

Reading and Listening

Lesson 9 – B

Topic : Events

Aim : Improve Reading and Listening skills with vocabulary studies

Acquire and evaluate information

Listening for key words to determine subject matter of conversations

I READING

Exercise 1 : **VOCABULARY**. Choose the one word or phrase that best complete the sentences.

Then practice using the words in your own sentence. (5 – 6 minutes)

1.The chairman thought he was speaking off the record when he _____ in the reporter that he had no confidence in the current vice president for the Asia – Pacific region.

(a)confident

(b)confided

(c)confides

(d)confidence

2.In order for a group effort to proceed _____, it is important for each member to sacrifice some of his or her independence.

(a)efficient

(b)efficiencies

(c)efficiently

(d)efficiency

3.As her first _____, the committee chairwoman wanted to attract new, energetic members to the group.

(a)prior

(b)priority

(c)prioritize

(d)prioritized

4.Have you posted notices on the bulletin boards that there have several _____ changes in the administration.

(a)signified

(b)significant

(c)significance

(d)significancy

5.This year, our corporation has enjoyed the _____ increase in sales in our history.

(a)outstanding

(b)superior

(c)matuarest

(d)greatest

Reading Comprehension. Read the following Agenda and E - mail and try to answer the questions that follow.(5 - 6mins)

Wedding Reception Agenda	
3:30 p.m.	- Guests will arrive at the banquet hall. Band will perform several numbers as the guests arrive.
4:30 p.m.	- Bride and groom and their parents will arrive. Band will play the wedding march. Photographer will take photos of the couple entering the hall.
4:45 p.m.	- Bride and groom will go to the stage and each will give a short speech.
5:00 p.m.	- Bride and groom will do their first dance. Then bride will dance with her father, and groom will dance with the bride's mother. The bride's brother will start filming.
5:15 p.m.	- Everyone else will join on the dancing.
5:45 p.m.	- Dinner will be served. Dinner will be a five-course meal catered by Catering2Go.
6:45 p.m.	- The best man will give a toast.
7:00 p.m.	- The bride and groom will slice the cake.
7:15 p.m.	- Cake and champagne will be served to guests.
8:00 p.m.	- Bride will throw the bouquet and the couple will leave the party for their honeymoon.

To : Paula
From : Rick
Subject : The wedding reception agenda
Hi Paula,
Thanks for sending the wedding reception agenda. I have a few comments and suggestions.
I think it would be better to start the filming from the moment the bride and groom, Kurt and Luisa, step out of the car and go into the hall. I checked with my sister, and she said she would prefer that we do it that way. I also think there should be more time for dancing. Guests usually like to take this time to mingle and get to know one another. I do not want to film during this time so that the guests feel more comfortable.
Please tell me your thoughts about this. If you agree, I think we need to revise the agenda and send it out as soon as possible.
Yours,
Rick

1. Who is Rick?

- (a) The best man
- (b) The photographer
- (c) Lisa's brother
- (d) Paula's brother

2. What will Rick do at the wedding?

- (a) Take photos
- (b) Film it
- (c) Make a toast
- (d) Dance with the bride at first

3. What will the best man do?

- (a) Make toast for the guests
- (b) Serve desserts to everyone
- (c) Make a speech after dinner
- (d) Film the bride and groom

4. What does Rick think more time should be set aside for?

- (a) speeches
- (b) photos
- (c) eating dinner
- (d) dancing

1. What would Rick like Paula to do?

- (a) Send him a new agenda
- (b) Get to know the guests
- (c) Give him her opinion
- (d) Make the guests feel more comfortable

LISTENING

Exercise 1 *Picture Description* (1 - 2 minutes)



Choose the best statement that best describes what you see in the picture.

A night scene

- (A)
- (B)
- (C)
- (D)

Exercise 2. *Let's listen!* Read a question about the conversation and chose the best answer to each question that follows. (5 - 6 minutes)



1.What is the big event this weekend?

- (a)An outdoor concert
- (b)A company picnic
- (c)An awards banquet
- (d)An educational Seminar

2.Why did the woman offer her assistance?

- (a)She knows some sales managers will be accompanied by family members
- (b)She is not interested in playing golf.
- (c)She works in the company's educational department.
- (d)She has a connection at the amusement park.

3.What is one of the attractions of the children's museum?

- (a)The company can get complimentary tickets.
- (b)The parents can have as much fun as their kids.
- (c)It shows the best children's science films in the U.S.
- (d)It is conveniently located downtown

Exercise 3. *Let's complete it!* Listen again to the audio clip and fill up the missing word or phrase. (3-4 min)



W : I understand some of the _____ will be bringing their families to the company's _____ this weekend. Would you like me to organize some activities for their _____ and kids while they're participating in the golf tournament?

M : That would be great! My brother manages a big _____ so I can get _____.

W : Or I'll take them to the childrens' museum downtown. It has a lot of _____ that both the parents and kids enjoy.

M : Yeah, I enjoyed the whole day I was there with my kids.

educational activities	amusement park	complimentary tickets
spouses	awards banquet	sales manager

Exercise 1: *Listening Comprehension Transcript*

- (A) The architecture is typically western.
- (B) You can see the moon clearly.
- (C) Fireworks have been let off.
- (D) All the buildings are in the dark.

Exercise 2: *Listening Comprehension Transcript*

W : I understand some of the sales managers will be bringing their families to the company's awards banquet this weekend. Would you like me to organize some activities for their spouses and kids while they're participating in the golf tournament?

M : That would be great! My brother manages a big amusement park so I can get complimentary tickets.

W : Or I'll take them to the childrens' museum downtown. It has a lot of educational activities that both the parents and kids enjoy.

M : Yeah, I enjoyed the whole day I was there with my kids.

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