

## Poslechový subtest nové maturity Vyšší úroveň obtížnosti

**CD: 17**

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### PART ONE

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#### QUESTIONS 1–4

**You are going to hear people speaking in four different situations. For questions 1–4, choose the best alternative: A, B, C or D. After hearing the question, you will have eight seconds to read the alternative answers.**

#### Question 1: What is the recipe for?

Put some apple juice, cinnamon sticks, and sugar into a large pot. Heat over a medium flame, stirring until the sugar has dissolved. Remove from the heat. Allow the mixture to cool to room temperature, and discard the cinnamon sticks. It tastes just like apple pie! It's a great beverage in the autumn around a campfire. Serve it in jars for that traditional country appeal.

#### Question 2: With whom does the man want to speak?

*(on the answer phone)*

Hello, this is Charles Hanson. I hope I've got the right number. It's Julie... er, Julie Dixon, right? I got your number from Mark Peters. I came to your party with him and some friends last weekend and I met your sister Amy... and, well she had this friend. Her name was Susan... and I... well... this is embarrassing. Anyway, Mark said that Amy told him Susan wasn't seeing anyone, so I was hoping you might be able to give me her number... or at least let her know I was asking about her.

#### Question 3: Where will the event take place?

Now is your chance to have some fun, to learn something new, to help save lives and, best of all, to receive some great thank-you gifts. John Jay Elementary School, along with the U.S. Heart Association, is holding a Jump Rope For A Healthy Heart event in Hudson Park, just opposite the school playground, on

September 15 from 8 am until 5 pm Jump Rope For A Healthy Heart is fun and helps raise money to fight our nation's No. 1 killer, heart disease. Sign up before 5 pm on September 12 at the school district offices. Hope to see you there!

#### Question 4: What is the reason for the plane's late departure?

*(airport announcement)*

Good afternoon. This is an announcement for passengers of flight 17, bound for Buenos Aires, with stops in Atlanta and Miami. The departure gate has been changed to 30B. There will also be a delay in departure due to the sudden storm. The ground crew is in the process of de-icing the wings in preparation for departure. Today's flight is slightly overbooked, so we are offering complimentary round-trip tickets to a few passengers willing to take a later flight. We should be boarding in about a quarter of an hour. Thank you for your patience.

### PART TWO

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#### QUESTIONS 5–14

**You are going to hear a man speaking about his trip to Asia. For questions 5–14, decide which statements are TRUE (T) and which are FALSE (F). You now have twenty seconds to read the questions.**

This year I went to Kuala Lumpur for the first time. I had visited other Asian cities before but I was a little unsure what to expect. One reason was that Kuala Lumpur is in Malaysia and Malaysia is a Muslim nation, so I didn't know how I should behave. Would I be able to have bacon and eggs for breakfast? Would I be able to relax with a beer by the swimming pool? The guidebooks didn't mention any restrictions but you can never be too sure.

Actually, Malaysia is a very relaxed and open society. People from all over the world mix and are catered for. Most people wear Western clothes. Some young people even have piercings like in Europe. It was no problem to buy a beer and my hotel served bacon. But who wants bacon when it was possible to have beef curry for breakfast?

My first impression of Malaysia was that it was incredibly hot and humid. The whole city felt as though it was wrapped in a thick blanket. I didn't stop sweating the whole time I was there, which was quite uncomfortable. I'm not a great fan of the heat and was thankful to return to my air-conditioned room each day.

The highlight of the trip was the food. Malaysia is a mix of many cultures – Malay, Chinese, Indian and European. I would step out of my hotel and walk straight into a cloud of delicious spicy aromas. Right on the street I found all manner

of things to eat, such as grilled stingray, chilli crabs, garlic prawns, sweet tropical fruits, satay and noodles. Every day I tried a different local delicacy. However, if you are homesick for Western food, there were fast food chains as well, but I never went. I prefer Asian food.

Shopping in Kuala Lumpur is quite an experience. In most shops and at the markets, the shopkeepers will call out to you for attention. Sometimes they will even follow you and try to sell you a belt, perfume or DVDs. One thing you must remember is that if you want to buy something, discuss the price with the shopkeeper and try and get him to reduce it. This is called haggling. I don't enjoy this. However, it is the only way to guarantee that you pay a fair price. Otherwise you will probably be overcharged. If you want to avoid haggling then you can shop in one of the many shopping centres where the price written is what you pay. No argument.

There's a lot to see in Kuala Lumpur. The Petronas Towers are the second tallest buildings in the world and are certainly worth a visit. Entry is free but you do have to stand in a queue for quite a while. Though the visit is short, only fifteen minutes, the views are impressive as the building itself. Just outside the city are the Genting Highlands. These small mountains can be reached by bus and then a cable car. The slopes are covered in thick jungle and one man told me there were tigers living there. I didn't believe him because at the top of the hill is a luxury resort. I think all that noise would scare off any animal, even a tiger.

### PART THREE

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#### QUESTIONS 15–20

**You will hear a radio presenter talking to Rosemary Cash, a travel agent, about how to save money when booking a flight. For questions 15–20, choose the best alternative: A, B or C. You now have twenty seconds to read the questions.**

**Radio presenter:** Most people love to travel by plane, but did you know that some people travel around the country and abroad for both business and pleasure and save lots of money in the process? With us today is Rosemary Cash, a travel agent with Orange Blossom Travels, to let us in on some of the secrets of cheap travel. So Rosemary, is it as simple as relying on those good old "airfare price wars" – you know, where travel agents and companies fight each other for customers by lowering their prices?

**Rosemary:** Not really, no. The price wars can work to your advantage, but depending on them too much is a big mistake. The first step is actually as simple as calling the airlines.

**Radio presenter:** Sounds pretty basic.

**Rosemary:** Yes. However, it's when you call the airlines that's the trick. People should call between midnight and 1 a.m. Monday through Friday to get cheaper tickets. Most people never realize that at midnight, airline agents revise and load new fares into their computers. The best fares are just after they have done the updating!

**Radio presenter:** Wow, that's something I would never have thought of. I'll definitely try that next time I fly, if I can stay up that late. What else have you got for us?

**Rosemary:** Well, you should look into airports other than the main one you use. Most major cities have two airports. Try looking at surrounding towns and cities so you can compare airfares. You may save hundreds of dollars on your flights.

**Radio presenter:** Sounds great. Tell us more.

**Rosemary:** Okay. You've no doubt heard the expression "The early bird catches the worm", right?

**Radio presenter:** Yes... but, I don't really like getting up early... and I prefer coffee at breakfast.

**Rosemary:** Mmm, well, in the travel industry we like to say that the early bird catches the plane. Most people don't realize that the earlier you book your flight the more you save. Most special airfares have restrictions of 7 to 30 days advance purchase. They're usually non-refundable but they can offer big discounts.

**Radio presenter:** Does the day on which you travel make much difference?

**Rosemary:** Oh yes, mid-week travel is usually much less expensive. If you leave on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday and stay over a Saturday night, you can get terrific savings compared to Friday through Monday, which is when most people fly. Start taking your vacations Wednesday-to-Wednesday or Tuesday-to-Tuesday. You'll save a lot by choosing your departure and arrival dates this way!

**Radio presenter:** Okay Rosemary, you've given us some truly useful advice about when and where to book. Is there anything we can do, or ask for, that might make a difference in the fare?

**Rosemary:** There are a couple of things, actually. First, you should look into what is called an "Open-Jaw" ticket.

**Radio presenter:** Whoa! An "Open-Jaw" ticket? Is that some sort of special for dentists?

**Rosemary:** No, they're for anyone. They are used when a traveller is arriving and departing from different cities. For

example, if you fly into Los Angeles, but fly out of San Francisco. One ticket is purchased to cover both cities. You can ask your travel agent or airline representative to see if this trick is available instead of two one-way tickets, then compare the price of each.

**Radio presenter:** Right, and the other thing?

**Rosemary:** Simply travel with less luggage.

**Radio presenter:** Less? You mean I can't take two suitcases of clothes with me?

**Rosemary:** Well, you can, but you're going to pay more because many airlines charge for check-in luggage, that is luggage stored in the bottom of the plane.

**Radio presenter:** Really? I thought they only charged if you went above 20 kilograms.

**Rosemary:** This is true on more expensive airlines. However, on budget airlines they charge you for all check-in luggage. If you are making a short trip, say for business, take only hand luggage which they don't charge you for. It also means that you don't have to wait at the baggage collection and you can start enjoying your trip sooner.

**Radio presenter:** Well Rosemary, you've given us all a lot to think about. Thank you very much for your time. Tomorrow on the show... *(fade out)*

## PART FOUR

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### QUESTIONS 21–25

**You are going to hear five different people talking about education. For questions 21–25, choose from the list A–G how each person feels about education. There are two extra alternatives, which you will not use. You now have twenty seconds in which to read the alternatives.**

#### Speaker One

I returned to school last September after being stuck in the workforce as a waitress. Now, I want to do something more with my life. To many, a diploma is just a piece of paper. But to the people who are in charge of hiring, that piece of paper means that you took the time to learn and do something to prepare yourself to be the best person that you can be. They have to believe that if you are willing to work so hard for that piece of paper you will be willing to work hard for their company.

#### Speaker Two

I think you should pursue an education simply for the joy of learning something;

as a kind of mental exercise. For example, sciences can teach people the value of analytical thinking. Language courses should help people to articulate their thoughts and feelings. Courses in history and culture can help show where a group of people comes from, their values, ideals and morals. Of course, I would love it if we all achieved prosperity through our education. But, I also appreciate informed ideas and intelligent discussions. An education can also bring a person the appreciation of the finer details as well as the ability to see the bigger picture.

#### Speaker Three

Education alone is not the ticket to success. You need to have ambition and perseverance. It's true that people who have a lot of drive, determination and perseverance generally do go to university, and those with a lot of these qualities do very well, earning academic honours, etc. However, there are more than a few people out there who have made it without a degree. Some might claim they were lucky... or that "it's not what you know, but who you know that matters". And this might play a part, but in the end your own hard work is the key.

#### Speaker Four

It's not just the degree that matters. An education is what you make of it, and sometimes you can learn much more by failing an exam. Most people get an education to get a job. This is probably not the best approach. That's because true education is not a piece of paper, but the step-by-step ability to grow and mature. Education is the ability to try, to make mistakes, to learn from them, and try again. The day I stop learning and making mistakes is the day I stop living.

#### Speaker Five

I don't really want to say that education is the only way to be successful and have a productive and fulfilling life. I know a lot of people that have Bachelor's and Master's degrees and are not successful or happy. However, a degree can open new opportunities for me to provide for my family better. With a proper education I'm hoping that my family will no longer have to live paycheck to paycheck. It might just help me achieve the lifestyle I want. And I want to make enough money on my own just in case something ever happens to my husband. Besides, I don't want to be a housewife all my life. An education is the next step to my financial freedom.