

3 LISTENING & PRONUNCIATION

connected speech



Jack Horton lives in San José in Costa Rica, where he teaches computer science at a secondary school.

- a  **11.4** Listen to Jack talking about what surprised him when he arrived in Costa Rica. In general, is he positive, negative, or neutral about living there?



- b  **11.5** You're going to hear eight three- and four-word phrases that Jack says, linking the words. Listen and write the phrases.

1 *how incredibly friendly*

- c Listen to the whole interview again. Then, with a partner, complete the sentences.

The people (the ticos)

- 1 They are much _____ than people in Europe.
- 2 *Pura vida* really means 'things _____'.
- 3 They are often _____ for appointments because they use 'tico time'.

The weather

- 4 The temperature is about _____ all year round.
- 5 In September and October, it _____ really _____ for two hours a day.

The country

- 6 The scenery is even _____ than he expected.
- 7 He was _____ the first time a volcano erupted.

The food

- 8 The only things you can buy cheaply are _____, _____, and _____.
- 9 He really likes the _____.

San José

- 10 He thinks it's probably _____.
- 11 The roads are _____.

- d Would you like to go to Costa Rica for a holiday? Would you like to live there?