

1 You will hear an excerpt from a radio programme about **a woman who has achieved something remarkable at the age of 84**. Listen and answer questions **a-d** writing **the correct numbers**.

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| a How old was Mrs Schofield when she left school? | c How many lessons does she have a week? |
| b How long has she been studying at college? | d How many times had she travelled abroad before she started the course? |
- years**

2 Listen again and for questions **1-7** choose the best answer, **A, B** or **C**.

- 1 What did Mrs Schofield learn at school?
A She learnt to read but not to write. B She learnt to make a certain article of clothing.
C She learnt nothing.
- 2 What problems did Mrs Schofield have when she was shopping?
A She could only buy cornflakes. B She couldn't read the labels on packages.
C She only bought things with pictures on them.
- 3 What impressed her about what the man in the shop said?
A He achieved success through his own efforts. B He had been poor but he became rich.
C He came to her village and stayed there.
- 4 What was the experience of going to college like for her?
A She didn't like the amount of homework she was given. B She lacked motivation.
C It was one of the hardest things she's ever done.
- 5 Mrs Schofield's plan was to write to
A her relations in a number of different countries. B one relation in the USA.
C relations with whom she was still in contact.
- 6 How was she able to find out about local news?
A She used to ask her neighbours. B She had the local paper read to her by somebody else.
C She used to try to read the local paper.
- 7 What does she want to do now?
A She wants to gain the confidence to do anything. B She wants to go on a long journey.
C She wants to carry on learning.

2 You will hear two friends, Jim and Alice, discussing their families. For questions **1-6**, choose the answer **A, B, C, or D** which fits best according to what you hear.

1. Who is Jim closest to?
A his brother B his sister C his mother D his father
2. Who did Alice hear from for the first time?
A an uncle B an aunt C a niece D a cousin
3. Why was Alice surprised?
A Because Frances contacted her. C Because she and Frances get on so well.
B Because Frances had changed a lot. D Because she and Frances look so similar.

4. What does Jim admire about his grandfather?
A his fitness B his positive outlook C his memory D his sense of humour
5. What caused Alice's grandfather to fall out with his family as a young man?
A his career choice B his appearance C his lifestyle D his outlook
6. What does Alice say she has learned from her grandfather's life story?
A You need to be true to yourself C You must be determined if you want to succeed.
B You shouldn't always accept advice. D You have to use your talents to great effect.