at the sky through a _____.

3 I think this _____ of light is coming from a _____.

4 Jupiter is in the _____ which the sun belongs.

5 Sending parcels by _____ mail is rather quicker than standard mail.

6 **Fill in: over, out of, down, back, round.**

1 I was going to buy an expensive phone, but my mum talked me _____ it.

2 Sam treats me like a child. He always talks _____ to me.

3 I always talk important things _____ with my parents because I value their opinion.

4 I didn't want to go to the concert, but Andy talked me _____ it.

5 "Don't talk _____ to me like that, Anna! You should show some respect to your elders!"

7. **Dependent prepositions. Fill in: for, about, to, of, on.**

1 They assured me _____ their willingness to help.

2 Dad insisted _____ driving us to the beach.

3 You should apologise _____ your rude behaviour.

4 She complains _____ chest pain.

5 We complained to the manager _____ the restaurant's poor service.

Grammar

8. **Fill in said, told or asked, then report the sentences.**

1 "What does this issue say?" she _____ Sarah.

2 "Don't talk on the phone for hours!" mum _____ to Kate.

3 "Send me e-mail later!", she _____ Pam.

4 "Why don't we make a newspaper?" Jane _____ her granny.

5 "You can go with me", Tony _____ me.

9. Choose the correct word.

1. She _____ us to stand up.
2. Mr Jones _____ the manager he was leaving.
3. Everybody _____ the concert had been terrible.
4. I didn't _____ Meg that I was coming today.
5. The Prime Minister _____ that things would get better soon.
6. Alice _____ she was sick.
7. Nancy didn't _____ us anything.
8. You _____ me you were working tonight.