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Secondary 3 English Language
Listening
Question Booklet

Instructions:

1. There are 8 pages in this Question Booklet.
2. Time allowed is approximately 25 minutes.
3. Do not write anything in this Question Booklet.
4. **Answer all questions in the Answer Booklet provided.**

Part 1

You are doing a report on the Plastic Bag Debate for your Integrated Humanities class. Your teacher plays you two radio interviews about using fewer plastic bags.

Listen to the interviews and answer the questions. The interviews will be played twice. Do as much as you can the first time and answer all questions the second time. You now have 30 seconds to read the questions.

1. The presenter says Hong Kong was turning into a plastic bag paradise. The speaker's tone is _____.
 - A. positive
 - B. negative
 - C. neutral
 - D. none of the above
2. How many bags were used in Hong Kong each year?
 - A. 1 million
 - B. 3 billion
 - C. 100 billion
 - D. 8 billion
3. In China, people use 3 billion bags _____.
 - A. per year
 - B. per day
 - C. per month
 - D. per minute
4. Jenny Wong says that plastic bags are 'toxic to the environment'. This means bags are _____.
 - A. poisonous to the environment
 - B. not harmful to the environment
 - C. made of a certain type of plastic
 - D. able to break down easily
5. Jenny Wong is _____.
 - A. the Secretary for the Environment
 - B. an Information Officer
 - C. a workshop instructor
 - D. an educator

6. Participants in the workshop need an old T-shirt to _____.
- A. make a bag
 - B. wear
 - C. tear
 - D. decorate
7. Mr. Ma is _____.
- A. an Australian official
 - B. a German official
 - C. the Secretary for the Environment
 - D. an Information Officer
8. Germany and Ireland have _____.
- A. charged consumers for bags
 - B. introduced a voluntary plan
 - C. made the plastic bag makers pay a green tax
 - D. put no measures in place
9. Denmark has _____.
- A. charged consumers for bags
 - B. introduced a voluntary plan
 - C. made the plastic bag makers pay a green tax
 - D. put no measures in place
10. Australia has _____.
- A. charged consumers for bags
 - B. introduced a voluntary plan
 - C. made the plastic bag makers pay a green tax
 - D. put no measures in place
11. The plastic bag levy in Hong Kong has _____.
- A. been very successful
 - B. been a complete failure
 - C. had little effect
 - D. increased the size of landfills

12. When Mr. Ma says ‘The public have taken the message to heart.’, he means Hong Kong people have _____ the message.
- A. not listened to
 - B. misunderstood
 - C. listened carefully to
 - D. criticised

Part 2

*You are doing a book report on a book called **Fantastic Prison Escapes**.*

Listen to Tony, the radio host, interviewing the author Sheila Boxer and answer the questions. The interview will be played twice. Do as much as you can the first time and answer all questions the second time. You now have 30 seconds to read the questions.

1. The show will not feature _____.
 - A. cake baking
 - B. a book review
 - C. bedroom decorating
 - D. an interview

2. Sheila usually writes _____.
 - A. murder mysteries
 - B. non-fiction
 - C. plays
 - D. film scripts

3. In the Second World War, more than _____ Japanese soldiers escaped at one time.
 - A. 2
 - B. 500
 - C. 100
 - D. 475

4. During war time, prisoners usually escaped by _____.
 - A. squeezing through prison bars using butter
 - B. jumping the fences with a motorcycle
 - C. digging tunnels
 - D. hijacking a helicopter

5. Sheila mentions that a prisoner and his girlfriend were 'on the run'. This means they were _____.
 - A. safe after the escape
 - B. running a race
 - C. escaping from the police
 - D. walking quickly

6. An unusual tool used to escape from prison was a _____.
 - A. helicopter
 - B. can opener
 - C. roof
 - D. motorcycle

7. The book does not mention escapes that have taken place in _____.
- A. Afghanistan
 - B. Japan
 - C. America
 - D. Australia
8. The book could also be called _____.
- A. How to Dig Tunnels
 - B. Helicopter Escapes
 - C. First World War Escapes
 - D. Real Prison Escapes

Part 3

You are doing a project on pets and your English teacher is going to read a poem to your class.

Listen to the poem and answer the questions. The poem will be read twice. Do as much as you can the first time and answer all questions the second time.

Stanza 1

1. What is unusual about the puppy? It _____.
- A. is big
 - B. is small
 - C. is a girl
 - D. can swim

Stanza 2

2. What makes this puppy different from other puppies? It _____.
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| 1. swims underneath the water | 2. swims on the surface |
| 3. has no teeth | 4. has big sharp teeth |
- A. 1 and 3
 - B. 1 and 4
 - C. 2 and 4
 - D. 2 and 3

Stanza 3

3. Why are people afraid of the puppy? It _____.
- A. has a scary smile
 - B. has no hair
 - C. has a fin
 - D. all of the above
4. The word 'grin' in stanza 3 means _____.
- A. a trap to catch something in
 - B. an opening used to show something
 - C. a friendly greeting
 - D. an unfriendly smile showing teeth

Stanza 4

5. What kind of animal is the puppy really? A _____.
- A. small dog
 - B. hairy animal
 - C. shark
 - D. goldfish

Stanzas 1 - 4

6. Words from the poem which rhyme are _____.
- A. barks and sharks
 - B. grin and fin
 - C. underneath and teeth
 - D. all of the above
7. A title for the poem could be _____.
- A. My Puppy Likes the Water
 - B. My Puppy Likes to Bark
 - C. My Frightened Puppy
 - D. My Funny, Furry Puppy
8. When the puppy is older, the owner can keep it in a _____.
- A. cage
 - B. bathtub
 - C. garden
 - D. large water tank

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