

PART 1 - LISTENING

LISTENING FUNDAMENTALS (3): NUMBERS (2)

Part Three Decimal Fractions

♪ Track 3.01 ♪

In decimal fractions, an "0" has two names. If it comes before the decimal point, it's called *naught*; after the point, it's pronounced *oh*. Numbers before the decimal point are said normally: *one, two, ten, thirteen, twenty-four, two hundred*, etc. After the point, we say each number by itself; we don't say *hundred, thousand*, etc., e.g. 1.23, we say *one point two three*.

Look at the notes:

0.1	naught point one
0.01	naught point oh one
0.002	naught point oh oh two
2.123	two point one two three
41.005	forty-one point oh oh five

Exercise 1 Traffic at Britain's main airports

♪ Track 3.02 ♪

You will hear about passenger traffic at Britain's main airports in 1990 and 1993. Listen to the recording and write down the figures in the correct columns.

Name of Airport	1990 (in millions)	1993 (in millions)
Manchester	10.1	13.1
Glasgow		
Birmingham		
Edinburgh		
Newcastle		
Bristol		

Notes

We use percentages when we want to express a number more simply. Percentage means the number of X per 100; for example, there are 50 students in the class; and if 25 of them are boys, we can say 50% of the students are boys.

The "per cent" is said after the number:

20%	twenty per cent
26%	twenty-six per cent

We can use % with decimals:

7.02%	seven point oh two per cent
0.51%	naught point five one per cent

Exercise 2 Household expenditure

♪ Track 3.03 ♪

Now listen to the report on consumers' expenditure in 1983 and 1993 at market prices and write down the percentages in the correct columns.

Consumers' Expenditure	1983 (%)	1993 (%)
Food		
Alcoholic drink		
Tobacco		
Housing		
Recreation, entertainment and education		
Other goods and services		

Exercise 3 Migration

♪ Track 3.04 ♪

Listen to the recording and write down the total numbers and the percentages in the right columns.

	Emigration from Britain (1993)	Immigration to Britain (1993)
Total number		
Other EU countries		
Australia, Canada or New Zealand		
The United States		
Commonwealth countries		
The Middle East		
South Africa		

Note

EU = European Union

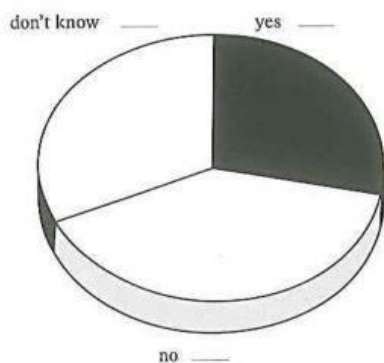
Exercise 4 Interview about the earthquake

Track 3.05

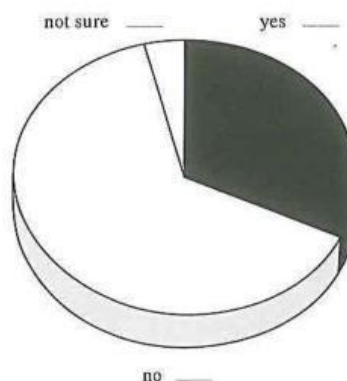
Look at the pie charts and listen to the short interview about the earthquake. Write down the percentages you hear.

We asked Nanaimo people about earthquakes:

Do you feel that local schools are adequately prepared for an earthquake?



Do you have an earthquake emergency kit in your home?

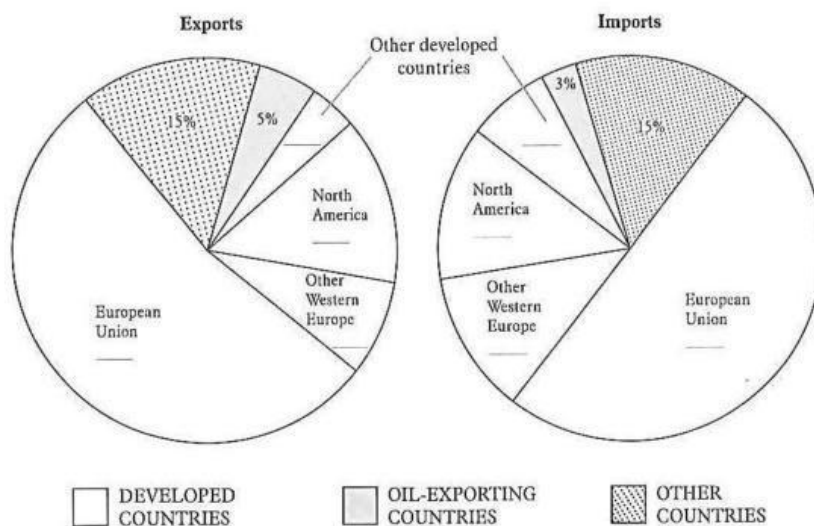


Exercise 5 British trade

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You will hear a talk about British trade in 1993. As you listen, write down the percentages in the appropriate places.

Geographical Distribution of Trade in 1993



Part Four Money

British money has pound (£) and pence (p). 1 pound = 100 pence.

£ is written before the number, but it is said after the number.

£1 a/one pound

£20 twenty pounds

£100 a/one hundred pounds

p is written after the number, and said after it.

50p fifty pence

76p seventy-six pence

A sum of money can be said in different ways:

£10.50 1. ten pounds fifty pence

2. ten pounds fifty

3. ten fifty

£21.99 1. twenty-one pounds ninety-nine pence

2. twenty-one pounds ninety-nine

3. twenty-one ninety-nine

Exercise 1 How much is this?

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Listen to the recording and write down the price for each item.

1.



CD player

price: _____

2.



bicycle

price: _____

3.



TV

price: _____

4.



camera

price: _____

5.



radio

price: _____

6.



binoculars

price: _____

Exercise 2 How much does this cost?

♪ Track 3.08 ♪

Listen to the recording and write down the prices (in figures) in the spaces provided.

1. How much does this cost, please? _____
2. What's the price of that book, please? _____
3. How much are those shoes, please? _____
4. How much is that, please? _____
5. How much is the bill, please? _____
6. Can you tell me how much is left in my bank account, please? _____
7. How much will it cost to send this letter to France? _____
8. What's the price of that bike over there? _____
9. How much is the return ticket to Edinburgh? _____
10. How much does this cost, please? _____

Exercise 3 Living in London (1)

♪ Track 3.09 ♪



Listen to the talk and write down the prices in the boxes provided.

Transport	Price
Bus fare (minimum)	
Underground fare (minimum)	
Taxi fare (minimum)	
Coach fare	

Exercise 4 Living in London (2)

♪ Track 3.10 ♪

Listen to the second part of the talk and write down the prices in the boxes provided.

Living	Price
Rent for one room	
Rent for a one-bedroom flat	
A local telephone call	
Posting a letter	
A bottle of beer	
Use of a large washing machine	
Use of a small washing machine	
Use of a tumble drier	
Washing powder (a medium-sized packet)	

Exercise 5 Living in London (3)

♪ Track 3.11 ♪

Listen to the last part of the talk and write down the prices in the boxes provided.

Clothes	Price
A shirt	
A jacket	
A pair of jeans	
A pair of running shoes	
A warm coat	
A light raincoat	
A skirt	
A day dress	