

Listening scripts

Review Test: Units 1–2

Jason Hi, Rosie. Did you have a good summer vacation? Where did you go?

Rosie I went to Mexico with my parents. But I didn't really enjoy it. It was a bit of a nightmare actually.

Jason Oh, no. Why?

Rosie Well, for a start my dad had booked a really nice hotel, but when we arrived someone had made a mistake with our booking. They had booked our rooms the week before, so when we arrived there were no rooms free.

Jason Oh, no. So where did you stay?

Rosie We stayed in a hotel nearby. It was OK, but the rooms were too small and it wasn't comfortable enough.

Jason What was the food like?

Rosie Well, it wasn't very good at the hotel, but there were some nice restaurants. Most of the time we enjoyed the food, but one day we were all sick because the day before we had eaten in a small restaurant near the beach. I think the food wasn't cooked properly.

Jason Was the weather good?

Rosie Yes, that was the best thing about the whole vacation. It was hot and sunny most of the time – it only rained a few times.

Jason So did you take lots of photos?

Rosie Well, yes and no. Unfortunately my digital camera broke. I was sitting by the swimming pool one day and it started to rain. I quickly ran into the hotel and I forgot that I'd left my camera on the table. When I went back for it later it was all wet and it wasn't working. It was a shame because I'd taken a lot of very nice photos. Anyway, how about you? How was your summer?

Jason Oh, it was very interesting. I went on an Amazon adventure with my family. We spent a week on a boat going down the Amazon River. It was amazing. It's such a big river, and the rainforest is beautiful!

Rosie Wow! Was it hot?

Jason Yes, it was very hot. I loved it, but my parents found it a bit too hot, and my little brother was quite ill one day because he'd spent too much time in the hot sun.

Rosie Did you swim in the river?

Jason I really wanted to swim in the river, but my parents said I wasn't allowed to. They thought it was too dangerous.

Rosie And what about animals? Did you see a lot of animals?

Jason Well, there were a lot of insects, especially at night! Look at the bites on my arms!

Rosie Oh, dear. But did you see any monkeys? I'd love to see monkeys in the rainforest!

Jason Well, my parents and my little brother saw monkeys one day. Unfortunately I was sleeping at the time.

Rosie Oh, no!

Jason I know. I hadn't slept well the night before because of all the insects, so I was very tired. But they took some photos for me, on my camera. Look, I'll show you ...
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Review Test: Units 3–4

Laura Hi, Anna. Is your mom OK now?

Anna Yes, thanks. She's back home and she's fine.

Laura Oh, good. How did the accident happen?

Anna She was reaching up to get something off a high shelf. She stood on a chair to try and reach it, and she fell off. It was silly, really. She should have waited until my dad got home.

Laura Yeah, my mom's always telling me I shouldn't stand on chairs to reach things. Anyway, it's a good thing that you got home and called 911. I don't know what I would do if I found someone injured like that.

Anna Well, I did a First Aid course last year, so I learnt all about what you should do if you find someone who's ill or injured. The first thing you should do is stay calm and not panic. It isn't easy, but it's really the most important thing.

Laura Yes, I think I'd probably panic!

Anna Then you should call for help as quickly as possible. You should call 911 immediately – don't wait, because the person might get worse.

Laura Right. Then what should you do? Should you move the person, put them on a bed or something?

Anna No, you shouldn't move them unless it's absolutely necessary. You might make things worse, you know, if they've broken their leg or hurt their back.

Laura Yeah, I guess so. Should you give them a drink, or something to eat?

Anna No, you shouldn't. Some people think that giving them food or drink will make them feel better, but that isn't true. It's best if they don't have anything to eat or drink. It might make them sick.

Laura What about keeping them warm?

Anna Well, if they feel cold, you should put something over them, to keep them warm. But of course if they have a temperature you shouldn't put anything over them – that would make them too hot.

Laura I'd be worried that if I gave the wrong treatment, I'd make them worse.

Anna Well, the most important thing isn't to give treatment, it's just to keep them calm until the ambulance arrives. Tell them not to worry, tell them it's going to be OK.

Laura Well, I think I'd better do a First Aid course too. And I think you did a great job!

Anna Thanks.

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Review Test: Units 5–6

- Jessica** Hey – have you heard the gossip?
Lucy Gossip? What gossip?
Jessica Well, Danny and Olivia are going out each other.
Lucy What Danny, who lives near you? And Olivia?
Jessica Yeah.
Lucy Really? But I thought Olivia liked that boy she met on vacation? What was his name? It was Steve, wasn't it?
Jessica Yes. Well, she did like Steve, but that was last year. She's forgotten about him now.
Lucy Really? And I thought that Danny was going out with that other girl, what was her name? She was called Maggie, wasn't she?
Jessica No, he broke up with Maggie two months ago. It seems that Olivia and Danny really like each other. Someone saw them in a restaurant together last night. You know, that restaurant where the pizzas are great. And apparently he gave her some red roses!
Lucy Really? I think roses are so much more romantic than chocolates, aren't they? Anyway, I have some gossip for you.
Jessica Yes?
Lucy Well, you know Susie's brother, Tim?
Jessica Oh, yes. I know Tim. He works in New York, doesn't he?
Lucy That's right. Well, you know he met that girl Sophie in Canada, didn't he?
Jessica Yes, Sophie's really nice. They got engaged last summer, didn't they? That was so romantic! They're getting married next year, aren't they?
Lucy Well, not any more.
Jessica Oh, no. Really? What happened?
Lucy Well, it seems they had a big argument last week, and now she wants to break up with him.
Jessica Oh, that's a shame. Tim will be really upset, won't he?
Lucy Well, maybe not. Someone told me that Tim might have met someone else, and that's what the argument was about. That's why Sophie wants to break up with him.
Jessica Really? Oh, I doubt that's true. He's really nice. I don't think he'd do that. There must be some mistake.
Lucy I don't think so.
Jessica Well, I suppose it's better to break up before you get married, isn't it? That's better than getting married and then getting divorced a year later.
Lucy Yes, I suppose so.
Jessica Anyway, have you heard about Mr. Collins?
Lucy What, Mr. Collins, our math teacher? He's lovely!
Jessica I know. I really like him. Well, apparently he's met someone and they're getting married next month!
Lucy That's a bit sudden, isn't it? When did they get engaged?
Jessica Two days ago.
Lucy Really? How long has he known her?
Jessica Well, it seems they've only known each other for two months. They met online. You now, through an online dating agency.
Lucy Really?
Jessica Yes. Someone told me it's going to be a small wedding, with only about 50 guests. And they're going to Mexico for their honeymoon.
Lucy Really? And who is the woman?
Jessica No one knows. We think she might be a teacher, like him. But no one has met her, and I don't think anyone has even seen her. She's a complete mystery!
Lucy Oh, how romantic!

Review Test: Units 7–8

- Presenter** Hello and welcome to *The Technology Show*. Today we have author Doug Spencer on the show. Doug has just written a book called *Technology in your Pocket*. Tell me, Doug, What's the book about?
Doug It's about the technology we carry around with us every day – when it was invented, how we use it, and the relationship we have with it.
Presenter So, what kind of technologies does it cover?
Doug Well, the laptop computer is one of the most important, of course. Personal computers first became available in the 1970s, and the idea of a computer you could carry around with you followed close behind. The first laptop computers were sold in stores in 1975.
Presenter And what were they like? I guess they were quite big and heavy.
Doug Yes, they were, and they had very little memory, so you could only store small amounts of information on them. And it's interesting that people at that time, in the 1970s, thought that they would never be very popular.
Presenter And now, of course, we all have them. What other things can you tell us about?
Doug Well, the cell phone is another example of a technology that we now all carry around with us. We've all seen photos of the first cell phones, in the 1970s, and how big they were. Again, as with the laptop computer, no one predicted that they would become quite so popular. Everyone thought that only a few business people and perhaps people in the army would be interested in using these technologies.
Presenter That's strange isn't it?
Doug Yes. And then of course there are portable music players.
Presenter You mean, like MP3 players?
Doug Yes. The first one, the Sony Walkman, was first built in 1978. Apparently it was designed for the chairman of Sony, who wanted to listen to music while he was flying to and from Japan. Now it's unusual to see a young person on an airplane without headphones in their ears.
Presenter That's all really interesting. So now we have all this technology we can carry around with us – phones, computers, music players, movie players. What's next?
Doug Well, I think what we're now working towards is having just one piece of 'pocket technology'. Already we have phones that are also music players or movie players. I think in the next twenty years we'll replace all our different technologies with just one, which will do everything we need.
Presenter And how has our relationship with technology changed?
Doug Well, our relationship with technology has really changed over the last thirty years. At first these gadgets were something new and different – they were used for entertainment or fun, but they weren't part of our everyday lives. But now we use them to help us live our day to day lives, to the extent that we would find it difficult to survive without technology. We use our cell phones all the time, as our main form of communication with others. We use our cell phones or laptops to do shopping, find our way around a city, or do our work. We also use them as personal 'brains', to remember names and addresses and things we have to do today. So technology has really become a central part of our lives, and it's difficult to imagine life without it.
Presenter Doug, thank you very much for coming on the show. And now we ...