LISTENING PRACTICE 1

I. You will hear part of a radio discussion with Ellen Harrington of the Meadow Lane Residents Group, and Tim Barlow from Carton Town Planning Department. For questions 1-5, choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D) which fits best according to what you hear.

1. What was Ellen's first reaction when the town centre was closed to traffic?

A. She was terrified.   B. She was miserable.

C. She was delighted.   D. She was suspicious.

2. The mood of the Meadow Lane residents can best be described as _____.

A. resigned   B. dissatisfied   C. furious   D. dejected

3. How does Tim feel about the changes in the town centre?

A. He regrets they were made so quickly.

B. He believes they were inevitable.

C. He thinks the town council should have foreseen the problem.

D. He is proud the town council went forward with them.

4. What does Tim think about the protest Ellen's group is planning?

A. He doesn't think it will accomplish anything.

B. He thinks it is not aimed at the right people.

C. He doesn't think drivers will be affected.

D. He thinks it will be dangerous.

5. What does Ellen think will make the protest effective?

A. the amount of publicity it will generate

B. the inconvenience it will cause to drivers

C. the number of demonstrators who will take part

D. the forthcoming election

II. For questions 6-10, listen to a complaint from a woman called Julie Gold and decide whether these statements are True (T) or False (F). Write your answers in the corresponding numbered boxes provided.

6. Her complaint today was about a car booking in Baker Road.

7. The car she wanted to use was not in the correct location.

8. The advisor assumes that the previous car user was not able to park in the correct place.

9. Julie was shocked to discover that the car had been heavily damaged.

10.   The advisor says that the caller will not be charged for today's booking *Your answers:*

III. Question 11-15. Answer the question below. Write NO MORE THAN FIVE WORDS for each answer.

11. Who works in the Beehive building?

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12. What nationality was the architect of the building?

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13. In which year did construction of the building start?

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14. How long did it take to construct?

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15. How tall is the building in metres?

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*IV. Listen to the news and fill in the missing information. Write **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS** taken from the recording for each answer in the space provided.*

These are projected to be the (1)……………………………in the world in 2050, 35 years from now, determined by numerous factors, including current growth rates migration, fertility

population age and (2)……………………………

Vietnam is currently (3)………………………..and will fall five spots.

Uganda is this list's (4)………………………………jumping 21 places by nearly tripling its population.

Japan's (5)…………………………… and low birth rate will see it lose 6 spots and decrease in size by 18 million people.

Russia is hemorrhaging due to its (6)…………………………

13th is Tanzania, continuimg the dominant trend of huge Sub-Saharan African projected population gains by (7) …………………….....…… and increasing its population by 174%

Congo will more than double in size, gaining seven spots on this list. Slow development and a lack of access (8)…………………………………..are the main reasons why populations in

Africa are booming.

The 11th- ranked country will be Mexico, the same rank it held 35 years earlier by gaining

people at a (9)……………………….....………

As Brazil becomes an (10)………………………….…….., its boom will slow.