

Aim High 5 Listening Test 3

[3.12] Listen to a radio programme about inventions.

1 Tick the 5 methods of flight the speakers mention.

- a) kite ____
- b) glider ____
- c) helicopter ____
- d) balloon ____
- e) airship ____
- f) plane ____
- g) Concorde ____
- h) space rocket ____

2 Choose the correct answers.

- 1 In China in the 5th century, ...
 - a) people weren't interested in flight.
 - b) people first learned to make kites.
 - c) people tried using kites to fly.
- 2 Leonardo da Vinci ...
 - a) designed and made several flying machines.
 - b) made a helicopter.
 - c) designed some flying machines.
- 3 The Wright brothers ...
 - a) tried flying with gliders before they made their first powered flight.
 - b) made the first flight in a glider.
 - c) didn't manage to design a glider that could fly.
- 4 Louis Bleriot ...
 - a) flew across the Atlantic.
 - b) flew across the English Channel.
 - c) worked with the Wright brothers.
- 5 Charles Lindbergh ...
 - a) crashed in the Atlantic.
 - b) flew across the Atlantic.
 - c) helped Bleriot fly across the Atlantic.

3 Answer the questions.

- 1 In which century did Leonardo da Vinci design flying machines?
- 2 When did people experiment with hydrogen and hot-air balloons?
- 3 In what year did the Wright brothers make their famous flight?
- 4 How far was the Wright brothers' first flight?
- 5 How long did the first flight across the Atlantic take?

4 Answer the questions. Use full sentences.

- 1 When did the Chinese have problems with their kite flight?
- 2 What were balloons used for in the American Civil War?
- 3 What are the problems with balloon flight?
- 4 What was the big challenge for the Wright brothers?
- 5 What happened immediately after the Wright brothers' flight?