Listening Scripts



FILE 1

Listening 1

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Ana	Hello. Is this reception?
Receptionist	Yes, it is. Are you a new student?
Ana	Yes, I am.
Receptionist	OK. Please sit down. Can I ask you a few questions?
Ana	Sure.
Receptionist	OK. Erm What's your first name?
Ana	Ana. That's A-N-A.
Receptionist	Right. OK. And what's your surname?
Ana	My family name?
Receptionist	Yes.
Ana	OK. It's Carvalho.
Receptionist	Carvalho? Erm, how do you spell that?
Ana	C-A-R-V-A-L-H-O.
Receptionist	C-A-R-V-A-L-H-O. Great. Thanks. Where are you
	from, Ana?
Ana	I'm from Portugal. From Lisbon.
Receptionist	And how old are you?
Ana	I'm 19.
Receptionist	19. OK. What's your address in Lisbon?
Ana	It's Rua da Palho 34.
Receptionist	OK. And what's your phone number?
Ana	In Lisbon?
Receptionist	Yes.
Ana	Er It's 01-342-16-double 5.
Receptionist	01-342-16-double 5?
Ana	Yes. That's right.
Receptionist	OK. Good. Thanks Ana. That's everything. It's nice
	to meet you. Come this way. I'll show you the
	canteen

FILE 1

Listening 2

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Sarah	Hi Paul.
Paul	Hi Sarah. How are you?
Sarah	Fine.
Paul	Er Sarah. This is Tom.
Sarah	Hi Tom. Nice to meet you.
Tom	Nice to meet you, Sarah.

2

Tom	Are you a new student?
Sarah	Yes, I am. I'm Sarah Loos.
Tom	Loos? How do you spell that?
Sarah	L-double O-S.
Tom	Oh right.

3

TomIs Sarah Scottish?PaulNo, she isn't. She's Irish, from Dublin.TomOh, really. I love Ireland.

4

Tom	What's your email address, Sarah?
Sarah	My email address? OK. It's, er, spl22@hotmail.com
Tom	S-P-L-22?
Sarah	Yes. That's right. Write me an email!
Tom	OK

Tom	Bye Sarah.
Sarah	Bye Tom.
Tom	See you tomorrow.
Sarah	Tomorrow? But tomorrow's Saturday, not Friday. We're
	not at school.
Tom	I know. But I'll see you at Paul's party tomorrow night.
Sarah	Oh OK. See you tomorrow, Tom.



Listening 1

Mark This is a photo of my family. We're at my sister's birthday party. Look. That's me. And that's my sister Jill. She's 30 and she's a teacher. And that's Jill's husband, Michael. He's 28 and a journalist on a national newspaper. I think that's Michael's brother, Joe. Joe's at university in America. My mum and dad, Barbara and Jack, are on the sofa. My mum is a nurse in a hospital in Manchester, and my dad is an engineer. He works for a French company. Oh, and that's Sue. She's my younger sister. She's 23. She doesn't live in England. She lives in Spain, but funnily enough her boyfriend is Portuguese.

FILE 2

Listening 2

1

I like everything really. I love pop and rock and I go to a lot of concerts. My favourite bands are U2 and REM, and my favourite singer is Avril Lavigne. I listen to CDs and I watch pop programmes on TV all the time ...

2

Oh, pizza and pasta, and curries. My brother makes fantastic curries, and I love them. I don't cook very much. I'm not very good. But I love going to restaurants. I don't like fish and chips or burgers. I prefer Indian or Chinese food.

3

I'm, well, I'm an engineer, and I work for a multinational company in Europe and Asia. It's a very interesting job and I travel all over the world. I love it. I meet a lot of different people in my job ...

4

Well, I have both a house and a flat. My house is in Spain so I only go there for holidays. The flat is in the centre of London near a cinema and a lot of restaurants; I love it so I spend more time in London in my flat.

5

I watch football and rugby on TV, and I go to golf classes, but the sport I really like to play is tennis. I think it's fantastic, and it's very good for your health.

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FILE 3

Listening 1

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Interviewer	Hello. Can I ask you a few questions?
Mr Smith	Er Yes. What's it about?
Interviewer	It's about London lifestyles. Are you stressed and
	always in a hurry?
Mr Smith	Yes, I am. I'm a typical Londoner. And I'm in a hurry
	now. What are your questions?
Interviewer	OK. Well, question 1. What time do you go to work
	in the morning?
Mr Smith	Well, I usually get up at six o'clock and I leave home
	to go to work half an hour later at 6.30.
Interviewer	OK. What time do you get to work?
Mr Smith	I go by train. That takes an hour. Then I walk from
	the station to my office. I arrive at about eight
	o'clock.
Interviewer	Do you have time for lunch?
Mr Smith	No, not really. I have a sandwich and I don't leave the
	office.
Interviewer	What time do you finish work?
Mr Smith	I usually finish at six o'clock, but, when we're busy,
	I sometimes finish at 7.30.
Interviewer	One last question. What do you do in the evening?
Mr Smith	Oh, I'm really tired in the evening. I don't go out. I
	stay in and watch TV. I usually cook dinner in the
	microwave. And I go to bed early. Anyway, I must go.
	I'm late for work. Bye!
Interviewer	Bye! Thank you very much.

FILE 3

Listening 2

1

Meg	Good morning, Dan.
Dan	Good morning.
Meg	What would you like for breakfast? A cup of tea?
Dan	Er no, coffee and toast, please.
Meg	No problem. Here you are.
Dan	Thanks. How much is that?
2	

- Tim What do you usually do when you get home from work, Sue?
- Sue Me? I have a shower then I watch TV for an hour or two then I go to bed. I never go out. It's not very exciting I'm afraid.

3

JamieHow often do you go to the gym, Karen?KarenAh, good question. I'm a member of a gym, but, well, I
don't go very often. To be honest, I probably go about
once every two weeks. So, about twice a month. Mmm.
Not very good, is it?

Fiona	Your birthday's in July, isn't it, Jason?
Jason	No, no. June. On the thirteenth of June.
Fiona	So, it's tomorrow!
Jason	No! Not the thirtieth. It's on the thirteenth.
Fiona	Oh, sorry!
5	

Barry	What time do you get up on Saturday morning, Polly?	
Polly	Ooh, very late usually. During the week I always get up at	
	about eight. I only get up at nine on a Saturday when	
	there is football practice, so I usually stay in bed until ten.	
	What about you?	
Barry	I usually get up at eight.	

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FILE 4

Listening 1

Interviewer	Please sit down, Sally.
Sally	Thanks.
Interviewer	So, you want to be an English teacher at our summer school. It's a difficult job, you know. We have a lot of Brazilian and Argentinian teenagers here. Can you speak French or Spanish?
Sally	Well, I can speak French very well, but I can only speak a few words in Spanish.
Interviewer	OK. What about sports? What sports can you do?
Sally Interviewer Sally	Er Well, I can play football and basketball but not very well, to be honest. My favourite sport is tennis. I'm very good and I love it, and I can teach young people how to play it. And I can dance, too. I know it's not really a sport, but I can do it quite well. That's great. What else can you do? Well, I study Art, so I can draw and paint. It's something I love. I'm good at drawing; it's
	something I do very well. But I'm not so good at painting. I can do it quite well, though.
Interviewer	OK. Good. Can you drive?
Sally	Yes, I can but I'm a new driver, so not very well. I'm very good at computers though. I have a computer at home and I can do anything with it.
Interviewer	Great. Thanks very much, Sally. We'd like to offer you a job. When can you start?

FILE 4

Listening 2

1

Paul Mary	Do you like shopping? Yes, of course I do. I love shopping with my friends. Every weekend we go and try on lots of clothes in all the shops, but we don't usually buy much.
2	
Tina Ben	Do you like shopping, Ben? Er It depends, really. I like shopping for CDs and computer games and things like that, but I don't like walking round busy shops on Saturday afternoons.
3	
Grant Sue	So, do you like shopping or do you hate it? Well, I don't hate it. I don't like shopping when I'm tired or in a hurry, but, when I have time, I like going to big shopping centres and getting myself new shoes. I love shoes.
4	
Jo Tom	Do you like shopping, Tom? Yes, it's fun. Especially when I want to buy something special, like a new book or a new CD. I like going to small shops and looking at everything. But I don't like shopping with other people. I never go with friends. I always go shopping by myself.

5

Sam Do you like shopping, Carla?

Carla Me? Not really, no. And I really hate shopping for clothes. I can never find clothes I like, so I usually buy the first thing I see. In fact, nowadays, I buy clothes on the Internet. I prefer that to going to shops.



Listening 1

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Inspector	Please sit down, Mrs Plum. As you know, I am here to ask questions about the murder of the hotel manager, Mr Green. He died in the dining room at eight o'clock last night. Were you in the hotel at that time?
Mrs Plum	Yes, I was. I arrived at seven o'clock, so I was in the
	hotel then, yes.
Inspector	And where were you at the time of the murder?
Mrs Plum	I wasn't in the dining room, Inspector. I was in the
	library. I never went into the dining room.
Inspector	Really? So, what did you do that evening?
Mrs Plum	Well, I read a newspaper in the library. I didn't read
	any books. My husband phoned me and I wrote a
	letter to my friend.
Inspector	And when did you go to your room?
Mrs Plum	Oh, at ten o'clock, I think. No, at 10.30. Yes, it was at
111011411	10.30. I didn't watch TV or listen to music. I just drank
	a glass of water, then I went to bed.
Inspector	Thank you. And what time did you wake up?
	, , ,
Mrs Plum	Oh, what time is it now? It's nine. So, an hour ago,
	eight, I think. Yes, eight o'clock. I had a shower then I
	came down here. I wasn't hungry so I didn't have
	breakfast.
Inspector	OK. Thank you very much, Mrs Plum.

FILE 5

Listening 2

1

Tony Louise	Where were your parents born, Louise? My parents? Well, my dad was born in Australia, and my mum was born in Ireland, but I was born in London so I'm English. Actually, my mum's parents are both Scottish, but she's Irish. Er, I know. It's a crazy family!
2	
May Nick	Where did you go for your holidays last winter? We went to Morocco. My girlfriend wanted us to go to Jamaica, but the flight was too expensive. Anyway we had a great time.
3	
Paula Damion	Were you born in America, Damion? No, I wasn't. I was born in Jamaica and lived there until I was nineteen. Then I moved here. I'm glad that I did, though. I love New York.
4	
Danny Jenny	Did you go out on Saturday night, Jenny? Yes, we did. We went to a fantastic salsa club in the city centre.
Danny	Oh, right. I know it. Was it called <i>Argentina</i> ? I went there last month.
Jenny	No, Danny! It wasn't that one. It was a new place called <i>Cuba</i> . It was really good.
5	
Ruth Simon Ruth	What did you do last weekend, Simon? I took the train to France to see my parents. Really? Was it a long journey?
Simon	No. not really. I live near the station in London and my

parents live in Paris. It took about three hours.



Listening 1

LISTCHING	
Estate agent	Good morning, Country Houses. Can I help you?
Customer	Hello. I'm calling about the three-bedroom house.
	It's advertised in your shop window.
Estate agent	Oh, right. The one in Highland Street?
Customer	No, not that one. That one only has two bedrooms.
	It's the one with three bedrooms in Hallmark Street
	that I'm interested in.
Estate agent	OK.
Customer	Where is it exactly?
Estate agent	It's fourteen miles from Cambridge on the main
U	road.
Customer	Forty miles?
Estate agent	No, fourteen. It's not too far from the city. It has a big
	garden at the front and a small one at the back.
Customer	Hmm, that sounds good. How old is the house?
Estate agent	Oh, it's about eighty years old.
Customer	OK. Can I see it? Do you do viewings?
Estate agent	Of course, you can see it. We do viewings every day.
	Mmm How about Tuesday morning?
Customer	Er Sorry, I'm busy then. How about Thursday
	morning or Thursday afternoon?
Estate agent	Thursday morning is good for me, sir. At quarter to
	ten?
Customer	Yes, that's fine. Shall I come to your office?
Estate agent	Well, we can meet at the house if you want.
Customer	OK. That's better. I'll see you at quarter to ten on
	Thursday.
Estate agent	See you then, sir. Bye.

FILE 6

Listening 2

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Woman Man Woman	Excuse me. Where are the toilets? Oh, upstairs on the right. Thank you very much.
2	
Josh Jane	Do you live in a house or a flat, Jane? I live in a two-bedroom flat – on the third floor. And it's very noisy. My neighbours are always playing loud music. I want to move.
3	
Penny Andy Penny Andy Penny Andy Penny Andy	Hello. Hi Penny. Hi Andy. Are you doing your homework? No, not yet. What are you doing? Nothing much. Listening to music. How about you? Nothing. My parents are watching TV. Do you want to go out?
4	
Yvonne Gary	Do you believe in ghosts, Gary? Yes, I do. I saw one once. It was in an old hotel in Scotland. I got up in the middle of the night and the ghost was behind the sofa in my bedroom. It was white with big yellow eyes. I was really frightened!
5	
Gloria Gordon	How many bathrooms are there in your house, Gordon? Oh, well, it's a big house. Er, there's one bathroom downstairs and two more upstairs on the first floor, so that's three. Oh, and there's also the bathroom in my father's study on the ground floor. How many is that?
Gloria	Wow, Gordon. You have a big house!



Listening 1

PresenterHello and welcome back to Changing Holidays, live
from London, the TV show where we ask couples to
change holidays. On last week's show we met Tim and
Katy from Manchester, and we sent them ... to Iceland.
So, guys, how was the holiday? Did you have a good
time? Katy?

Katy Er ... well, I did. I thought Iceland was really beautiful and romantic. And it was sunny every day with bright blue skies. It was quiet though, and I like more exciting places.

Presenter What about you, Tim?

Tim Well, the country was interesting, especially Reykjavik, the capital, but it wasn't cheap. It was very expensive. I didn't enjoy the holiday – all that camping and walking. It was cold and I like hot countries. I like sitting on the beach and sunbathing.

- Katy Mmm. Well, I'm different from Tim. I like visiting new places, and Iceland was somewhere different. We usually go to Italy.
- **Presenter** OK. So, next year, where are you going to go for your holidays?
- Katy Well, I don't want to sit on the beach all day like we always do, but not Iceland, maybe somewhere like Iceland somewhere with interesting sights.
- Tim Mmm. Not for me. I get bored with mountains and sightseeing. I'm going to find a great beach and do nothing.

FILE 7

Listening 2

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1	
Waiter	Hello, madam. Do you have a reservation?
Mrs Gray	Yes, I do. It's in non-smoking. My name's Wendy Gray.
Waiter	OK. Is it a table for one?
Mrs Gray	No, for two. My husband is a bit late.
Waiter	OK. Come this way, please
2	
Mr Gray	Mmm. This is delicious. What is it?
Mrs Gray	It's their soup of the day. It's easy to make. You only
M	need tomatoes and cream. Some pepper, perhaps.
Mr Gray	But I can taste onions.
Mrs Gray	I don't think so. There aren't any onions in it.
3	
Mrs Gray	How is your meal?
Mr Gray	Well, it's OK. To be honest, there are a lot of chips and
	there isn't much meat. But it tastes nice.
4	
Waiter	Would you like more wine, sir?
Mr Gray	Yes, please.
Mrs Gray	But darling, you drank a glass of wine with your starter.
	Remember you're driving tonight.
Mr Gray	Oh, OK. You're right. No wine for me. Some mineral
	water, please.
5	
Mr Gray	What are you going to have for dessert, darling?
Mrs Grav	Oh. I don't know The ice cream. I think No. actually. I

Mr GrayWhat are you going to have for dessert, darling?Mrs GrayOh, I don't know. The ice cream, I think. No, actually, I
don't want a dessert. I'm not hungry. But I'm thirsty. Is
there any water?



Listening 1

LISTCHING	1
Presenter	Adventurous sports are becoming more and more
	popular around the world. In the studio today we have
	psychologist Doctor Martin Short. Martin, what sort
	of people do adventurous sports?
Dr Short	Well, it depends on the sport. Some sports are very
DI UNUT	expensive. Sailing, for example. You need a lot of time
	and money to go sailing so it's a sport that older
	people enjoy. That's also why it's so popular with the
	rich and famous.
Presenter	What about skiing? That's expensive, too.
Dr Short	Yes, it is. And it's a rich man's sport in many ways. It's
	also good for you – all that mountain air – so healthy
	people like skiing. I think it's a sport for friendly,
	sociable people who like meeting people. In contrast,
	snowboarding is a sport for younger people. It's all
	about looking good. Surfing is the same. It's also
	popular with people who like to win and be first.
Presenter	What about more dangerous sports like parachuting?
Dr Short	Well, parachuting is different. The sort of people who
	like this sport like doing something new and exciting.

like this sport like doing something new and exciting. And then, of course, there are bungee jumpers. What can I say? They are often more aggressive than normal people.

FILE 8

Listening 2

1

Amy Ian Amy Ian	OK, Ian, here's a question. What? Which city in the world would you like to live in? Oh, er Well, not London! Erm I'd love to live in Cape Town or Vancouver. But I wouldn't like to live in New York. It's so big.
2 Sheila	Would you like to live in Australia, Shane?

Sheila	Would you like to live in Australia, Shane?
Shane	No, not really.
Sheila	Why not?
Shane	Well, they work hard and they live well, but they talk
	loudly and play football very badly. No, not for me.
3	
Woman	Can I have the bill, please?
Man	Yes, of course. How would you like to pay? We accept
	cash or cheques.
Woman	Oh, do you take American Express or credit cards?
Man	Er No, I'm sorry, we don't.
Woman	Oh dear. That's a bit of a problem, you see, because
4	

Jack	In your opinion, Sally, what are the two most
	frightening films of all time?
Sally	Oh, er
Jack	Is one of them <i>Day of the Dead</i> ?
Sally	No, that's not frightening at all.
Jack	How about <i>Dead of Night</i> ?
Sally	No. I think Faces of Death and The Dead Return. Yeah,
	definitely. The Dead Return is really horrible!

Matt	How would you describe your boyfriend, Sue?
Sue	Er quite serious I suppose. But very friendly. Yeah.
	He's good with people. He isn't interested in clothes.
	And, well, not really generous. No. He never buys me
	anything