

Listening

Exam spot

In Paper 3 Part 3 the eight options A–H may be presented as sentences that summarise what each speaker says. Identify key words in the sentences to help you predict content.

4 You will hear five different callers to a radio phone-in giving their views about educational performance in Britain. First, read A-H and underline the key words.

- A Changes in society explain why boys and girls have different career ambitions.
- B The recently improved academic performance of girls should be recognised.
- C Young children often see older brothers and sisters as role models.
- D Limited educational opportunities are affecting some children's development.
- E Parents tend to raise boys and girls differently from a young age.
- F Boys can miss out on the influence of men while they are growing up.
- G Government figures show that there are fewer male infant teachers nowadays.
- H A different approach is needed to the early stages of learning.

5 2.04 Listen to Speaker 1. Complete this summary using present tenses. Then match the content to one of the options A–H.

The first speaker claimed that there (1) too many women teachers in British schools and argued that boys (2) men as role models. He also suggested boys (3) more by broken marriages than girls.

6 2.05 Now listen to Speakers 2–5 and note down the main points each person makes. Then report their views by writing summaries similar to the one in 5. Match your summaries to A–H and write your choices below.

Speaker 2 Speaker 3
Speaker 4 Speaker 5