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English B – Standard level – Paper 2 – Listening comprehension
Anglais B – Niveau moyen – Épreuve 2 – Compréhension orale
Inglés B – Nivel Medio – Prueba 2 – Comprensión auditiva

9 May 2025 / 9 mai 2025 / 9 de mayo de 2025

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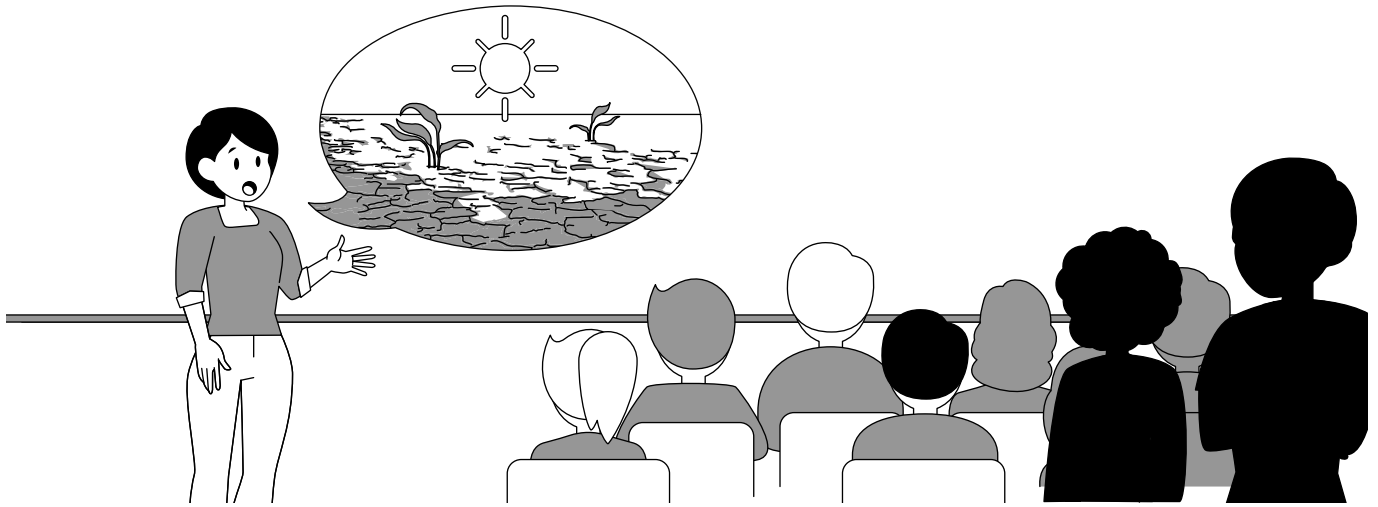
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Text A

You are going to hear a gardener give a talk to other gardeners about what they can do to reduce the problems caused by climate change.



1. Choose the **five** true statements.

[5]

☐

A. There is no water in the local river.

☐

B. The swans have disappeared from the area.

☐

C. The swimming pool is no longer open.

☐

D. Most local gardeners have their own solution for the climate problem.

☐

E. Climate Action has advised people not to use water in their gardens.

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F. Around half of local gardens have a concrete area.

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G. Climate Action offers money towards changing your garden.

H. There are fewer gardens with ponds in the area than before.

I. The frogs in the area are quite loud.

J. In the local area, it rains the most in spring.

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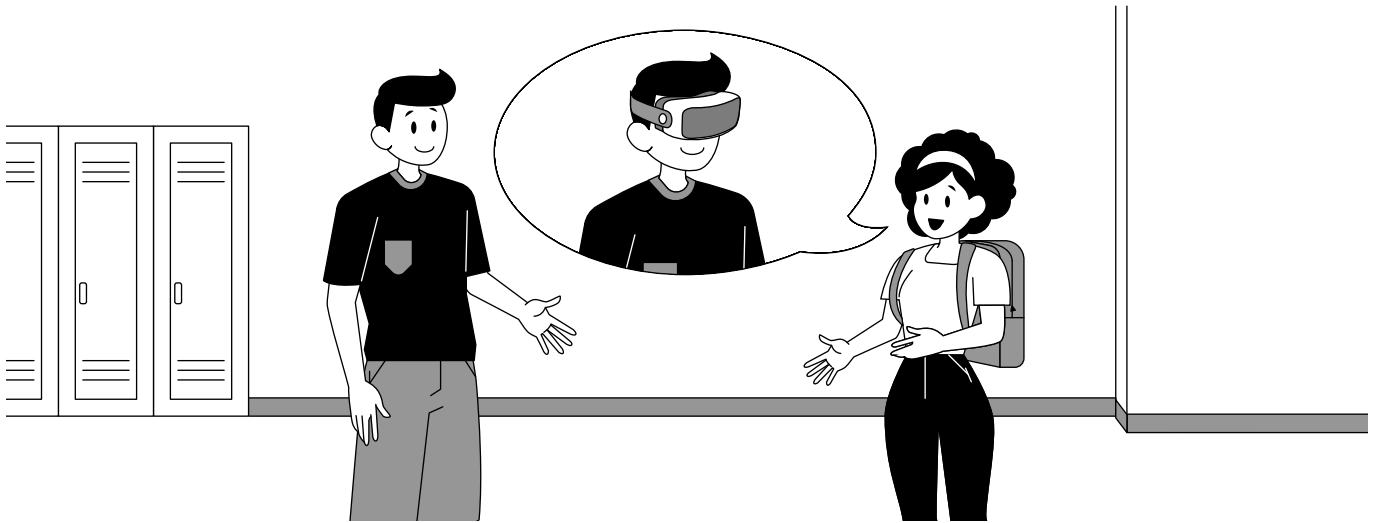


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Text B

You are going to hear a conversation between Alex and Jenny about a game that uses virtual reality, also known as VR.



Answer the following questions.

2. What was Alex using a VR headset for?

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3. What was the goal of the VR game that Jenny played?

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4. What makes the game Alex was playing different from similar games?

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Notes/Notas:



5. What do players need to buy and sell within the game Alex was playing?

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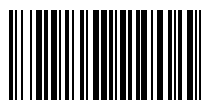
6. What inspired the development of the VR game that Alex was playing?

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Tick [✓] **one** correct option for each of the following statements.

Who expresses this?	Jenny	Alex	Both
7. Kingston is a familiar place.	☐	☐	☐
8. The images need to be enhanced.	☐	☐	☐
9. The compass is distracting for players.	☐	☐	☐
10. The temperature mark should be kept.	☐	☐	☐
11. The volume of the background music should be adjusted.	☐	☐	☐

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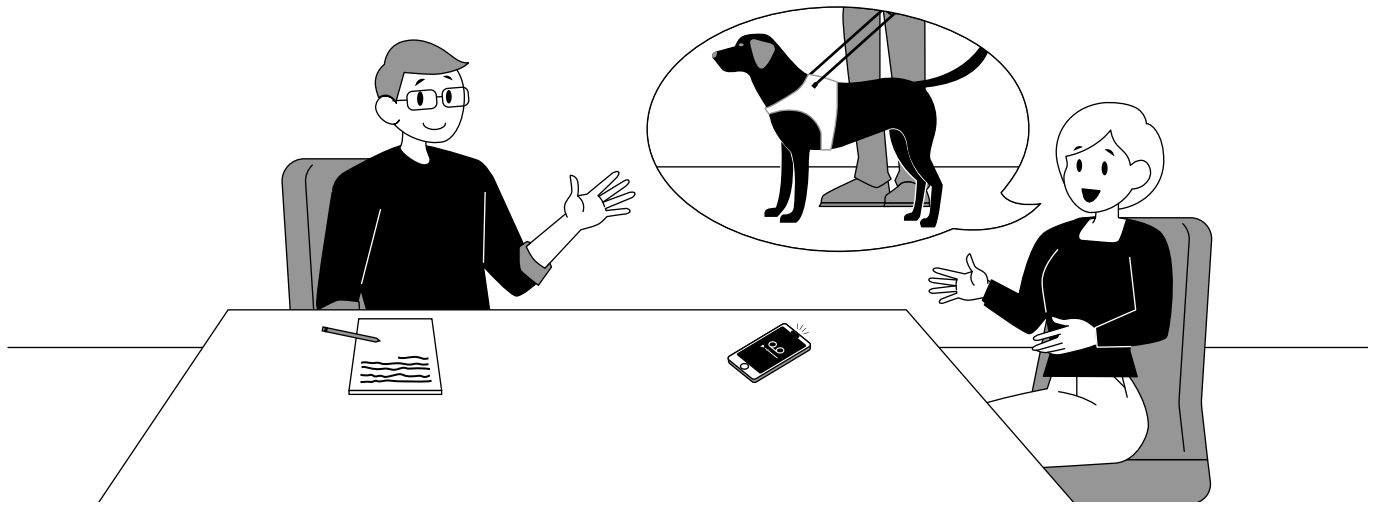


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Text C

You are going to hear an interview between a journalist and a city councillor about service dogs.



Complete the following gaps. Use no more than three words for each gap.

The journalist's notes:

Service dogs:

- They assist people with disabilities in daily activities.
- Most significant advantage: they offer [– 12 –] to their handlers.

Important to know:

- Currently, the city does not offer any [– 13 –] for service dogs.
- A [– 14 –] is sufficient as evidence for the status of a service dog.
- Businesses cannot ask the dog to perform the task it is trained to do because of [– 15 –] concerns.
- Businesses cannot use [– 16 –] or fear of dogs as reasons to deny access to people using service dogs.

Notes/Notas:



12. [– 12 –]

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13. [– 13 –]

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14. [– 14 –]

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15. [– 15 –]

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16. [– 16 –]

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Notes/Notas:



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Choose the correct answer.

17. Service dogs may be asked to leave a place if they...

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- A. seem to be sick.
- B. disobey orders.
- C. bark excessively.

18. The handler must ensure that the dog is...

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- A. on a leash.
- B. getting enough exercise.
- C. affectionate towards others.

19. The guidelines on service dogs are...

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- A. now undergoing revision.
- B. universal across the country.
- C. rarely followed by businesses.

20. Currently, vests that say “Service Dog”...

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- A. have unique features for identification.
- B. are bought at designated places.
- C. may take different colours and forms.

21. What quality did the **journalist** think would serve as an indicator of a service dog?

☐

- A. Size
- B. Attitude
- C. Dog breed

Notes/Notas:

