



Listening practice - Below, you'll find two tasks on listening.

Task 1: Paper 3 - Part 1

ADVANCED LISTENING

PART 1



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Travel

Exam task

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Track 3 You will hear three different extracts. For questions 1–6, choose the answer (A, B or C) which fits best according to what you hear. There are two questions for each extract.

Extract One

You hear two students talking about spending a gap year in Australia before going to university.

1. The girl thinks most British teenagers she met chose Australia because of
 - A the variety of things to do and see there.
 - B the lack of difficulties presented by the language.
 - C the opportunities to visit Southeast Asia on the way.
2. What was the biggest issue the boy faced during his time in Australia?
 - A finding affordable accommodation
 - B having to do very long bus journeys
 - C getting suitable work to cover his costs

Extract Two

You hear two friends discussing the purpose of travelling.

3. What does the man consider important when he travels?
 - A seeing as much as possible of a new place
 - B avoiding the routes taken by other travellers
 - C making friends with people from the country he is in
4. Why does the woman mention getting lost?
 - A to suggest that a difficulty can bring benefits
 - B to illustrate a risk of travelling in unfamiliar places
 - C to explain why people react to situations differently

Extract Three

You hear two colleagues talking about a trip to a conference.

5. When discussing the talks they will give, they both
 - A plan to improve the presentation of the material for the talk.
 - B hope to get some feedback before giving the talk.
 - C feel a need to do some more practice of their talk.
6. What does the woman say about the trip?
 - A She is worried about what she needs to pack.
 - B She is satisfied with the travel arrangements.
 - C She is looking forward to being in a different environment.



Task 2: Paper 3 - Part 2

Exam task

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Track 4 You will hear a woman called Camilla Doyle introducing a science fair. For questions 1–8, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

Science fairs

Camilla admits that she has seen rather a lot of (1) at previous science fairs.

Camilla was amazed that one scientist, David Nelson, tried to construct a mini nuclear fusion reactor in his (2)

The scientists who created a diesel hybrid racing car are working on redeveloping its (3)

Camilla claims that there may be many possible uses in industry for Joe Higson's machine that can detect certain (4)

Camilla thinks there will be developments in new (5) that helps spacecraft avoid hitting objects in their path.

A group of students produced a (6) that recorded accurate measurements of weather events.

Many journalists have shown an interest in a special type of underwater vehicle that may be used to study the (7)

While talking to scientists with exhibits at the science fair, Camilla was most impressed by their (8)