PART 2

Listening



TRAINING

- LISTEN TO ONE OR TWO SPEAKERS TALKING ABOUT A TOPIC.
- ANSWER SIX MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS.

EXAM TIP

- IF YOU'RE NOT SURE OF THE ANSWER THE FIRST TIME YOU LISTEN, TRY TO CROSS OUT ANY OPTIONS YOU THINK ARE DEFINITELY WRONG. CONFIRM THE CORRECT ANSWER WHEN YOU LISTEN FOR THE SECOND TIME.

A. Listen to a young guitarist called Jhon talking about when he started playing the guitar. When did Jon begin to play the guitar? (T 22)

1. When he was a young boy.
2. While he was at secondary school.
3. After he'd started college.

B. Listen again. Cross out the wrong time word or phrase in each sentence. (T 22)
Example: Jon had always been keen on music, even ***~~after~~ / before*** he started school.

1. Jon used to dance around the room ***as soon as/ whenever*** music was playing.
2. ***As soon as/ Before*** Jon started school, he had some music lessons.
3. Jon played the piano ***first of all/ immediately.***
4. ***Later / Finally*** Jon met a good music teacher.
5. Jon knew ***immediately / first of all*** that the guitar was the right instrument for him.
6. ***It was when / It wasn't until*** Jon got to college that he realised how much he'd learned.

C. Listen to a girl called Holly talking about joining her school football team. Why did she enjoy her extra practice for the team? (T 23)

1. The atmosphere was better than her usual classes.
2. She liked attending early in the morning.
3. A lot of her friends went too.

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EXAM PRACTICE

EXAM TIP

- THE QUESTIONS COME IN ORDER OF THE TEXT. READ EACH ONE CAREFULLY BEFORE YOU LISTEN SO THAT YOU DON'T LOSE YOUR PLACE WHILE YOU'RE LISTENING.

D. You will hear an interview with a teenager called Amy Manero, who is talking about her interest in music, particularly in jazz piano. For each question, choose the correct answer A, B or C. (T 25)

1. When did Amy have lessons with a piano teacher?		
a. At the age of four.	b. Before she started secondary school.	c. After getting advice from her school music teacher.
2. How did Amy feel at her first big public event?		
a. Excited because she was wearing a wonderful costume.	b. Nervous because it was her first time on stage.	c. Surprised because the audience was very big.
3. What does Amy say about playing jazz with the school band?		
a. She was better at it than the rest of the players.	b. She put lots of effort into learning about it.	c. She enjoyed it as soon as she started.
4. Amy gives piano lessons so that she can		
a. Help people who couldn't normally afford them.	b. Encourage lots of younger people to play the piano.	c. Improve her own playing technique.
5. Why does Amy write a blog on the internet?		
a. To get some experience for becoming a journalist.	b. To tell people about her daily life as a musician.	c. To recommend events for people to go to.
6. Why does Amy love music so much?		
a. People can understand it whatever their language.	b. She meets people she likes through playing it.	c. It brings together people of different ages.

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E. You will hear a radio interview with a man called Robin Marshall, who has written a book about Argentina. For each question, choose the correct answer A, B or C. (T 26)

1. What was Robin's job in Argentina?		
a. Translator.	b. Tour guide.	c. Travelling salesman.
2. On Robin's last trip to Argentina, the weather was		
a. Colder than he expected.	b. Suitable for what he planned.	c. Different from the forecasts he heard.
3. What did Robin buy from the market he visited?		
a. A picture.	b. A chair.	c. A record.
4. How did Robin feel during the dance performance he saw?		
a. He wanted to get up and dance.	b. He wished he had continued his dance classes.	c. He was sad he didn't dance well.
5. What did Robin do while he stayed in the village?		
a. He went on a bus tour.	b. He went into the forest.	c. He went on a river trip.
6. What did Robin like about his favourite place?		
a. The wildlife.	b. The views.	c. The peace.

F. You will hear an interview with a man called Harry Park, who is talking about the adventure travel company he runs. For each question, choose the correct answer A, B or C. (T 27)

1. Harry first became interested in adventure travel because his father		
a. Gave him adventure stories to read.	b. Worked in a travel company.	c. Talked a lot about the places he'd been to.
2. Harry decided to start an adventure travel company because he		
a. Wanted to share his experiences with others.	b. Thought he could make a lot of money.	c. Hoped to do more travelling himself.
3. Who suggested the name for Harry's company?		
a. A friend.	b. A customer.	c. His wife.
4. When Harry visits a place, he tries to		
a. Give the local people jobs.	b. Take modern equipment.	c. Avoid damaging the area.
5. What does Harry say about doing dangerous things?		
a. It's part of his job.	b. It's frightening.	c. It's enjoyable.
6. What is Harry's favourite place?		
a. A mountain.	b. A building.	c. A river.

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G. You will hear an interview with a singer called Nick Parker who plays in a band called Krispy with his sister Mel. For each question, choose the correct answer A, B or C. (T 28)

1. When Nick and Mel were younger

a. They studied music at school.	b. Their father took them to live concerts.	c. Their mother encouraged them to play music.

2. When nick and Mel started writing music younger, they

a. Disagreed about the style they should have.	b. Didn't want to be the same as other bands.	c. Were influenced by different kinds of music.

3. The band Krispy was started after

a. Nick began studying at music school.	b. Two other musicians heard Nick and Mel playing.	c. Nick and Mel advertised for the band members.

4. In the band's first year together

a. Concert audiences liked their music.	b. They signed a recording contract.	c. Their national tour was very successful.

5. What does Nick say about life in the band today?

a. The older members look after him and Mel.	b. He's pleased to have the chance to travel.	c. There's no opportunity for them to relax together.

6. What disappointment has the band had?

a. They haven't yet had a number one single.	b. Their first album sold under a million copies.	c. A health problem delayed their album recording.

H. You will hear part of a radio programme about classical music. For each question, make a circle in the correct answer. (T 29)

1. This week's prize is

a. A music cassette.	b. Two concert tickets.	c. A classical CD.

2. The person who wrote the music lived in

a. Italy.	b. Spain.	c. France.

3. What else shares the title of this music?

a. A garden.	b. A play.	c. A park.

4. What did people do when they first heard the music?

a. Some left before the end.	b. Only a few clapped.	c. Some asked for their money back.

5. This piece of music has been

a. Played in the cinema.	b. Used for advertising.	c. Used for a TV play.

6. If you know the competition answer you should ring

a. 0108 937 224	b. 0018 739 242	c. 0018 937 224

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I. You will hear an interview with a teenager called Simon about going on an indoor climbing centre that has a climbing wall. For each question, make a circle in the correct answer. (T 30)

1. Simon's mum decided to take him to the climbing centre because

a. She had enjoyed going there.	b. Her friend had recommended it.	c. Simon had been there with his school.

2. Before he went to the centre, Simon was

a. Worried about going climbing there.	b. Interested in seeing the climbing wall.	c. Disappointed to hear it was all indoors.

3. Simon says that at the centre there were

a. Lots of people when it opened.	b. Many different types of people.	c. No other people of his age.

4. What did Simon think about the climbing wall?

a. He thought it looked very high.	b. He was afraid he might fall.	c. He found the foot holes helpful.

5. Why was Simon unhappy with his first climb?

a. He was slower than everyone else.	b. He found it hurt his arms.	c. He didn't get to the top.

6. What does Simon feel he learnt from climbing at the centre?

a. How to improve his fitness.	b. To think before he does something.	c. The best way to work with other people.

J. You will hear a recorded message about an arts festival for each question, make a circle in the correct answer. (T 31)

1. The festival takes place from

a. 12 to 18 May.	b. 12 to 20 May.	c. 12 to 28 May.

2. What is on at the Theatre Royal on 19 May?

a. Jazz.	b. Opera.	c. Classical music.

3. During lunchtime jazz concerts at the corn exchange they sell

a. Soft drinks and sandwiches.	b. Wine and sandwiches.	c. Soft drinks and light meals.

4. What is on the cathedral?

a. Music.	b. Poetry.	c. Films.

5. What does the festival programme offer at Ickworth?

a. A walk and a book reading.	b. A concert and a meal.	c. A walk and a concert.

6. You can't use a credit card if you book

a. By post.	b. By fax.	c. By telephone.

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