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Listening

1 **Track 10 Listen to a conversation about the press and journalism and choose the correct answer.**

- 1** Alisha
a has always wanted to be a journalist.
b has only worked for newspapers.
c studied journalism at university.
- 2** While she was working on a national newspaper, Alisha says that
a there were some disadvantages.
b she was the most important journalist.
c she only wrote about politics.
- 3** Alisha believes
a there won't be print newspapers in the future.
b most news apps are very good.
c not everyone likes using an app to read the news.
- 4** According to Alisha
a social media will become a reliable source of news in the future.
b everyone believes what they read on social media.
c you can trust the news in the press.
- 5** Alisha thinks young journalists
a have to focus on their writing skills above all.
b should listen to what people are telling them.
c need to find news stories that no one else has found.

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Vocabulary

2 Choose the correct answer.

- 0** You need a camera if you want to practise _____.
a photography **b** design **c** sculpture
- 1** The artist created a wonderful ____ of some animals in a field.
a piece **b** image **c** portrait
- 2** I love the main ____ in this book. She's got a great personality.
a plot **b** author **c** character
- 3** The ____ is the most important journalist at a newspaper.
a editor **b** designer **c** novelist
- 4** The artist has his ____ on display in a local gallery.
a style **b** exhibition **c** work

- 5** Some people go online and use a(n) ____ to read the news.
a app **b** magazine **c** paparazzi
- 6** I looked at the ____ in the newspaper to find out what the weather would be like the next day.
a advert **b** headline **c** forecast
- 7** ____ news tells you about the things that have happened in your community.
a National **b** Local **c** Online
- 8** The Mona Lisa is a famous ____ by Leonardo da Vinci. It shows a woman from a rich Italian family.
a landscape **b** scene **c** portrait
- 9** ____ is the design and creation of buildings and monuments.
a Architecture **b** Classic art **c** Impressionist art
- 10** Many painters produce their work on a(n) _____. However, some prefer to use paper.
a exhibition **b** image **c** canvas

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3 Complete the words in the text.

John Jacobs, the famous ⁰ author, has announced his new book: a ¹ book on the life of Vincent Van Gogh. The ² title of it is *The Life of a Dutch Artist*. On the ³ cover, there is a self-portrait of Van Gogh, which he painted in 1889. There are ten ⁴ pages in the book. The first of these is about Van Gogh's life as a child. Jacobs will ⁵ publish his new book in September.

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Grammar

4 Complete the dialogue with the words below.

allowed ~~are~~ can't had have will

- A:** ⁰ Are you able to come out tonight? I've got tickets for that art exhibition you wanted to see. It starts at 7 p.m.
- B:** I think I ¹ _____ be able to go, but can I check with my parents first? They ² _____ to go out an hour ago to speak with my teachers at school. I've failed all my exams.
- A:** Sorry to hear that. Will you be ³ _____ to go? Aren't your parents angry with you?

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- B:** I don't know. If I ⁴ _____ go, you can give the ticket to your sister.
- A:** That's a great idea. I ⁵ _____ to go back home and do my homework now. Just let me know about the exhibition later.

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5 Complete the second sentence with the correct form of the word in bold so that it means the same as the first one.

- 0** Emre couldn't ride a bike when he was a child. **ABLE**
Emre wasn't able to ride a bike when he was a child.
- 1** It isn't necessary to buy a newspaper. You can read it online. **HAVE**
You _____ buy a newspaper. You can read it online.
- 2** He took all the photos he wanted. **MANAGE**
He _____ take all the photos he wanted.
- 3** We aren't allowed to talk during a test. **MUST**
We _____ talk during a test.
- 4** It was necessary for her to write a review of the book. **HAVE**
She _____ write a review of the book.
- 5** Can you visit the art exhibition with me at the weekend? **WILL**
_____ visit the art exhibition with me at the weekend?

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Reading

6 Read the article and answer the questions.

Frida Kahlo – a life

With her typical style of bright colours with a mysterious – but very realistic – atmosphere, the paintings of Frida Kahlo are some of the most recognisable works of art of the previous century.

Frida was born in Mexico in 1907 to a German father and a Mexican mother. As a child, she enjoyed art and photography, and she used to draw and take photographs almost every day. When she was six, she caught a virus called polio. She recovered, but she found it difficult to walk for the rest of her life. Despite this, her father encouraged her to play sport at school. She played football and frequently went

swimming. When she left school, she got a job as an engraver. This involves drawing images on hard materials such as stone or glass. Her life was soon to change, however. When she was 18, she was involved in a terrible accident. Her family thought she would die, and she spent many months in hospital. During this time, she started to paint. Frida believed this would help her get better. She recovered, and one of her first paintings that she created in hospital was called *Self-Portrait in a Velvet Dress*. This shows Frida, and in the background there is the sea, whose waves are very big and violent. Art experts believe these waves represent the pain she was in while creating the work. In fact, Frida was in constant pain from the accident until she died. Throughout her career, Frida painted 55 portraits of herself, including *Self-Portrait with Thorn Necklace and Hummingbird* from 1940. This powerful painting was made during an unhappy time in her life. She was still in a lot of pain and her marriage had finished. It shows Frida alone in the jungle. Behind her is a cat and a monkey and she is wearing a very uncomfortable necklace that has a tiny bird on it. She also painted landscapes showing the beauty of her country. Frida died in 1954 at the age of 47. During her life, she didn't receive the level of fame that she has today. She didn't sell many of her paintings, and she only had one exhibition in Mexico. Today, however, her paintings sell for millions of pounds, and she often has works on display in many of the most important museums and art galleries around the world.

- 0** What is the typical style of Frida Kahlo's paintings?
They are bright, mysterious and realistic.
- 1** What did Frida like doing when she was a child?

- 2** How did Frida's life change when she was 18?

- 3** How is Frida's pain represented in one of her first paintings?

- 4** How many self-portraits did Frida Kahlo paint?

- 5** Where does the text say you can see some of Frida Kahlo's paintings today?

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Language Functions

7 Complete the dialogue with the phrases below. There is one extra phrase.

as far as I could be wrong if you ask me
more interesting on the one hand ~~personally~~
seems

A: Hey, Leroy! What do you think of this painting?

B: ⁰ Personally, I think it's awful, don't you?

A: Well, I actually think it's
¹ _____ than the other paintings we've seen in the exhibition.

B: Really? ² _____ I can see, it doesn't mean anything at all? What is it anyway?

A: ³ _____, but I think it's supposed to show happiness.

B: Happiness? It ⁴ _____ to me that the artist didn't even know what he was trying to say with this painting. I think he was just angry. ⁵ _____, he simply isn't a very good artist.

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