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Dictation

1 [Track 8] Listen and write the sentences you hear, including the punctuation.

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Listening

2 [Track 9] Listen to four people talking about fashion. For questions 1–6 choose the correct answer, A, B or C.

1 What clothes does speaker 1 usually wear?

A The same clothes as her friends
B Clothes she finds comfortable
C Brightly-coloured clothes

2 Speaker 1 says

A she often tells people she doesn't like their clothes.
B she often buys things that other people are wearing.
C people often ask her where she buys her clothes.

3 Speaker 2 is surprised that

A people don't ask her where she goes shopping.
B her friends look better than she does.
C people don't dress up for concerts and festivals.

4 Speaker 3 gets fashion advice from

A his girlfriend.
B his friends.
C his sister.

5 Why is speaker 4 annoyed?

A He is unhappy with the way he looks.
B His colleagues are unkind about his appearance.
C He's angry that he doesn't look better than his colleagues.

6 Speaker 4 thinks

A everyone should feel free to make their own decisions.
B everyone wants to look the same as him.
C people are intolerant because they are jealous of him.

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Reading

3 Read the text and answer the questions.

NO TO TV SEXISM!

Do you watch the news on television? Do you ever think: 'Why are the men middle-aged and serious but the women are young and attractive?' Where are all the middle-aged women? The news is a serious programme. It isn't a fashion show. We don't watch it for fun, but because we want to know what is happening in the world. When we watch the news, we need to know that the stories are true and that the people reading the news can tell us clearly and calmly what is happening and why.

So, why do TV companies only employ attractive, slim young women? The answer is sexism! They look at the male newsreaders and see people who are intelligent and serious. They don't have to be handsome or young. The female newsreaders are there for a different reason. The TV companies think that men just want to look at them. They have to be attractive for the male viewers watching.

They also have to wear elegant clothes and have nice hairstyles for the female viewers.

This is a very old-fashioned and wrong way of looking at women and their place in society. It tells women that when they reach middle-age we don't want them. It also tells girls not to worry about studying. They just need to worry about their appearance. That's the best way for them to get on in life. Only we can change this situation.

Sign your name below to show your opinions. I say 'no' to TV sexism. *Helen Chatteris Craig Simons*

1 What are male TV newsreaders like?

2 Why do people watch the news?

3 What kind of women do TV companies employ?

4 What does sexism tell women?

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