8.3 LISTENING

Multiple choice

I can follow an informal interview on a common topic.

1 SPEAKING **Read UK TODAY and discuss which facts you find most surprising. Do you think the situation is similar or different in your country?**

UK TODAY



- A 'young offender' can be anybody from the age of ten to seventeen (twelve to seventeen in Scotland) who commits a crime.
- Each year, almost 1,600 young offenders are sent to young offenders' prisons.
- The most common crimes are theft, violence and criminal damage.
- The average sentence is sixteen months.
- It costs over £140,000 a year to keep a young offender in prison.
- 54 percent of young offenders are aged seventeen.
- 97 percent of young offenders are boys.
- 88 percent of young offenders have been excluded from school.
- 68.1 percent of young offenders commit another crime within twelve months of leaving prison.

2 3.30 **Listen to an interview with Daniel, an ex-offender, and answer the questions.**

1 Why is the government worried about young offenders' prisons?
2 What happens to young offenders at night?
3 How do young offenders earn money to buy sweets and phone calls?
4 Why do some offenders want to stay in prison?
5 Who thinks young offenders should be punished more?

EXAM FOCUS Multiple choice

3 3.30 **Listen to the interview again. For questions 1–5, choose the correct answer, A, B, C or D.**

1 The government are planning to
A write a special report about prisons for young offenders.
B make an example of teenagers who break the law.
C educate young offenders more effectively.
D make young offenders' prisons harder.

2 When they behave badly, young offenders
A are not allowed to watch television.
B are locked in their cells all evening.
C have to attend lessons.
D cannot make phone calls.

3 One of Daniel's friends damaged a few cars
A a few days after he was released.
B because he wanted to steal them.
C in a supermarket car park.
D in order to go back to prison.

4 Daniel believes that the best way to make young offenders into better citizens is to
A lock them in cells and punish them.
B give them hope for the future.
C show them that life is simple.
D make prison like a holiday camp.

5 Based on Daniel's interview, the government's plans
A will make prisons more enjoyable.
B will probably help some young offenders.
C are a complete waste of time.
D are likely to be very popular.

WORD STORE 8D Prison

4 3.31 **Complete WORD STORE 8D with the verbs in the box. Then listen and repeat.**

5 **Complete the questions with the correct form of a word in WORD STORE 8D.**

Should young offenders ...
1 always go to prison if they _____ the law?
2 serve their whole _____ in prison?
3 be _____ in their cells at night?
4 be _____ from prison if they don't have a home to go back to?

6 SPEAKING **Discuss the questions in Exercise 5.**

PRONUNCIATION FOCUS

7 3.32 **Listen and put the words into groups A, B, or C depending on the stress.**

~~appreciation~~ determined investigation offender sympathetic unexpected

A ▪■▪	B ▪▪■▪	C ▪▪▪■▪
		appreciation

8 3.33 **Listen, check and repeat the words.**

LIVEWORKSHEETS