

LISTENING

Part 1: You will hear part of an interview with a boy called Simon who is helping to protect the environment. For each question, choose the correct answer A, B or C (10 points)

1. Simon enjoys taking his boat onto the River Stanton because.....

- A. he knows many people who go there
- B. the speed of the water makes it exciting
- C. it is the closest river to his hometown

2. Simon noticed that the river water.....

- A. was getting lower and lower
- B. was too dark to let him see the bottom
- C. was having a negative effect on him

3. Why did Simon do a special course?

- A. to join an organisation that protect the river
- B. to learn about the geography of the river
- C. to be able to check the water quality of the river

4. Simon is pleased because....

- A. the company causing the problem closed
- B. he found the way to reduce the problem
- C. he discovered new plants that live in the river

5. Why did Simon enter the science competition?

- A. to try to involve more people in helping the environment
- B. to win money to help protect the river
- C. to get a good grade for his school project

Part 2: You will hear part of a lecture given by an economist about North American women's attitudes to money and savings . For questions 1- 10, complete the sentences with NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS or A NUMBER. (10 points)

- a. According to George Berman Shaw, men are supposed to understand (1), economics and finance
- b. However, women are more prepared to (2)about them
- c. Women tend to save for (3)and a house
- d. Men tend to save for (4)and for retirement
- e. Women who are left alone may have to pay for (5)when they are old
- f. Research indicates that many women only think about their financial future when a (6)occurs
- g. It's best for women to start thinking about pensions when they are in their (7)
- h. A good way for women to develop their (8)in dealing with financial affairs would be to attend classes in (9)
- i. When investing in stocks and shares, it is suggested that women should put a high proportion of their savings in (10) In such ways, women can have a comfortable, independent retirement