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Questions 1–4

Question	Answers	Mark
1 (a)	(at the) airport	[1]
(b)	April	[1]
2 (a)	four twenty / twenty past four / 4:20 (pm) / 16:20	[1]
(b)	Rest (more)	[1]
3 (a)	(a) storm	[1]
(b)	18B / eighteen B	[1]
4 (a)	by (the) window	[1]
(b)	£3.50 / three <u>pounds</u> fifty	[1]

[Total: 8]

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Question 5: The Sun Trip

Question	Answers	Mark
(a)	transportation	[1]
(b)	7300 <u>kilometres</u> / 7300 <u>km</u>	[1]
(c)	mountain pass	[1]
(d)	twenty-eight / 28	[1]
(e)	webpage / web page	[1]
(f)	cloudy	[1]
(g)	swimming	[1]
(h)	mud	[1]

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Question 6: Hobbies

Question	Answers	Mark
Speaker 1	G	[1]
Speaker 2	C	[1]
Speaker 3	A	[1]
Speaker 4	E	[1]
Speaker 5	B	[1]
Speaker 6	D	[1]

[Total: 6]

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Question 7: Astronaut Pete Hardy

Question	Answers	Mark
(a)	B	[1]
(b)	B	[1]
(c)	A	[1]
(d)	B	[1]
(e)	A	[1]
(f)	C	[1]
(g)	A	[1]
(h)	A	[1]

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TRANSCRIPT
IGCSE English as a Second Language
Listening (Core)
November 2015

Questions 1–4

You will hear four short recordings. Answer each question on the line provided. Write no more than three words for each detail.

You will hear each recording twice.

Pause 00'05"

Question 1

(a) Where did Bishara first meet her friend?

(b) When is Bishara's exam?

(FX telephone message) *Hi Becky. It's Bishara here. I don't know if you remember me, but we spent one week's holiday together. We were so pleased to see each other at the hotel reception after meeting at the airport earlier that day.

Anyway, I'll be visiting Australia for a few days and thought it'd be nice to get together and go for a coffee. I was supposed to be coming in April, but I'll be sitting my English exam then. So, I'll be coming in May. Can you let me know if you're free? Just in case you've lost my email, it's Bishara20@hotmail.com. Hopefully, I'll see you soon. **

Pause 00'10"

*Repeat from * to ***

Pause 00'05"

Question 2

(a) What time did Mehdi see the doctor?

(b) What did the doctor advise Mehdi to do?

V1: young female

V2: young male

V1: Hi Mehdi. How are you? Last time we talked you weren't very well.

V2: Yeah, I went to the doctor's last week.

V1: How did that go?

V2: Well, I had to wait for nearly an hour. My appointment was at half past three in the afternoon, but I didn't go in until twenty past four.

V1: Oh dear! But what did the doctor say?

V2: Well, he took my blood pressure and asked me a lot of questions. He thinks it's nothing serious. He suggested that I should rest more. My mum also wants me to get more fresh air, so now I go for a walk in the park every day.

Pause 00'10"

*Repeat from * to ***

Pause 00'05"

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Question 3

- (a) What delayed planes flying from the west coast?
(b) Which gate will the plane to Istanbul leave from?

(FX mild distort) Because of today's heavy snowfall and poor visibility in the north of the country, all planes are expected to be delayed or cancelled. All incoming flights from the west coast are disrupted because of a storm. We would like to apologise for the inconvenience caused. Passengers waiting for the flight to Istanbul at gate 11A, your plane will now depart from 18B. Also, could all passengers for Paris please go to gate 12A as your plane is ready for boarding now?

Pause 00'10"

*Repeat from * to ***

Pause 00'05"

Question 4

- (a) Where does the customer want to sit?
(b) How much are desserts after 5pm?

V1: a waitress

V2: a customer (male voice)

V1: Welcome to the Olive Brunch. A table for one?

V2: Yes, please.

V1: OK. Where would you like to sit, Sir?

V2: Last time I had a table near the kitchen and it was really noisy so I'd rather be by the window this time, if you don't mind.

V1: Not at all. Here's the menu. Let me tell you about our special offers today. You can get a free soft drink with any pizza. Our desserts are only £2 each before 5 in the afternoon. After that they are £3.50.

V2: That sounds very good, but can I have a couple more minutes to look at the menu please?

V1: No problem. I'll come back later.

Pause 00'10"

*Repeat from * to ***

Pause 00'05"

That is the end of the four short recordings. In a moment you will hear Question 5. Now look at the questions for this part of the exam.

Pause 00'20"

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Question 5

You will hear a talk given by a journalist about an unusual race called The Sun Trip. Listen to the talk and complete the sentences below. Write one or two words, or a number, only in each gap.

You will hear the talk twice.

V1: *Today I'd like to tell you about a very new and exciting race – the Sun Trip. I was delighted when I was asked to report on the event.

It is called the Sun Trip because the contestants use various types of bikes powered by the sun. We are all very familiar with the use of solar energy for domestic use, for example to heat the house. The main aim of this race though was how we can use energy from the sun in transportation.

The race was organised by a Frenchman called Florian Bailly who cycled a solar bike from Paris to Tokyo in 2011. His journey was 12000 kilometres long and it took him 4 months. Maybe it was then that he thought of this new race which was over 7000 kilometres long, 7300 kilometres to be precise, and it took the competitors from the French town of Chambéry to the Kazakh capital city Astana.

Normally, there are quite a few check points to go through during a race. However, the Sun Trip only had two. Initially, the organisers were thinking of a small village in the Alps as the first checkpoint. Because of too many objections from the locals, they chose a mountain pass instead. It was quite a challenging place to reach on a solar bike, as it is 2188 metres above sea level. The Russian Olympic city of Sochi was the second point the competitors had to pass on their way. It depends entirely on the competitors which route they choose between the start and finish, as long as they pass through the check points.

Even though the race was in its humble beginnings, quite a few teams showed their interest - over 30 teams signed up, but only 28 took part, which was still a healthy number. The participants came from all over the world, but mainly from France, Belgium and Canada. The teams could compete in two different categories. The first category was a real race – the teams had to try and reach Astana in the shortest time. The second category was a bit unusual and it involved competing in reporting the news on the developments from the journey and also the best webpage. The team I decided to follow was a pair from the Czech Republic, Peter and Tom. They chose two reclining tricycles equipped with so-called 'reptile' panels made up from solar panel cut-offs. I was very impressed with the speed these bikes produced on sunny days. Thanks to this speed they managed to do 300 kilometres a day. In comparison, during cloudy days their average mileage dropped down to 100 kilometres a day.

Getting ready for any race is very important. The Czech pair picked swimming as a way of strengthening their muscles for the race. Most of the other contestants told me that they spent a lot of time biking in hot weather and difficult terrain.

The Czech team were on their way to winning the race, but several unexpected problems slowed them down. Whilst they had difficulty with extreme weather in general, there was one incident that lost them their first place. Their bikes got stuck in the mud after very heavy rain. As a result, they came fourth. Now they're already planning their next adventure and I wish them all the best. **

Pause 00'30"

Now you will hear the talk again.

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Repeat from * to **
Pause 00'30"

That is the end of the talk. In a moment you will hear Question 6. Now look at the questions for this part of the exam.

Pause 00'25"

Question 6

You will hear six people talking about hobbies. For speakers 1 to 6, choose from the list, A to G, which opinion each speaker expresses. Write the letter in the box. Use each letter only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

You will hear the recording twice.

***Speaker 1**

V1 [female, early 20s]

When I was about 12 years old, I got injured during my skiing holiday and it took me a long time to recover. First, I spent one month in hospital and then I had to stay at home for a further 3. I certainly had a lot of time to relax. My friends often came to visit me to cheer me up because I was really bored. Then my cousin from Mexico came to visit and taught me how to paint. I've kept it up and it developed into my new passion.

Pause 00'10"

Speaker 2

V2 [male, late teens]

When I was younger, I always wanted to have a special hobby: something that nobody else was doing. I felt that I always copied my friends, but it wasn't really what I wanted. However, in the end I became interested in the same thing that my friends were into. I don't know what happened, but one day we were talking about climbing and I became fascinated by it instantly. I was really keen to research it more. Now I'm even thinking of becoming a mountain guide.

Pause 00'10"

Speaker 3

V3 [female, 30s]

When I was a teenager, my friends and I shared a lot of hobbies. But, with time, I lost interest in all of them. I was simply searching for something unusual, not just going swimming, or collecting something like everybody else. I spent ages thinking about what I really liked doing. I also talked to my friends to get some recommendations, but it didn't really help. The idea of kite surfing came to me totally unexpectedly and it was the perfect hobby just for me. As my uncle always says: 'Good things come to people who wait'.

Pause 00'10"

Speaker 4

V4 [male, mid-teens]

I live in a big city, but my family and I have always spent our summer holidays in the country. We tend to rent a cottage far away from cities and tourists. Normally, we ask our friends for recommendations where to go. However, we always make sure that the place is somewhere near a forest, or in the mountains, as my father and I love observing the wildlife around us. I fell in love with this activity at an early age. It came as no surprise to anybody as I've always had loads of pets at home.

Pause 00'10"

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Speaker 5

V5 [female, late 30s]

My best friend has recommended a lot of hobbies to me over the years, but none of them were really for me. I tried almost all of them, but every time it ended up in disaster. I remember one time I was trying out martial arts and I broke my wrist. I needed a lot of physiotherapy and my physiotherapist suggested some classes in yoga after my treatment finished. Whilst it helped me to get my flexibility back, above all, what it really taught me was how to release tension and take things more slowly. Signing up for those sessions is something I'll never regret.

Pause 00'10"

Speaker 6

V6 [male, late 40s]

At first I started jogging just as a hobby, but then I began to notice that it had a positive effect on my stamina. I didn't get so breathless while running to catch the bus in the morning. I just loved the way I felt so fit. I recommended this to my best friend and he loved it too. In the past I thought my hobby would be something to make me more relaxed, as I tend to get quite tense at times, but no – the active way is the way for me.

Pause 00'20"

Now you will hear the six speakers again.

Repeat from * to **

Pause 00'30"

That is the end of question 6. In a moment you will hear Question 7. Now look at the questions for this part of the exam.

R1 Question 7

You will hear a radio presenter talking to an astronaut called Pete Hardy about his career. Listen to the interview and look at the questions. For each question choose the correct answer, A, B or C and put a tick (☑) in the appropriate box.

You will hear the interview twice.

V1: a radio presenter (female, 30s)

V2: Pete Hardy (male early 40s)

V1: *In the studio today I've got Pete Hardy with me and I'll be asking him about being an astronaut. Pete, tell us how it all happened for you.

V2: Well... as a boy, I watched a movie about an alien and I dreamt about going into space, but then I grew up and my dreams changed and eventually I became a helicopter pilot. The deciding moment, though, came when I got more involved in space travel as a test pilot. Suddenly, there were more opportunities and that's when I learnt about a training programme for new astronauts run by the European Space Agency.

V1: Was it easy to get onto the programme?

V2: No. I was lucky to get through the selection process. You really need a lot of stamina to cope with the physical and psychological side of things. Nothing can prepare you for that. When I first applied, there were about 10 000 other applicants. Then, only a quarter were invited for the first round of tests. It's well known that the tests are very comprehensive and more than 50% of applicants fail their medical tests alone, but we all expected that.

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V1: Can you tell us about your experience of the training that followed?

V2: After I was accepted, I had to move to the Training Centre on my own and leaving my family behind was very tough for me. The lessons in spacecraft engineering were very demanding too, although my previous pilot training helped a bit. We also had to have a working knowledge of Russian to operate the spacecraft that took us to the Space Station. When it came to language learning, that was what I had most trouble dealing with.

V1: When you were in space, were you ever afraid of anything?

V2: We rehearsed everything on Earth before take-off; even scary scenarios such as putting out a fire inside a spacecraft. Personally, I found my first real walk in space terrifying. But that was nothing compared to the time when I was doing maintenance outside the craft and my helmet had a leak, but luckily, I managed to get back safely.

V1: Incredible! When you're in space, do you ever have time to enjoy yourself?

V2: Oh yes, plenty. For me the best thing was staying in contact with my loved ones. You can make a phone call every day from the Space Station. Once a month there's also a delivery of real fruit and vegetables, and to be honest, I never saw my colleagues more delighted than when that happened. There was also new technology and equipment to be tested. For me, analysing the results was quite a thrill too, you know.

V1: Do you ever get a strange sensation because of the speed the Space Station travels at?

V2: Not inside the spacecraft. There are only a few windows, and you certainly can't open them to look out. Sometimes when you wake up after sleeping upright, you can feel as if you're going to lose your balance. But when you're floating around in the cabin, you don't get this sensation at all.

V1: This all reminds me of a film I saw a few years ago.

V2: You mean the movie 'Gravity'? Yes, I went to see it with a colleague who really loved it. I thought that it captured the aspects of life on board really well. My wife told me that if she'd seen it before I went to the Space Station, she wouldn't have let me go after seeing all the gripping scenes.

V1: So, you've been into space now. What's next?

V2: I've been approached by a TV channel to participate in a series of short films about life in space. We're starting next month after I've taken some time off with my wife and sons. I'm also thinking about putting all my experiences down on paper. It's been such an adventure that I want to share it with others. Not right away though.

V1: Thank you, Pete and we wish you all the best.**

Pause 00'20"

R1 Now you will hear the interview again.

*Repeat from * to ***

Pause 00'30"

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That is the end of Question 7, and of the exam.

In a moment your teacher will collect your papers. Please check that you have written your name, centre number and candidate number on the front of your question paper. Remember, you must not talk until all the papers have been collected.

Teacher, please collect all the papers.