

Test 1 Training

Listening Part 2

In this part you:

- **listen** to a recording with one or more speakers.
- **write** down words from the recording to complete sentences.
- **hear** the answers in the same order as in the recording.

Tip! Be careful when you're listening for the answer to a question. You may hear several pieces of information that **sound** like the answer you need, but there will only be **one** idea that fits the sentence.

- 1a** Read exam question 9 below and the extract from the recording script in Exercise 1b. Which answer fits the gap?

You will hear a boy called James talking about sports at school.

James says that at the moment **9** is the sport he spends most time on at school.



- b** Underline the part of the recording script that contains the answer. What other sports does James mention? Why aren't they the correct answer?

I've played a lot of sport at school over the past two years, mostly rugby – I've been in the team for ages. My teacher says I'm really good at tennis, too. But I've just started playing basketball, which is a new sport for me, and I'm playing that more than anything else right now, 'cos I really enjoy it more, to be honest. I'm sure I'll pick up my other sports again soon, though.

- c** **04** Listen to the recording and write the answer in the correct place.

- 2a** Cover the recording script below and then look at question 10 about the next section of the recording. Before you listen, think of two or three possible words to complete the sentence. Then read the recording script and underline the words which give you the answer.

Tip! Write your answer in capital letters. Your answer must be legible.

James was surprised to see his **10** among the spectators at a match recently.

One thing I don't enjoy so much, though, is when we play matches against other schools and lots of spectators are there watching. That makes me a bit nervous – till we start playing, anyway. My parents try to come as much as they can – my mum's always there, with my sister. My father always works late and so can't make it, and my brother is away at university so I never expect him to come – but then at a really big match one evening I looked up and there he was, sitting and watching me! It was fantastic!

- b** **05** Listen to the recording and complete the information about where James's family usually are when he plays matches.

his father his mother his sister his brother

Which word is used to introduce the contrasting information about James's brother which gives us the answer?

- 3a** You are going to listen to James talking about playing in a tournament. Before you listen, look at the gap in the sentence below. What *kind* of word might fit?

Tip! You may have to write one, two or three words in the gap. They should be the **same words** as you hear in the recording.

James says he recently played in a tournament that took place at the **11** in his town.

- b** **06** Listen to the recording and complete the sentence.

- c** What other possible answers did you consider? Why were they wrong?

07 You will hear a student called Lorna Myers giving a talk to her class about her trip to a seal sanctuary. For questions 9 – 18, complete the sentences.

Tip! You'll have time at the start of the test to read through the rubric and the sentences, so use that time to think about what **kind** of information you're listening for.

Trip to the seal sanctuary

Lorna went to the sanctuary with her **9**

Lorna mentions that **10** seal is another name for the common seal.

Lorna learnt that after a period of only **11** a baby seal has to look for its own food.

Baby seals at the sanctuary are fed with **12** until they're a bit older.

Lorna was surprised to hear that, like her, seals are keen on eating **13**

Lorna thinks that a **14** sounds like a good place to rest.

One seal, called Sammy, was fed by some **15** until he was rescued.

Lorna recommends a café called **16** as a good place to eat.

Lorna suggests that having a **17** at the sanctuary would be financially helpful for it.

Lorna is looking forward to visiting some **18** when they come to the sanctuary.



Advice

11 You can write out the answer in numbers or in words.

12 What foods are mentioned? Which one is most likely to be suitable for a baby seal?

15 Which people are mentioned? Which ones looked after Sammy? Which ones took him back to the sanctuary?