

Gateway B1 Russian Tests

Units 1 and 2

Part 1 Listening

Вы услышите 6 высказываний. Установите соответствие между высказыванием каждого говорящего 1–6 и утверждениями, данными в списке А–Г. Используйте каждое утверждение, обозначенное соответствующей буквой только один раз. В задании есть одно лишнее утверждение.

Speaker 1

Pam and I live in a flat in the city. Although we aren't married, we plan to have children—lots of them. Pam was an only child and she didn't like it, so we want at least three kids. And my dad wants to see us with children too. He complains that now he's retired he wants grandkids. He's in hospital at the moment. I go to see him a lot. I don't mind but I feel like I never get to see Pam any more. It's really quite upsetting.

Speaker 2

I was married to Pete for almost ten years. We both worked a lot so we decided not to have children. Now that I think about it, that's probably why we got divorced. I don't mean that we broke up because we didn't have kids. That was never a problem because I have lots of nieces and nephews that I treat like my own. No, I mean that we broke up because we spent so much time at our jobs.

Speaker 3

I'm retired and I get bored quite easily. Being a senior citizen with all this time on my hands isn't all that great. Time goes very slowly. Well, except when the grandchildren are here! Then time flies, and believe me, things are never boring! My husband and I always look forward to the weekends when little Joe and Sue come to visit.

Speaker 4

My mom is great. She's like two parents for the price of one! My dad moved out last year after their divorce, and it was a bit sad of course, but my brother, Bill, and I see him at weekends. And then there's my grandmother! There's nothing she likes better than cooking us meals or taking us out in the evenings.

Speaker 5

Things are bad in my family at the moment. My parents argue a lot, and that really upsets me. Dad is always away on business and mum hates it that they don't spend time together. I'm an only child so I don't have anyone to discuss things with. I have lots of cousins and I like hanging out with them, but it just isn't the same.

Speaker 6

I turned 50 yesterday! My sister called to wish me a happy birthday, and both my husband and my daughter sent me flowers. I didn't hear anything from my nephew, Joey, but I'm not surprised. He's a teenager and always out doing things with his friends. I liked being 16 but I love my life now. I have my work, my partner, my kids are grown up—hey, I've got everything I want!

Units 3 and 4

Part 2 Listening

Вы услышите разговор двух друзей. Определите какие из приведенных утверждений A1–A7 соответствуют содержанию текста (True), какие не соответствуют (False) и о чем в тексте не сказано, то есть на основании текста нельзя дать ни положительного ни отрицательного ответа (Not stated).

- Ivan:** Tatiana? Is that you?
Tatiana: Ivan! Yes, it's me. How nice of you to call! You never call on Friday. What a wonderful surprise!
- Ivan:** Wait a minute ... you know, your voice sounds funny. Are you OK?
Tatiana: Oh, I've been ill! Last week I caught a virus and I had a high temperature, a headache and a terrible cough. Now, I just have this sore throat.
- Ivan:** Oh, dear. How awful! Have you taken any painkillers?
Tatiana: No, just some antibiotics. My flatmate, Jan, told me to go and see a doctor, but I thought I just had the flu. Then, I got really ill so I went to the college health centre and I saw a nurse there who advised me what to take.
- Ivan:** Have you missed any classes?
Tatiana: Yes, a lot! But it's OK because another student, Karen, is helping me to revise what I've missed.
- Ivan:** Is she studying languages too?
Tatiana: No, she's studying to be a translator. But she's English so she's a native speaker.
- Ivan:** Oh, that's good. You can practise your English with her.
Tatiana: That's right. She's really clever. She's lived in four countries and she knows lots of languages.
- Ivan:** Lucky her! Did you say she's from England?
Tatiana: Well, that's where she was born, but her dad is Austrian, so she's spent a lot of time in Austria.
- Ivan:** I've dreamed about visiting Austria since I was a kid!
Tatiana: Well, then I've got a surprise for you!
Ivan: What?
Tatiana: Well, if I tell you, it won't be a surprise!
Ivan: Tell me! You're driving me mad!
Tatiana: OK, OK! Well, Karen has invited me and a friend to come and visit her for two weeks in Vienna when my course ends in May.
- Ivan:** What! I've never been so excited in my life. I can't wait three months!
Tatiana: You have to!
Ivan: You've made me so happy!
Tatiana: Great! I have to go. I haven't done my homework yet, and my lesson is in 30 minutes!

Units 5 and 6

Part 3 Listening

Вы услышите рассказ о телевизионных программах. В заданиях A8–A14 обведите цифру 1, 2 или 3, соответствующую выбранному вами варианту ответа.

Hello, and thanks for watching *What's On* this morning. I'm your host, Bill Hines, and as I do every Monday and Thursday, I'm going to talk to you about all the great programmes Channel DBD has lined up for you, our viewing audience. So, let's get started. Good news, viewers! Especially you viewers who can't get enough of films! This week on DBD it's film week! Along with all our regular programmes: the soaps, the reality shows and all the other cool programmes on offer here at Channel DBD, we've got films! Yes, yes! We've got scary films, funny films, serious dramas—all the most popular films just for you! And it just keeps getting better here at Channel DBD because viewers you've got, not one, but two a day to choose from! Today, to start off film week with a bang, we've got one of the funniest films ever, *Shrek 4*. Isn't that great? It is! And that's on at 6pm and it's followed by something a little more dramatic at 9pm, *Three Brothers*, starring Mark Wahlberg. Our second film of the day is followed by *Screams & Ghosts*, starting at 11pm and finishing half an hour later at 11.30. This show is one of DBD's new programmes this year and, judging from all the calls and emails the station has got so far, viewers are very excited about it. It might be a little frightening for some though, so if you're 13 or younger, you may not be old enough to watch it. Right! So, let's see what we have for tomorrow, Tuesday. If you're up early enough, you'll be on time to watch the chat show *Ellen's Hour* at eight and then *World News* at nine. Right after that, at ten, we've got an hour-long documentary called *Our Living Earth* for those of you who are interested in animals, plants and all the other amazing things we share the planet with. Next up at 11 we have our first film of the day: *Garfield: The Movie!* A cartoon, this film is perfect for both little people and big people, so Mum should get the popcorn ready! And everyone get ready for some laughs with Garfield, one of the most famous cats on Earth! All right, what's next? Yes, of course, football! All you football fans out there, why not enjoy a match with your lunch? Starting at midday, this is a game you do not want to miss! Arsenal plays Manchester United in what might be one of the best matches of the season. If you like football, Channel DBD has got it all for you! Moving on now. Later in the afternoon ...

Units 7 and 8

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Speaker 1

Sure, I'm the star—it's amazing! The coolest job in the world! But it's not all about me. If it weren't for the people working in the background, I'd be nothing. There are the extras that make a scene realistic, the director who comes up with the creative ideas and, of course, the producer who's responsible for the whole project. Yes, I love my job—the money, the fame! One thing I don't like? Autographs! People giving things to me to sign: bits of paper, tickets, whatever they've got. It drives me mad!

Speaker 2

I'm in my second year at university. I needed a job that fitted in with my timetable. Being a dog-walker for a few hours a day is perfect for me. I'm outdoors all the time so I get lots of exercise! And I earn enough to pay my rent, buy food, and go out every now and then. That's all I want, really. And I don't have to depend on my parents for anything—I'm totally independent.

Speaker 3

Being a computer programmer? It's brilliant, and I'm lucky to have this job. I get good money. I have the chance to use all that technical knowledge I got at college. No, I love my job. In fact, it would be perfect except for one thing—I'm stuck in an office all day. I shouldn't complain really but I just think being inside all the time is unhealthy.

Speaker 4

I've been a builder for years. I started doing it as a summer job when I was a student and then I turned professional. Like everything, it's got good points and bad points. On the positive side, I wear what I want. Well, I have to wear boots and a helmet, of course, but no uniform. And I love doing manual labour. On the negative side? Hmm, low wages and working outdoors in the winter!

Speaker 5

If you asked me what I liked best about being a police officer, I'd have to say it's working with the public. Seriously! I love being out on the streets, meeting people, talking to them, helping them. Of course, there are some people that see the uniform and think 'Here come the bad guys' but not everyone feels that way. One thing I hate about my job is typing out reports and letters, you know, 'paper pushing' as we call it. It has to be done, but time really goes by slowly!

Speaker 6

My dream came true the day I got this job! I work for the best fashion design company in the world! I get to meet famous people and I live in Paris! Everybody should be as happy as I am in my job. And you know something? It's not about the money—although it's great! No, it's about using my ideas and my imagination to make something that is totally mine!

Units 9 and 10

Part 3 Listening

Вы услышите интервью. В заданиях A8–A14 обведите цифру 1, 2 или 3, соответствующую выбранному вами варианту ответа.

- Interviewer:** Excuse me, sir. My name's Alexandra. I'm a student at the local university and I'm doing research for a project that I'm working on. I was wondering if you could complete this questionnaire for me. There are only five questions, so I'll only need about ten minutes of your time.
- Man:** Oh, well, I see. I'm on my way to work, but OK. What's your project about?
- Interviewer:** It's about people's reading and Internet habits. You know, what kinds of books they read, how often they read, whether they have the Internet at home, how many emails they send or receive in a day—that kind of thing.
- Man:** That sounds quite interesting. All right, go ahead.
- Interviewer:** Great! You'll be asked the questions, and then I'll fill in your answers on here. OK. Let's start with your reading habits. Question number one: What kind of books do you read?
- Man:** Hmm, well, I read a lot. I probably read two books a week and I'll read almost any kind of book. But I really enjoy books that have been written to teach people something. For example, I love to cook so I really like reading cookbooks because they're very informative and help me to become a better cook.
- Interviewer:** OK. Is there any other kind of book that interests you?
- Man:** Yes, I also enjoy reading books about the past. I like finding out how people lived long, long ago. And it's not important to me if everything in these books is true or not. What does matter to me is that by reading these books, even though they are fiction, I can get a pretty good idea of how life was lived way back then.
- Interviewer:** What kinds of books do you like best?
- Man:** Oh, I'd have to say that my favourite kinds of books are those that famous people have written about themselves! I've just started reading one called *My Life* that was written by Bill Clinton—you know, the former President of the USA? I can't seem to put it down! Every time I open it, I want to read on to the very end!
- Interviewer:** That does sound interesting! I must get a copy of it next time I'm in a bookshop. OK. Question number two: What do you read besides books? I mean, do you read newspapers, or ever use a dictionary or an encyclopedia?
- Man:** Right. Let's see ... hmm. On weekdays, Monday to Friday, I read the newspaper every morning at work. But I always read it online so I'm not sure if that counts as a proper newspaper. At the weekends, I go to the newsagent's and get one of those big, heavy newspapers that

have lots and lots of sections. I really like the sports and gardening sections. Sorry, what else did you ask me?

Interviewer: I asked you whether you ever used dictionaries or encyclopedias.

Man: Oh, right. OK. I rarely use dictionaries—only when I need to look up a word for work. I use encyclopedias a lot but I always use an online one—I just find them very easy to use.

Interviewer: Yes, I know what you mean. OK. Question number three: Do you ever need to read things like manuals or guidebooks?

Man: Manuals or guidebooks? Well, guidebooks, never, because I'm not much of a traveller. Manuals, not really. I usually get my son to help me with anything that needs a manual. For example, last week we bought a new computer, and I asked my son if he could help me get connected to the Internet. He flicked through the manual once, and five minutes later I was checking my email!

Interviewer: You just answered my next question! Question number four! I was going to ask you if you had a computer at home. So, let's go to question five then. What do you use your computer for?

Man: Oh, I couldn't live without my computer! I use it for everything! As I said before, I need it to check my email and, of course, I use it to send emails.

Interviewer: OK. What else do you use it for?

Man: Aside from emailing ... let's see ... I use it for downloading music and videos that have been sent to me by friends and family members. Oh, and I chat online a lot with friends. I participate as a member of an online community called Facebook®. I'm sure you've heard of it. I also read a blog that's written by a famous actor named ...