

FCE LISTENING PART 1

1 You hear a film review on the radio. What criticism does the reviewer make?

- A the acting is poor
- B the music is unsuitable
- C the story is difficult to follow

2 You hear two students talking about a holiday abroad. What do they agree about?

- A Foreign travel is harmful to the environment.
- B It is becoming more expensive to travel abroad.
- C Holidays are more enjoyable if you go abroad.

3 You hear a woman talking on the radio about a place called Dolphin Bay. Where did she first hear about Dolphin Bay?

- A on the Internet
- B on the radio
- C on television

4 You overhear a woman talking outside the post office. Why had she gone to the post office?

- A to collect a parcel
- B to buy stamps
- C to send a parcel

5 You hear part of a discussion on local radio. What is the programme about?

- A building new housing
- B protecting wildlife
- C improving road safety

6 You hear a man talking about motorcycling. What does he regret?

- A riding his motorcycle too fast
- B doing a particular journey by motorcycle
- C buying a motorcycle

7 You overhear a student talking about her new college. How does she feel about the college?

- A She is finding some of the lessons difficult.
- B Some of her new classmates are unfriendly.
- C It is too far away from her home.

8 You overhear a driving instructor talking to a learner after the lesson has ended. What mistake did the learner make?

- A He ignored a road sign.
- B He was driving too fast.
- C He failed to look in the mirror.

FCE LISTENING PART 2

You will hear a student called Fiona Doyle talking about living in the countryside after growing up in a city. Complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.



Moving to the countryside

Fiona says the lack of _____ in the countryside created a contrast at night. Some rooms in the house can be rather _____ in winter.

At first, the _____ made it difficult for Fiona to sleep in the house. Fiona finds she tends to _____ later in the day than when she was in the city.

In the countryside, Fiona sees _____ from her bedroom window. Fiona sometimes finds the slowness of the _____ where she lives rather irritating. Out in the countryside,

She sometimes can't get _____ from friends. The nearest _____ is almost two kilometres away from where Fiona lives.

Fiona says you need to have a _____ in the country, but not in the city. Fiona won't have to travel as far to the _____ as she would from her old home.

FCE LISTENING PART 3

You will hear five short extracts in which people are talking about difficult situations they have been in. There are three extra letters which you do not need to use.

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| A I contacted the emergency services. | Speaker 1 |
| B I found it impossible to remain calm. | |
| C I did what I had been trained to do. | Speaker 2 |
| D I followed someone else's advice. | Speaker 3 |
| E I made a decision I later regretted. | |
| F I helped people reach safety. | Speaker 4 |
| G I was tempted to ignore what had happened. | Speaker 5 |
| H I had an argument with someone. | |

FCE LISTENING PART 4

You will hear an interview with travel writer Amy McCarthy about her first experience of travelling abroad. For questions 24-30, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

24. Why did Amy want to go abroad?

- A She wanted to find a job in another country.
- B Her friends had invited her to go with them.
- C She felt she was good at learning languages.

25. Amy and her friends decided to go to Ibiza because

- A it was cheaper than similar destinations.
- B there were lots of things to do there.
- C none of them had been there before.

26. When she was at the airport, Amy felt

- A glad she had taken sandwiches with her.
- B worried that she might miss her plane.
- C annoyed that she had spent so much.

27. Amy's friend Carla annoyed Amy because Carla

- A sometimes left dirty dishes in the living room.
- B often forgot her keys when she went out.
- C wouldn't do any food shopping.

28. Why didn't Amy phone her family?

- A She didn't have enough credit left on her phone.
- B She forgot that she had promised to call them.
- C She didn't want them to hear her sounding unhappy.

29. What did Amy regret doing?

- A booking three weeks at the apartment
- B taking the wrong items on holiday with her
- C agreeing to take it in turns to cook meals 30

30. What were Amy's feelings when she got home?

- A She never wanted to go on holiday with friends again.
- B The holiday had been a useful learning experience.
- C Next summer she would look for work abroad.

