

TAPESCRIPT.

NB! (тексты звучат два раза)

TASK 1

Rubric: 8 – You will hear two friends talking about a new clothes shop.

M: I see you've been to that new clothes store in the shopping centre.

F: Oh, you saw the logo on these bags! Yes, it's really popular. I got a couple of tops and some trousers.

M: Who did you go with?

F: On my own, but the assistants were nice – telling me whether things suited me or not, and getting me to try different sizes. The coolest most fashionable stuff has already gone, but I was glad I found things I liked that didn't cost too much. They weren't expensive compared to some things there.

M: I'd better tell my sister to get down there.

Rubric: Now listen again.

Rubric: 9 – You will hear two friends talking about a pop band's website.

M: I've got tickets for the Blue Angels concert on Saturday. Would you like to go?

F: Yes, great! How did you get them?

M: From their website.

F: I tried to do that once but I had to give up. It wouldn't let me pay for some reason.

M: Yeah, it's confusing. I had to phone the help line. They showed me how to do it.

F: They should just make it simpler. Otherwise I've no problem with the website. It posts new stories about the band members nearly every day.

M: Yeah, and some of the replies to fans from the two guitar players are really funny.

Rubric: Now listen again.

Rubric: 10 – You will hear a woman telling a friend about an art competition she's won.

F: You'll never guess. I've won first prize in that art competition I went in for.

M: Wow! Congratulations! What's the prize?

F: A weekend in New York with free entrance to all the art galleries there.

M: That's fantastic!

F: I know. But I have to go before the end of the month and I can't get the time off

work.

M: Oh, no!

F: Yes, I can't believe I have to miss such a great chance.

M: At least you know the judges thought highly of your work.

F: I suppose so, but it wasn't one of my best pictures.

Rubric: **Now listen again.**

Rubric: **11 – You will hear two friends talking about the girl's flatmate.**

F: My flat-mate's driving me crazy!

M: I can't believe that! She's so shy.

F: Yes, never says a word – I do all the talking. I've got nothing to complain about there!

M: She has her music a bit loud. I can see that'd be annoying when you're trying to study.

F: Actually, it's the way she never picks anything up that bothers me. Her stuff is all over the living room and bathroom as well as her bedroom. Her music helps me concentrate, so I don't mind that.

M: You should speak to her.

Rubric: **Now listen again.**

Rubric: **12 – You will hear two friends talking about a football match.**

M: Not a great day for our team.

F: Well, they didn't win. But, actually, considering how many guys couldn't play because of injury, they didn't do so badly.

M: They played well actually. I heard they're putting more effort into their training programme, and we're beginning to see the benefits of that.

F: That's right. I think the main trouble they had tonight is that they just don't believe enough in their own ability.

M: Yeah.

Rubric: **Now listen again.**

Rubric: **13 – You will hear two friends talking about a tennis match they played.**

F: Pity we didn't win, but we played quite well.

M: You played well – I was rubbish. I need to practise a lot harder.

F: It's difficult to find a time when we're both free for more practice.

M: I know. And I must improve my fitness first. You can run all over the court and attack every ball. I'm not a good athlete like you. How do you do it?

- F:** Well. I go to the gym four times a week.
- M:** That's what I need! Can I come with you? I want to be in really good shape for our next competition.
- F:** Sure.
- Rubric:** Now listen again.

TASK 2

Rubric Now look at part 4. For each question, choose the correct answer.

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Look at questions 20 to 25 now. You have 45 seconds.

- Rubric:** You will hear an interview with a woman called Vicky Prince, a champion swimmer who now works as a swimming coach.
- M:** I'm talking to champion swimmer Vicky Prince, who started competitive swimming as a teenager. Why swimming, Vicky?
- F:** Well, though my parents are interested in sport, they aren't great swimmers themselves, and we didn't go swimming that often. I learnt at school like everyone else, and just seemed to be good at it, so my teacher persuaded me to go in for competitions. I mean I did join a swimming club later, but that wasn't where it all started.
- M:** Did you have to do lots of training?
- F:** I did. I used to get up at five to go to the pool, which was a thirty-five-minute drive from our house, where I'd swim till eight. I'd have breakfast in the car while Mum was driving me to school. After classes, I did exercises in the school gym to build my strength, before lunch. Then later on, it was back to the pool for another three hours.
- M:** So it was a hard training programme?
- F:** Yes, it meant I couldn't go to things like parties because I had to get up so early, but I got used to that. Much harder was losing two of the friends I'd known since I was very young because I couldn't go out much. That was tough. I also missed school trips to France though I did get to go there later, so it didn't matter in the end.
- M:** But you won a national competition?
- F:** Yes, I was in the team that took first prize in the national finals. I always swam for enjoyment, so I was surprised to find myself holding up a cup! I hadn't swam that well in the semi-finals, so I guess the crowd were more interested in the other swimmers in my race. So that made it easier to do well. Of course, I'd trained hard too, but I always did.
- M:** And now you're a coach, teaching other people.
- F:** Yes, I've just done a qualification to be a coach, but passing on my own experience is how I can really help them. And because I've both won and lost in competitions, and recovered from that, it's something I can share with people. Winning isn't just about technique.
- M:** And you've taken up long-distance swimming?

F: Yes, just as a hobby. I mean I do want to maintain my fitness levels, but that wasn't the main reason for choosing it. And long-distance swimming in the sea isn't all fun – it can be hard work – but you do get to see some wonderful places, and that's what attracted me to it.

Rubric: Now listen again.