

Listening Ex. > Mr. and Mrs. Clark and Percy



A. Listen to the description of one of David Hockney's famous paintings. For each question, choose the correct answer (a-d).



1. When was the painting done?
a. 1941 b. 1951 c. 1961 d. 1971
2. What may make this work special?
a. its technique c. its history
b. its symbolism d. the characters on it
3. This painting is loosely based on another work done in ____ by Jan Van Eyck.
a. the 13th century b. the 15th century c. the 17th century d. the 19th century
4. Who was the dominant part in the relationship?
a. Both b. Mr. Clark c. Mrs. Clark d. None
5. Which element in the painting represents adultery?
a. the animal b. the woman c. the flowers d. the man
6. How long did Mr. and Mrs. Clark's marriage last?
a. less than a year b. nearly 3 years c. nearly 5 years d. more than 6 years
7. How did Mr. Clark die?
a. A former mistress killed him. c. He got an overdose due to his addiction.
b. He committed suicide. d. Mrs. Clark took his life.

B. Listen again. Fill in the missing information USING NO MORE THAN FOUR (4) WORDS ON EACH LINE.

8. The painting can be labeled as a fairly _____ portrait.
9. Beyond the balcony a green garden _____ can be seen.
10. Recently this work was chosen as one of _____ favorites.
11. The link between the couple and the artist himself is that he was their _____.
12. Mr. Clark had _____ and during his marriage.
13. It seems that the painting could have been done during _____.
14. After Mr. Clark's death, his ex-wife continued working as _____ for David Hockney.



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