

LISTENING EXAM 1. MAY 2020

Activity 1

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Activity 2

1. E
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SCRIPTS

Listening Exam 1 – Listening Script

PART 1 1.1

AUDIO PROFILE 0, EXAMPLE

Hi, I'm Dean from Huddersfield. I'm 45 and looking for anything from friendship to the woman of my dreams. I'm an engineer, divorced, and a big football fan. I'm looking for someone of a similar age living in Huddersfield.

AUDIO PROFILE 1

Are you looking for a beautiful, lively young professional in her thirties? Well, you're looking for me, Stella. I'm 36, living in East Anglia, and working in property management. I'm looking for a fun guy, nothing over 44, please! You should be super sporty, and take good care of yourself.

AUDIO PROFILE 2

I'm Fred. I'm a retired widower in my early sixties. I have three grown-up children, who all live away from home. I'm looking for a lady companion to spend time with. If you love to dance, you'll be perfect for me. My passion is ballroom dancing. So, let's dance the night away together.

AUDIO PROFILE 3

Sheila. I've just divorced my husband after 30 years of marriage, and I'm looking for a good time, at last! Mr Right for me has to be romantic, caring, and have a good job. I love travelling, and I'm actually living in a camper van at the moment. You can be from any part of the UK. I can come to you!

AUDIO PROFILE 4

Hi. I'm Ed, a car mechanic from Norfolk. I'm 24. I love rugby and home cooking ... um, not my own though! I am looking for a mature woman in her thirties or forties. I would like a stable, loving relationship.

AUDIO PROFILE 5

Lucile White. How can I describe myself? Well, I work hard, I'm a doctor at St Barts, London. In my spare time I love reading, the cinema, theatre, and occasional trips to the countryside. I guess I'm looking for a soulmate with similar interests, preferably not a doctor, and no lawyers please! Sorry lawyers.

PART 2 1.2

NEWS ITEM 0, EXAMPLE

The Government is to announce plans to raise the age of retirement later this morning. This is in line with similar initiatives proposed in other EU countries. The retirement age for men is expected to be raised to 66, with the retirement age for women being raised later this year.

NEWS ITEM 1

Heavy rain is still causing problems in much of central Europe. Hundreds of people have abandoned or lost their homes due to widespread flooding. Areas of Poland and Germany have been affected especially badly. The heavy rain is forecast to continue for the rest of this week.

NEWS ITEM 2

The former boyfriend of the missing Lancashire woman, Jodie Barker, has been charged in connection with her disappearance. Barker was first reported missing last May. The relationship between Barker and her former partner has been described as 'turbulent'.

NEWS ITEM 3

The Office of National Statistics has warned that we may be heading for a shortage of primary school places in England and Scotland. The number of primary school-aged students will rise by eight percent over the next four years. With the Government's new plans to cut funding, schools may not be able to cope.

NEWS ITEM 4

Hospitals in the north-west are to carry out a survey to measure patients' satisfaction with their services and treatments. This follows a recent increase in complaints about the National Health Service in the region.

NEWS ITEM 5

England's 3–0 win against Germany today takes them through to the next round of the World Cup. The England captain has given a statement, saying that he is confident that the team will go all the way. England will play Spain in the quarter-finals next Saturday.

