

LISTENING

1 3.3 You will listen to an interview with a woman called Naomi who teaches people how to be good storytellers. What things do you think Naomi will mention? Listen and check.

- A why people love listening to stories
- B why some people are good at storytelling
- C choosing a good story to tell
- D using notes while you tell your story
- E using your voice to make your story more interesting
- F how to stand or sit while you tell a story
- G how to end your story well

2 3.4 Listen again and choose the correct answers.

- 1 Naomi first became interested in storytelling.
 - A when she was at school.
 - B when she was at a festival.
 - C when she was travelling.
- 2 What is the main thing that makes someone a great storyteller?
 - A their natural ability
 - B plenty of practice
 - C good training
- 3 According to Naomi, you should always choose a story that
 - A you really like.
 - B has a good ending.
 - C is suitable for your audience.
- 4 When preparing to tell a story, Naomi says you should
 - A take out parts that your audience might find boring.
 - B change some details to make the story more modern.
 - C make a personal connection to the story.
- 5 What is the most important thing to do while you are telling a story?
 - A Use a range of different voices.
 - B Make eye contact with your listeners.
 - C Move your arms and hands a lot.
- 6 At the end of a story, Naomi says you should
 - A make it clear to people what the story means.
 - B encourage your listeners to guess the ending.
 - C allow people to understand the story in their own way.

3 3.5 Complete sentences 1–5 from the audio with the correct adjectives from the box. Listen and check.

complicated confused dull original wonderful

- 1 I heard this storyteller!
- 2 Is the ending exciting or enough?
- 3 Should I take out the parts, or make it more modern?
- 4 It's not You don't need to be an actor, and you certainly don't need to move your arms around madly.
- 5 You don't want to leave your audience feeling and guessing how the story ends.



4 Match the words from Ex 3 with their meanings.

- 1 with new and different ideas
- 2 very good
- 3 difficult to do or understand
- 4 boring
- 5 feeling that you don't understand something

someone, anyone, nothing, everything, etc.

5 Choose the correct words to complete the advert for a storytelling course.

Storytelling
made easy

¹Everyone / Everything enjoys a good story, so why not train to be a storyteller? ²No one / Anyone is a completely natural storyteller – we all have to learn. We've got great trainers here who can teach you ³everything / someone you need to know about the art and skill of storytelling. There isn't ⁴nothing / anything difficult on the course and we will give you full support. If you're interested, call the number below and ⁵someone / anyone will explain all the details of the course to you. So apply today – there's ⁶nothing / something to stop you becoming a great storyteller!

