



IMPROVING OUR SKILLS: LISTENING

JUNIORS – Advanced Groups

In this worksheet you will find **TWO** tasks from the listening section of the **FCE exam**.

LISTENING 1

Before listening to the audio you must:

- **Read** each question trying to **understand** what it is **being asked**.
- **Highlight** key words.



PART 4

You will hear **part of a radio interview** with a woman **called Rachel Reed**, who works in a **commercial art gallery**, a shop which **sells works of art**. For questions **24 – 30**, choose the best answer (**A, B or C**).

24 What does Rachel say about her job title?

- A It makes her feel more important than she is.
- B It gives people the wrong idea about her work.
- C It is appropriate for most of the work she does.

25 What is the most common reason for the gallery not exhibiting an artist's work?

- A The subject matter is unsuitable.
- B It is not of a high enough quality.
- C The gallery manager doesn't like it.

26 When can phone calls from artists be difficult for Rachel?

- A when their work doesn't sell
- B when they don't receive payments
- C when their work is not accepted

27 Why does Rachel include a commentary in the catalogue?

- A It gives background information about the artist.
- B It encourages people to buy paintings over the phone.
- C It tells people what experts think of the work.

28 What does Rachel say about administrative work?

- A She is able to leave a lot of it to others.
- B She would like to have an assistant to help with it.
- C She finds it hard to get it all organised.

29 What is Rachel's role in the service the gallery offers to large companies?

- A making initial contacts
- B responding to enquiries
- C promoting a certain type of art

30 What does Rachel find most enjoyable about her job?

- A meeting interesting people
- B the fact that it's unpredictable
- C being close to works of art

After listening to the audio and answering the question, **explain** the meaning of the following words and phrases **according to the context in used**.

1. **Job Title:**

6. **Encourages:**

2. **Unsuitable:**

7. **Administrative Work:**

3. **Gallery manager:**

8. **Initial Contacts:**

4. **Payments:**

9. **Promoting:**

5. **Catalogue:**

10. **Unpredictable:**

LISTENING 2

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PART 1

You will hear people talking in **eight different situations**. For questions **1 – 8**, choose the best answer (**A, B or C**).

1.- You hear a message on a telephone answering machine.

Why is the speaker calling?

- A. to confirm some arrangements
- B. to issue an invitation
- C. to persuade someone to do something

2.- You hear two people talking about a water- sport centre.

The man says the centre should

- A. pay more attention to safety.
- B. offer activities for small children.
- C. provide all the equipment needed.

3.- You hear a professional tennis player talking about her career..

What annoys her most about interviewers?

- A. their belief that she leads a glamorous life
- B. their assumption that she's motivated by money
- C. their tendency to disturb her while she's travelling.

4.- You hear a poet talking about this work.

What is he doing?

- A. giving his reasons for starting to visit schools.
- B. justifying the childlike nature of some of his recent poems.
- C. explaining that his poems appeal to people of different ages.

5.- You hear two people talking about a programme they saw on TV.

The woman thinks the programme was?

- A. irritating.
- B. sad.
- C. uninformative.

6.- You hear two people talking about an ice-hockey game they've just seen.

How does the girl feel about it?

- A. pleased to have had the experience
- B. relieved that she'd dressed appropriately
- C. impressed by the performance of the team

7.- You overhear two friends talking about a restaurant.

What do they both like about it?

- A. the presentation of the food
- B. the atmosphere of the place
- C. the originality of the cooking

8.- You hear a man talking on the radio.

What type of information is he giving?

- A. a travel announcement
- B. a weather forecast
- C. an accident report

After listening to the audio and **choosing** the best answer, **you MUST justify** your answers, showing **SUFFICIENT evidence** to support your choice.

N° Answer Support your answer.

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