

Listening Part 2

▶ 38 You will hear Lindsey Jones, a recent graduate, talking to a group of students about travelling abroad to find work. For questions 1 – 8, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

According to Lindsey, Germany and Singapore are two of the more unusual (1) _____ for young people looking for work in other countries.

Lindsey thinks that the British jobs she could apply for are not the right level for a (2) _____ like her.

Lindsey believes she has a better chance of finding a job at home if she has experience of working in a healthier (3) _____.

Food and (4) _____ are more expensive in New Zealand than in Britain.

A friend (5) _____ Lindsey not to expect to find work easily in New Zealand.

Some young people like to use (6) _____ to help them organise their visits.

Working as a waitress in Sydney made Lucy feel like a (7) _____ of the city and part of the community.

Lucy's (8) _____ has increased as a result of working in Australia.

Listening Part 3

 48 You will hear part of a radio interview in which two psychologists, Stella Burrows and Simon Peres, are giving advice to office workers. For questions 1 – 6, choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which fits best according to what you hear.

- 1 Why does Stella mention 'the smooth talker' and other office types?
 - A They are successful personas to adopt.
 - B They are people who don't contribute much to a company.
 - C They are kinds of people we should try to avoid in offices.
 - D They are characters every office worker will recognise.

- 2 According to Simon, what should 'live-to-work' employees consider?
 - A the best way to impress their boss
 - B what colleagues really think of them
 - C achieving a work-life balance
 - D perfection is desirable

- 3 According to Stella, why might colleagues be irritated by 'work-to-live' types?
 - A They seem to have no ambition.
 - B Their excuses may be unconvincing.
 - C They may not do their fair share of work.
 - D Their lack of effort goes unnoticed by senior staff.

- 4 Simon thinks the majority of employees
 - A are too conscientious.
 - B are neither of the types described.
 - C do not make enough effort.
 - D have a healthy work-life balance.

- 5 According to Stella, what will happen if someone does not take their job seriously?
 - A They will irritate their colleagues.
 - B Their colleagues will feel obliged to work harder.
 - C Their colleagues will envy them.
 - D They will lose the trust of their colleagues.

- 6 Stella warns employees against
 - A constantly seeking advice from superiors.
 - B asking colleagues for their views.
 - C giving advice which was not asked for.
 - D openly criticising other people's contributions.



Exam tip

Before you listen, read through the questions and underline the main idea in them. This will provide a focus for your listening. While listening, wait until the speaker has finished talking before you choose your answer. Listen for the idea expressed in the four possible answers rather than for specific words.