

LISTENING PART 1



09 You will hear people talking in eight different situations. For questions 1–8, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

- 1 You hear a man talking about a journey. How did he travel?
 - A by bus
 - B by plane
 - C by train
- 2 You hear two people talking about the local bus service. What do they say about it?
 - A The fares are too expensive.
 - B The seats are uncomfortable.
 - C The drivers are rude.
- 3 You hear two people talking about a place they have just visited. What kind of place is it?
 - A an art gallery
 - B a cinema
 - C a shop
- 4 You hear a travel agent talking to a man about a holiday. What does she advise him to do?
 - A purchase travel insurance
 - B book excursions in advance
 - C take warm clothing
- 5 You hear a man talking to a friend about a travel programme he has recently watched. What does he say about the programme?
 - A It gave lots of useful advice.
 - B It was better than he had expected.
 - C It made him decide to visit a place.
- 6 You hear a woman talking about somewhere she has visited. What point is she making?
 - A It appeals more to children than adults.
 - B It reminded her of her childhood.
 - C It is similar to another place she has visited.
- 7 You hear a man phoning a hotel. What does he want to find out?
 - A how good the local transport services are
 - B whether the hotel is suitable for children
 - C when the restaurant opens in the evening
- 8 You hear a woman talking about a cruise she went on. What didn't she like about it?
 - A the lack of variety
 - B the food on board
 - C the places they visited



SPEAKING PART 1

1  **10** Listen to four speakers answer a question in Part 1 of the Speaking test. Match the speakers to the questions they answer.

- A** What do you do in the school holidays? _____
- B** Can you tell me about the place you come from? _____
- C** What type of holiday would you like to go on? _____
- D** How do you usually get to school? _____

2  **10** Listen again to the speakers. Complete the sentences with the words they use.

Speaker 1

- 1** It's a _____ little place, with just one shop, a school and not much else really.
- 2** There's no water close by, no lakes or rivers, so many people have swimming pools in their gardens because it's absolutely _____ in summer.

Speaker 2

- 3** I haven't passed my driving test yet so I usually take the bus or _____ to school.
- 4** In summer I might walk if I've got the _____, but that's not very often!

Speaker 3

- 5** It depends on the _____.
- 6** During the winter holidays, we just _____ out at each other's houses or go out for pizza or something like that.

Speaker 4

- 7** I'd probably _____ a city break as I live in the countryside and big cities are much more exciting.
- 8** I'd definitely want to stay right in the centre, where all the _____ is.

3 This advice was given to a B2 First candidate before the Speaking test. Tick the good advice.

- 1** Don't speak too quickly or too slowly. Slow down for important points and speed up a bit for less important details.
- 2** Stay up all night watching English films the night before the test.
- 3** Part 1 is just a practice so don't bother giving full answers.
- 4** You must speak only to the other candidate in Part 1.
- 5** Try to use a variety of vocabulary and grammar.
- 6** In Part 1 you might be asked Yes/No questions. You will still need to explain your answers and give examples and explanations.
- 7** Don't take your water into the exam.