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TAPESCRIPITS

PART A: CHOICE ITEMS

ACTIVITY 1

Read items 1a and 2a, listen and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for each item.

Hey, it's me, your cell phone. We need to talk about something. Something serious. I know you love me. I know you like using me wherever you are. But I feel like this isn't working out when you're driving. And I know you may think it's possible to focus both on me and the road, but I just don't feel the same way. I think we should spend time away from each other when you're driving. It's for the best. Visit: stoptextstopwrecks.org. A message brought to you by the National Highway Traffic Safety Organisation, Project Yellow Light and The Ad Council.

Listen again and check your answers.

Read items 3a and 4a, listen and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for each item.

What's most effective at controlling mosquitoes that can carry West Nile Virus? You may be surprised to learn that it's getting rid of standing water and using least-toxic larval control, not street spraying of pesticides that are hazardous to kids and pets. Find out why and what everyone can do to work together now to control mosquitoes and the spread of West Nile Virus and protect our kids and pets from hazardous pesticides.

Listen again and check your answers.

ACTIVITY 2

Read items 5a-7a, listen and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for each item.

So, it is probably the case that all human populations have about a 15% of the population is prone to alcoholism. And yet alcoholism rates that we observe in different countries are quite variable. So, Russia has very high alcoholism. Italy has very low rates of alcoholism. There has got to be some explanation for that. And it's not genetic, it is cultural. And this is where we get to this idea of northern versus southern drinking cultures. This is referring to Europe. But in anthropological circles they talk about, for instance northern drinking cultures, they drink to get drunk. Drinking is a separate activity, it's something you do. You just drink, it's separate from meal taking and other things. Public drunkenness is not only not frowned upon but may be considered heroic or manly like it's something guys do. Drinking alcohol is considered taboo. So, children are not allowed to do it and it's kind of forbidden. There are strict rules about who is allowed to drink. And those seem to encourage binge drinking and unhealthy drinking patterns.

Listen again and check your answers.

Read items 8a-10a, listen and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for each item.

If you look at southern European cultures, they drink more wines and beers, so lower alcoholic beverages, and it's all about the meal. You only drink alcohol at the meal table. You'll drink at lunch and dinner but you only drink at the table. And it's part of life. It is just part of what one does when one's having a meal. Kids are included. So children get a little bit of wine at the table. And so kids learn that alcohol is just a normal part of life. And drunkenness is frowned upon so people who drink to the point of being visibly drunk are disapproved of. So I learned

this when I... – my ex-wife is half Italian and I spent a lot of time in Italy. And you know, I learned that you drink wine at the table and you don't take your wine away after dinner and go sit in your room and read a book and drink a glass of wine. So, that seems to help. So incorporating alcohol in a healthy way into your daily life in a communal setting, setting of a meal seems to help people integrate it in a way that it doesn't become a danger.

ACTIVITY 3

Read items 11a-14a, listen ONCE and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for each item.

Announcer: Last summer, after weeks of confinement at home because of the COVID lockdown, our reporter Kevin Coombes got a taste of freedom and discovered a very strong urge to go shopping – any kind of shopping!

Speaker: The really exciting development for me was when a slightly broader range of shops opened. In a street not far from my apartment, the first shopkeeper back in business was the owner of a military bookstore. I couldn't really see anything I wanted, but the strength of the urge to be a consumer again took me by surprise. I walked out of the shop after a happy 15 minutes of browsing without touching, proud owner of an aircraft manual called *Bulgarian Fighter Planes, 1919-1948*. I had always clung to the view that no knowledge is ever entirely wasted. But no book has ever come closer to undermining that belief. I take some comfort from the fact that the book could help me if I ever decided to enter a TV quiz show. The book sits beside me as I type, a souvenir of the day we began to emerge from confinement.

ACTIVITY 4

Gardens in a city

Read items 15a-17a. Listen ONCE and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for each item.

I took a short ride from UN headquarters down to the East Village neighbourhood of New York City to discover a secret weapon in the battle to make the Big Apple fairer and more sustainable – community gardens. I headed to the beautiful Bijoux 6BC Community Garden. 6 is for East 6th St, the location of the garden, B is for botanical, a place to find native and immigrant plants, a bit like people who live in the area, and C is for community, the people who keep the garden alive.

Even as we head into winter, the garden is still lush with plants and trees. It took me on a journey of discovery, stumbling upon secluded pagodas, sculptures, a pond full of koi carp and even a treehouse. I was there to meet Alex Muñoz, assistant director of community engagement at Green Thumb, a division of New York's Municipal Parks and Recreation Department, responsible for registered community gardens. He gave me a sense of what they bring to the city.

Read items 18a-20a. Listen ONCE and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for each item.

These gardens of ours provide a number of really useful and unique benefits. I think paramount is a sense of community, of community ownership and community engagement that they provide. They're meeting points for people from different walks of life who live in the neighbourhood. For me it all goes back to community building and building a sense of civic engagement and a sense of connecting with not just the neighbours you meet but with the wider collective that's there. We try to encourage people to think of themselves as stewards of the gardens. No-one is any particular owner of any particular Green Thumb garden, but they're all stewarding it and maintaining it and helping care for it and managing it for the next generation. And I've seen these gardens link different neighbours together in a way that other civic spaces just don't allow for. Sort of more intimate conversations or interactions, or just a shared spirit of sweating together on a hot sunny day and breaking ground and gardening together, that you just don't get from other interactions.

PART B - SHORT ANSWERS

ACTIVITY 1

Read items 1b-5b. Listen and fill in the gaps.

- 1b.** So, we know why we're here. Six weeks until election day. But I'm not here to campaign for any candidate— I'm here today to talk about why voting matters. And why we all need to get registered. Sadly, though, over the past decade in election after election, I have traveled across the country, telling folks the same thing. Voting is a fundamental right. I've said it again and again. It's our way to have a say in the issues we care about. It's how the democracy works. It's our state and our children's future. And I'm not the only one who is traveling around talking about this issue. Thousands of people, like many of you, work your hearts out to get people to the polls on election day. But after all that effort, here is where we end up, still, in presidential elections, only about half of eligible people bother. And right now, one in five eligible people in this country are not even registered. So here we are. I have to tell you, I've been asking myself, what's going on?
- 2b.** For me this is personal. You know, when I think about those 62 million girls that aren't in school, I think about myself, I think about my daughters, because quite frankly, all these girls, these are our girls. And I think about where I would be in my life if I didn't work hard in school and have the opportunity to go to college and then onto law school. I wouldn't be here. So, I think it's imperative and it is part of my passion and my mission to make sure that every girl on the planet has the same opportunity that I've had, that my daughters have. And I want to make sure that all of you here in the United States are taking advantage of the opportunities that you have as well.
- 3b.** It's time for a wake-up call for all of us. It's time for us to be really honest with ourselves about how we got here. Because the truth is, our kids didn't do this to themselves. Our kids don't decide what's served to them at school or whether there's time for gym or recess. Our kids don't choose to make food products with tons of sugar and sodium in super-sized portions, and then to have those products marketed to them everywhere they turn. And no matter how much they beg for pizza, fries and candy, ultimately, they are not, and should not be, the ones calling the shots at dinnertime. We're in charge. We make these decisions.
- 4b.** We had just finished taking the girls to a soccer game and we were stopping to get ice cream and had told the secret service to stand back because we were trying to be normal, trying to go in. There was a line and once again, when I'm just a black woman, I notice that white people don't even see me. They're not even looking at me. And a white woman cuts right in front of us to order. Like she didn't even see us. And the girl behind the counter almost took her order. So, I stepped up and I said "Excuse me. You don't see us four people standing right here, you just jumped in line?" She didn't know it was me. All she saw was a black person, or a group of black people. Or maybe she didn't even see that because we were that invisible.
- 5b.** And finally, I want to thank the leaders and the congregation of Regina Mundi for hosting us in this sacred space today. It has been more than three decades, but those bullet holes in the ceiling, this broken altar still stand as vivid reminders of the history that unfolded here. And you all know the story, how 35 years ago this month, a group of students planned a peaceful protest to express their outrage over a new law requiring them to take courses in Afrikaans. Thousands of them took to the streets, intending to march to Orlando Stadium. But when security forces opened fire, some fled here to this church. The police followed, first with tear gas, and then with bullets. And as the Archbishop noted, that June day wasn't the first, or the last, time that this church stood in the crosscurrents of history. When the congregation sang their hymns, activists would make plans, singing the locations and times of secret meetings. Church services, and even funerals, often became anti-Apartheid rallies. And as President Mandela once put it, Regina Mundi became a world-wide symbol of the determination of our people to free themselves.

ACTIVITY 2

Read items 6b-10b. Listen ONCE and fill in the gaps.

I've just discovered this wonderful website, "Letters of note", which is a collection of fascinating letters written by all kinds of people, famous, important or just ordinary. I'll share some of them with you.

6b. This was written by Nelson Mandela to his daughters. "Zindzi says her heart is sore because I'm not at home and wants to know when I will come back. I do not know my darlings when I will return. You will remember that in the letter I wrote in 1966 I told you that the white judge said I should stay here for the rest of my life. It may be long before I come back. It may be soon. Nobody knows when it will be. Not even the judge who said I should be kept here but I am certain that one day I will be back at home to live in happiness with you until the end of my days."

7b. This one was written by Steve Jobs to the Board of Directors of Apple computers and the Apple Community:

I have always said if there ever came a day when I could no longer meet my duties and expectations as Apple's CEO, I would be the first to let you know. Unfortunately, that day has come. As far as my successor goes, I strongly recommend that we execute our succession plan and name Tim Cook as CEO of Apple. I have made some of the best friends of my life at Apple, and I thank you all for the many years of being able to work alongside you. Steve

8b. This one was written by Richard Burton to Elizabeth Taylor in 1973.

You're off, by God! I can barely believe it since I am so unaccustomed to anybody leaving me. But reflectively I wonder why nobody did so before. All I care about – honest to God – is that you are happy, and I don't much care who you'll find happiness with. I mean, as long as he's a friendly bloke and treats you nice and kind. If he doesn't, I'll come at him with a hammer and clinker. Never forget that underneath that veneer of raucous language is a remarkable and puritanical LADY ... Try and look after yourself. Much love.

9b. This one was written in America in 1861 from a man to his wife.

My very dear wife. The indications are very strong that we shall move in a few days perhaps tomorrow and lest I should not be able to write you again I feel impelled to write a few lines. Our movement may be one of severe conflict and death. If it is necessary that I should die for my Country I am ready. I know how American Civilization now leans upon the triumph of the Government and how great a debt we owe to those who went before us through the blood and suffering of the Revolution; and I am willing, perfectly willing to lay down all my joys in this life to help maintain this Government and to pay that debt.

10b. And this is one of my favourites, an excerpt from "Letter to Daniel" by Fergal Keane.

It is six o'clock in the morning. You are asleep cradled in my left arm, and I am learning the art of one-handed typing. There is a soft quiet in our apartment. Since you've arrived, days have melted into night and back again and we are learning a new grammar, a long sentence whose punctuation marks are feeding and winding and nappy changing and these occasional moments of quiet.