

LISTENING PRACTICE for GRADE 8

Part I: Listen to a customer speaking to telephone support. Answer the questions choosing either "True", "False" or "Not Given" if the information isn't included in the recording.

Note: Only write "T" "F" or "NG" for your answer

1. Jackie was surprised that David had problems placing his order.
2. David needs to order the software for his office.
3. Jackie gives him the 25% discount even though he's not ordering online.
4. The Mac version is more expensive than the Windows version.
5. Jackie tells David that the free microphones are usually not very good quality.
6. The company offers free shipping.
7. David buys both versions of the software.

Part 2:

You will hear an interview with a 17-year-old boy called Erik who went cycling across the USA with his dad.

- 8.** Erik and his dad wanted to do a long cycle ride to
- A make money for charity.
 - B break their usual routine.
 - C spend lots of time together.
- 9.** Why did they choose to cycle in the USA and not in other countries?
- A To avoid difficulties with language.
 - B They thought it would be safer.
 - C It was easier to organise.
- 10.** How did Erik feel as they were setting off?
- A surprised at how relaxed they were
 - B excited about all the things they'd see
 - C nervous they wouldn't succeed
- 11.** Erik's favourite days were those on which
- A they didn't cycle as far as usual.
 - B the weather was warm and dry.
 - C they had a chance to be sociable.
- 12.** Erik says that during the ride, he and his dad
- A talked about many personal issues.
 - B became comfortable with silence.
 - C disagreed about many things.
- 13.** In the future, Erik plans to
- A start taking part in races.
 - B go on another long ride.
 - C only cycle during his free time.