

Listening!

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I = Interviewer, A = Andrew

- I Hi, Andrew. Thank you for being here today. What's an important day of the year for you?
- A Well ... that's easy. It's Hogmanay – the 31st of December, the last day of the year. It's called New Year's Eve in other parts of the UK. Here in Scotland it's very important.
- I And what do you do?
- A A lot of different things really. We usually start early. We invite friends and family to our home and we all have a big meal at around 7 p.m. After that, we play music and dance – old Scottish dances. They're often very fast!
- I And what do you wear? Special clothes?
- A Oh no, no. We don't wear special costumes or anything. Not at my house!
- I OK.
- A Later, at 12 a.m., we sing an old song. It's called 'Auld Lang Syne'. Then we go out into the streets and watch the fireworks. There are always a lot of those!
- I Do you go to bed after that?
- A Oh no ... I visit my friend Dan, and his family. I usually give him one or two small presents – perhaps money or food. It's a special thing we do here in Scotland – it's called 'first footing'.
- I Oh ... that's interesting.
- A Then I go to bed at about two in the morning. And I get up very late the next day!

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A very important day for Andrew is 31st December.

- 1 Andrew has a meal at 8 p.m.
- 2 The dances are usually slow.
- 3 Andrew watches the fireworks in the street.
- 4 There are a lot of fireworks.
- 5 Andrew visits his brother's house.
- 6 Andrew goes to bed at 2 a.m.

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