WORKBOOK LISTENINGS

Module 1, page 19 (CD 4, Track 26)

Host: Please welcome our next guest. He's the winner of this year's Top Talent Competition, singer and songwriter Bobby Weiler.

Bobby: Thank you!

Host: Bobby, what does it feel like being famous and having so many fans?

Bobby: Well, I can't really believe it. Just a year ago, I was a car salesman.

Host: That's right. And now you've got a number 1 hit album.

Bobby: Yes, it's incredible.

Host: So tell us about yourself, Bobby. I know you didn't perform in front of an audience until you were 18. Can you tell us about your first performance?

Bobby: Well, the singer in a school musical was ill, so I was asked to perform in his place. It was very frightening.

Host: How did you do?

Bobby: I actually sang well, but I didn't think I was good enough to make music my career.

Host: So you became a car salesman.

Bobby: Yes, I sold cars for two years.

Host: Did you use to sing for family or friends when you were young?

Bobby: No! Never! But I loved music. I used to listen to Radiohead a lot while I was growing up. I think they're brilliant. That's why I started playing the guitar. Two years ago, I heard Julian Bliss playing the clarinet at a live concert. So I taught myself to play the clarinet too.

Host: That's amazing! So what made you start performing?

Bobby: I heard about the Top Talent Competition. I decided to try – just for fun. Then my life changed.

Host: It certainly did, Bobby! Now you're a famous singer and songwriter. Will you play something for us, please?

Bobby: Yes, of course. I'll play a tune from my album, *Magic Now*.

Host: Great!

Module 2, page 31 (CD 4, Track 28)

Travel agent: Good morning, Mr Brown. Welcome back! How was your trip to Spain?

Mr Brown: Amazing, thank you, Jenny! I really enjoyed it.

Travel agent: That's great. How can I help you today?

Mr Brown: I'd like to book a holiday in India. I want to visit friends in New Delhi at the beginning of December. Then I want to tour around for a few days. After that, I'd like to go somewhere with a beach.

Travel agent: Have you ever been to India before?

Mr Brown: Yes. I went to a wedding there in 2008.

Travel agent: Where was it?

Mr Brown: In New Delhi.

Travel agent: Did you travel around while you were there?

Mr Brown: Well, I visited the most beautiful building in the world – the Taj Mahal.

Travel agent: That's true, it's amazing! Where did you go after you'd visited the Taj Mahal?

Mr Brown: After that, I went to Agra Fort, the ancient home of Mughal emperors. It's an incredible place.

Travel agent: Well, there's a lot more to see in the area. Have you ever been on a tiger safari?

Mr Brown: No, I haven't. I'd love that!

Travel agent: Well, there's a Bengal tiger safari at the Ranthambhore National Park. It's not far from New Delhi. But you must spend the night there in order to see the tigers early in the morning. After that, you can visit the Jantar Mantar observatory and a Sikh temple. I'll plan a route for you.

Mr Brown: That sounds great.

Travel agent: After that, you can fly to Goa. There are some lovely beaches in the area.

Mr Brown: Oh, I've seen pictures of the beaches in Goa – they look beautiful.

Travel agent: OK, then. I'll send you some information and then we can discuss dates for the flights.

Mr Brown: Great! Thanks very much.

Module 3, page 43 (CD 4, Track 30)

Radio newsreader: Good morning! This is Mike Turner for City Radio, and we're talking about today's main news. During the night, graffiti appeared on buildings all over the city. The police have already received 23 calls from business and shop owners. Home owners have also reported damage to their homes and cars.

Detective Inspector Green, one of the police officers investigating the crime, received the first call at 5.00 from Jason Sanders, a homeowner in the centre of town. Mr Sanders reported graffiti on his front door and on his car. More calls were received from angry residents during the morning.

Shop owner Lisa Portman e-mailed us at City Radio with the following: "I own a fruit and vegetable shop. If you had walked past my shop this morning, you would have been shocked. When I arrived at work, I saw graffiti painted on the shop windows. I'm so angry, because people will see this and they won't want to come into the shop. It will cost me a lot of money to clean, so I think this is a terrible crime."

Not everyone is upset about the graffiti: Katie M. saw a colourful graffiti picture on her way to work and posted a photo on Instagram, saying, "This is better than ugly grey walls". Police will be investigating, and City Radio will keep you updated.

If you have an opinion – or any information about this issue – please call us at City Radio, or e-mail us.

Module 4, page 55 (CD 4, Track 32)

Conversation 1

Rebecca: Hi, Jenny! What are you doing?

Jenny: Hi, Rebecca. I'm writing a shopping list.

Rebecca: What do you need to buy?

Jenny: I'm cooking dinner for my family tonight, so I want to make a healthy and tasty meal. What do you think I should make?

Rebecca: My family love healthy fish and chips!

Jenny: What are healthy fish and chips?

Rebecca: The fish and chips aren't fried. We cook them in the oven.

Jenny: That's a great idea! I'll make a fresh salad, too. Thanks for your help!

Rebecca: No problem. Enjoy!

Conversation 2

Doctor: Hi, Sam. What's wrong?

Sam: I've hurt my back. It really hurts to walk and it even hurts when I lie down.

Doctor: When did this start?

Sam: Last night. I've got a big maths test, so I've spent a lot of time studying and my chair isn't comfortable.

Doctor: Well, that's the problem! When you study, you have to sit in a comfortable chair. Does your neck hurt too?

Sam: Yes, it does. But my back hurts more than my neck.

Doctor: OK, here are some tablets. You should take one tablet every day. This will make you feel better. But you also need to change your chair! You'll study better. Good luck for your test.

Sam: Thanks.

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Police Officer: Hi, Greg, thanks for coming down to the station. Can you give me your full name and address, please?

Greg: Sure, it's Greg Johnson and my address is 22 Willow Drive, Sandtown.

Police Officer: Thanks, Greg. Now, what happened this afternoon at 6.30 pm?

Greg: After seeing a horror film at the cinema, I walked to the car park where I'd left my bike.

Police Officer: OK. What happened next?

Greg: As I was unlocking my bike, two people attacked me. They stole my phone and my bike!

Police Officer: Did they take anything else?

Greg: They tried to steal my wallet, too. But someone started shouting, so they ran away.

Police Officer: Can you describe them?

Greg: They were male, probably around 18 or 19 years old. One had long blond hair and the other was wearing a black baseball cap. They were both wearing black jackets. I didn't see their faces properly, though.

Police Officer: OK, we'll try and find your phone through GPS tracking. There have been a lot of similar attacks recently, so we think it might be the same people. We'll phone you if we have any information.

Greg: Thank you.

Module 6, page 79 (CD 4, Track 36)

Shop Assistant: Hi, can I help you?

Maria: Yes, I need to return this top, please.

Shop Assistant: OK. Is there a problem with the top?

Maria: Yes, when I tried it on at home, I noticed that it was dirty and that one of the buttons was missing.

Shop Assistant: Have you got your receipt?

Maria: Yes, here it is.

Shop Assistant: Great … Hmm, OK, there might be a problem.

Maria: What's wrong?

Shop Assistant: Well, you bought the top nearly three weeks ago. We can only give you a refund if the product is brought back within two weeks.

Maria: Oh, no! I've been on holiday, so I couldn't return it sooner.

Shop Assistant: We can exchange it. Is that acceptable?

Maria: That would be good, thanks.

Shop Assistant: Look around the shop. When you find something, bring it back to the checkout counter and I'll exchange the products.

Maria: Thanks for your help.