

# LISTENING PRACTICE

## SKILLS FOR THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY WORKPLACE



### 1) Drag the phrases to the correct place to discover some information about the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

analyse information	communicate well	problem solving
good at making decisions	the 21st century	age of technology

We are living in <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_. Some people call it the <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_.

We need to learn skills such as <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ and we need to be able to <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ with other people around the world. Employers are looking for people who can <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ well, people who are able to recognise whether information is reliable or not. They also like people who are <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ without asking for help.

### 2) Listen to the audio.

### 3) Choose true or false.

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| 1. | 21st-century skills are not taught in schools in the UK.                       | True | False |
| 2. | Employers like workers to be imaginative.                                      | True | False |
| 3. | Employers want workers to think about possible problems.                       | True | False |
| 4. | Employers like workers to be original when solving problems.                   | True | False |
| 5. | Future workers will need to be able to write concisely.                        | True | False |
| 6. | People communicate with each other less in the 21st century.                   | True | False |
| 7. | Employers believe it is useful to know a lot of information about celebrities. | True | False |
| 8. | Employers don't want workers to make decisions without asking them.            | True | False |

### 4) Complete the ideas with the words from the box.

have	make	value	differentiate
develop	discuss	teach	solve

- UK schools and colleges \_\_\_\_\_ ICT skills.
- Employers \_\_\_\_\_ people with ideas for new approaches.
- Employers like workers who can \_\_\_\_\_ problems.
- Workers need to be able to \_\_\_\_\_ their work with their team.
- Workers need to \_\_\_\_\_ their writing skills.
- It is important that workers can \_\_\_\_\_ between truth and lies.
- Employees in the 21st century \_\_\_\_\_ more responsibility.
- Employers like their workers to \_\_\_\_\_ decisions.