

 Getting Ready

I think one of
the biggest issues
we face is...

CD 3-37 Listening 1

People are talking about issues. Which issue do they think is most important right now? Listen and circle the correct answer.

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| 1. a. water pollution | 4. a. government |
| b. air pollution | b. unemployment |
| 2. a. unemployment | 5. a. public transportation |
| b. crime | b. unemployment |
| 3. a. public transportation | 6. a. education |
| b. housing | b. health |

Listening 2

CD 3-38 ▶ Task 1

What issues are these people talking about? Listen and circle the correct answer.



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| 1. a. air pollution
b. water pollution
c. overpopulation | 3. a. poverty
b. overpopulation
c. war | 5. a. air pollution
b. garbage
c. unemployment |
| 2. a. global warming
b. water pollution
c. unemployment | 4. a. crime
b. traffic
c. air pollution | 6. a. housing
b. poverty
c. crime |

CD 3-38 ▶ Task 2

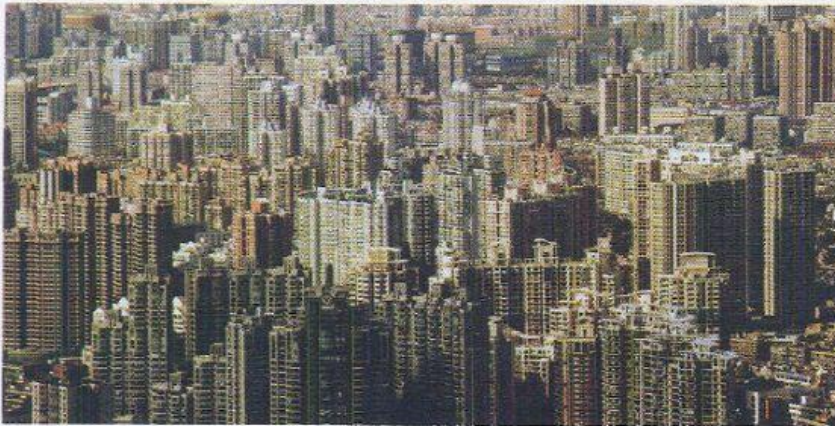
Listen again. Are these statements true or false? Check (✓) the correct answer.

	True	False
1. He wants to be the mayor of his city.	☐	☒
2. She's going to move to Chicago.	☐	☐
3. He reads a lot of sports magazines.	☐	☐
4. She bought a new car.	☐	☐
5. She buys less packaged food, like frozen dinners.	☐	☐
6. He moved to a small apartment downtown.	☐	☐

Listening 3

CD 3-39 ► Task 1

Listen to a talk on very large cities, or "megacities." Why do people move from the country to megacities? Listen and check (✓) the reasons you hear.



	Reason	Not a reason
1. They want to find work.	☒	☐
2. They want to be farmers.	☐	☐
3. They think salaries will be higher.	☐	☐
4. They think the work will be easier.	☐	☐
5. They think the people will be friendly.	☐	☐
6. They think city life will be glamorous.	☐	☐
7. They want to be on television.	☐	☐
8. They want better health care.	☐	☐

CD 3-39 ► Task 2

Listen again. Are these statements true or false? Check (✓) the correct answer.

	True	False
1. Jobs are often difficult to find in megacities.	☒	☐
2. Salaries in megacities are very low.	☐	☒
3. Many people end up in huge, expensive houses.	☐	☐
4. Health care is much cheaper in megacities.	☐	☐
5. Air pollution is a problem in megacities.	☐	☐
6. The problems in megacities are becoming easier.	☐	☐

Dictation

CD 3-41 ► Task 1

Listen to the conversation. Write the missing words.

A: There are _____ in the world today.

B: I know. There's water pollution, air pollution, global warming, unemployment.

A: Yeah, and there's the destruction of the rain _____, _____, housing shortages. It can get depressing if you think about it too much.

B: No kidding. What do you think the biggest issues are?

A: I really think air pollution is the most important issue. If we don't _____ and improve air quality, we'll all have health problems.

B: I agree that air pollution is a _____. The air in the city has become so dirty.