

Territory-wide System Assessment 2010
Secondary 3 English Language

Tapescript Part 3 (9EL1) & Part 2 (9EL3)

Narrator: *Listen to the dialogue between a lady and a taxi driver.*

You have 30 seconds to read the questions. *(30 seconds – music)*

The dialogue will be played twice. There are six questions in all. Do as much as you can the first time and complete all answers the second time. The dialogue will begin now.

Lady: Taxi, taxi. *(sounds: car stopping, door slamming shut)* Can you take me to the Arts Centre theatre on Queen Street?

Driver: I sure can, Miss.

Lady: Thank you. *(pause)* I'm going to the drama that's playing there. Have you heard of it?

Driver: Yes, I have. Those who've seen it say it's very good.

Lady: My friends also said they enjoyed the drama and told me that I would like it too. But it's now five thirty and the drama starts at six. I really must get there quickly. Do you think we can make it?

Driver: Well, there doesn't seem to be too much traffic right now, so I should be able to get you there in twenty minutes.

Lady: Wonderful! I was late the last time I went to a show there. They wouldn't let me in till the break.

Driver: Well, don't worry, Miss. I'll make sure you get there with plenty of time to spare.

Lady: That would be great. *(pause)* Oh no! Look up ahead. The traffic's stopped. Those flashing lights must be police cars. So many of them! I'm sure it's a terrible accident. We're not going to get to the Arts Centre on time.

Driver: Don't worry, Miss. I've been driving these streets for 10 years and I know my way around this city. I'll just take a few shortcuts.

Lady: All right, if you can get me there on time, I'll be very happy.

Driver: *(sounds: driving through traffic, car stopping)* Here you are, Miss, the Arts

Centre theatre. What did I tell you? You're ten minutes early.

Lady: Thank you very much. I was a little scared at how fast you were driving, but you won't hear me complain. How much do I owe you?

Driver: Forty-six dollars, Miss.

Lady: Okay, here's a fifty. Keep the change. I'm really grateful you were able to get me here so quickly.

Driver: Thank you, Miss.

Narrator: Now listen to the dialogue again. *{Repeat the first time only}*

Narrator: You have 30 seconds to check your answers. *(30 seconds – music)*

Narrator: This is the end of Part 2 / 3.

This is the end of the listening test.