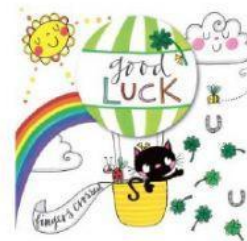


Listening Comprehension



1) Listen to an interview with a traveller and choose the correct answers.

- 1) How does the presenter describe Colin?
 - A. She says he's had a serious physical disability since birth.
 - B. She says he's confessed to problems with alcohol addiction.
 - C. She says he's shown more bravery than average travellers.
 - D. She says he's been held back by his disability.
- 2) How does Colin describe the place he is in when the presenter speaks to him?
 - A. He says it's not at all attractive.
 - B. He describes it in positive terms.
 - C. He says it has an unusual name.
 - D. He says it's situated near Alice Springs.
- 3) How does Colin describe his own personality?
 - A. He says that because of his limitations, he can lack confidence sometimes.
 - B. He says he's always felt that he should have a go at things despite what others say.
 - C. He says he's become more fearless as he's grown up and matured.
 - D. He says he now has a better understanding of what he can and can't do.
- 4) What does Colin say about the preparations he makes for his journeys?
 - A. He generally plans his holidays abroad with his mother and brothers.
 - B. He usually stays in hotels that are more accessible rather than in hostels.
 - C. He always has everything sorted out long before he sets off on a trip.
 - D. He never uses public transport, so has to organise his own vehicle in advance.
- 5) What does Colin say about next year's trip to Canada?
 - A. He will be travelling down the west coast.
 - B. He expects it will be cheaper than other people's holidays.
 - C. He'll book places to stay as he travels.
 - D. He won't be going on his own.

2) Listen again and complete the following sentences.

1. Today's guest on *Travel Online* is nineteen-year-old, self-confessed _____
_____ Colin Patterson.
2. We've stopped over in a pretty _____ place for tonight.
3. How have you _____ serious physical disability to become a traveller with a
_____ following on the internet?
4. Well, I guess I don't let my _____ me back.
5. Some young people who use a _____ can lack _____, and it's
only later in life that they realise they have just as much right as everyone else to take
on _____.