

# Self-study audio scripts

## 1 Where are you from?

**A** Listen to two conversations. Check the countries the people talk about.

CARMEN: Hello. I'm Carmen da Silva.  
BOBBY: Nice to meet you, Carmen, I'm Robert Kincaid. Everyone calls me Bobby.  
CARMEN: Where are you from, Bobby?  
BOBBY: I'm from Sydney, Australia.  
CARMEN: Cool. I hear that's a great place.  
BOBBY: Yeah, it's fun. How about you, Carmen? Where are you from?  
CARMEN: I'm from Brazil.  
BOBBY: Where in Brazil?  
CARMEN: I'm from Porto Alegre.  
BOBBY: Oh, yeah, near Uruguay. How interesting!  
DAVE: Hey, Mario, who's that over there?  
MARIO: That's Sandra Lagna. She's in my English class.  
DAVE: Lagna?  
MARIO: L-A-G-N-A. She's from Italy, like me.  
DAVE: Wow! Is she from Milan?  
MARIO: No, she's not. She's from Florence.  
DAVE: Oh. What's she like?  
MARIO: She's really interesting. Why don't you go talk to her?

**B** Listen again. Answer the questions.

## 2 I'm really busy!

**A** Listen to Steve and Eun Ha talk after class. When does Steve do each thing? Check the days.  
EUN HA: Hi, Steve! How's it going?  
STEVE: OK, I guess. I'm just so busy in the evenings!  
EUN HA: What do you do after class?  
STEVE: Well, I go to work on Mondays and Tuesdays at 3:30.  
EUN HA: You have a job, too? Where do you work?  
STEVE: I'm a receptionist at the Kings Hotel. I work late and get home around 11:00.  
EUN HA: Wow! That's a long day!  
STEVE: Yeah. Then on Wednesdays and Fridays I take a computer class at 7:00 P.M.  
EUN HA: Another class?  
STEVE: Yeah, but that's not all. On Thursdays I work as a tour guide for the university. I start at 9:00 A.M. and work until 5:00.  
EUN HA: And you have English class with me at noon on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays! You really are busy!

**B** Listen again. Write the start times for each activity.

## 3 I want to look nicer.

**A** Listen to Josh and Anne get ready for a party. Check the clothes they mention.

JOSH: I don't know what to wear to the party.  
ANNE: Well, how about jeans and a cotton shirt?  
JOSH: No, I want to look nicer.  
ANNE: OK, what about your black pants and a silk shirt?  
JOSH: That sounds better. But it's cold tonight.  
ANNE: So, wear your wool sweater.  
JOSH: Which one?  
ANNE: The red one.  
JOSH: I like the blue one better. Do you think it looks OK?  
ANNE: Yes, the blue one is nice.  
JOSH: OK, and I'll bring my leather jacket, too.  
ANNE: Good idea. Now hurry! We're late!

**B** Listen again. What does Josh wear? Circle the correct picture.

## 4 Would you like to go?

**A** Listen to three people invite friends to events and activities. Complete the chart with the events, days, and times.

- CAM: Hey, Marla, would you like to see a kung fu movie with me on Wednesday?  
MARLA: Um . . .  
CAM: There's a 6:00 show.  
MARLA: Sorry, Cam. I don't like kung fu movies very much.  
CAM: Oh, what kind of movies do you like?  
MARLA: I prefer science fiction.
- LUCY: Chris, there's a really good jazz group playing downtown. Do you like jazz?  
CHRIS: Yes, I do. I love jazz!  
LUCY: Would you like to go?  
CHRIS: Sure! When is the show?  
LUCY: It's Thursday at 8:30.  
CHRIS: Great. Thanks a lot!
- ED: Hey, Joanna, do you like R&B?  
JOANNA: Sure. I like it a lot.  
ED: I have tickets to a concert this weekend. Would you like to go?  
JOANNA: Yes, I would. But . . . when is the concert?  
ED: It's on Saturday at 3:00.  
JOANNA: Oh no, I have to work Saturday afternoon.  
ED: Well, maybe some other time.

**B** Listen again. Do the friends accept? Check Yes or No.

## 5 A new student

**A** Listen to an interview for an article in a student newspaper. Does Akemi have a large family?

MAX: Welcome to our school, Akemi!

AKEMI: Thank you.

MAX: Akemi, are your parents living in Japan now?

AKEMI: Yes, they are. They live in Kobe.

MAX: What about the rest of your family?

AKEMI: Well, my brother and I are living here in Los Angeles. My sister is going to school in Tokyo. She is studying the piano.

MAX: Do you have any aunts and uncles?

AKEMI: Yes, I have five. They are living in Japan. But one aunt and uncle are traveling in the U.S. They are visiting me this week.

MAX: What about your cousins?

AKEMI: I have a lot of cousins in Japan. A few of my cousins are going to school in the U.S.

MAX: What are they studying?

AKEMI: They are studying English, like me!

**B** Listen again. Correct the nine mistakes in the article.

## 6 Take a quiz!

**A** Listen to the questions. Write the activities you hear.

WOMAN: Are you a couch potato? Find out now!

1. How long do you usually exercise every day?
2. Do you ever play tennis?
3. How often do you swim?
4. How often do you go to the gym?
5. Do you ever go jogging?
6. How well do you ride a bicycle?
7. How often do you do aerobics?
8. How good are you at yoga?

**B** Now take the quiz! Listen again. Circle your responses.

## 7 Computer thief!

**A** Listen to a police officer interview Mike Doe. Number the events of each day from 1 to 5 in the order they happened.

OFFICER: OK, Mr. Doe. Did you take a desktop computer from your office over the weekend?

MIKE: A desktop computer? Of course not!

OFFICER: Tell me then, how did you spend your weekend?

MIKE: Let's see. I worked at the office Saturday morning.

OFFICER: Were there other people at your office on Saturday?

MIKE: No, there weren't. I was alone. I left at 2:00.

OFFICER: What did you do after that?

MIKE: I went shopping with a friend, and then I walked home alone.

OFFICER: Was anyone at home with you?

MIKE: No. I live alone.

OFFICER: What did you do Saturday night?

MIKE: I cooked dinner at home. And then I watched TV.

OFFICER: Did you go anywhere on Sunday?

MIKE: Well, I did laundry in the morning. Then around 1:00 I spent some time with friends at the park.

OFFICER: How long were you there?

MIKE: About an hour. Then I stopped at the office for a minute.

OFFICER: You were at the office again on Sunday? Did anyone see you there?

MIKE: Yes. My boss was there.

OFFICER: Then what did you do?

MIKE: I walked home and watched some DVDs. Then I went to bed.

OFFICER: I see, Mr. Doe. You can go now. Thank you for your time.

**B** Listen again. Do you think Mike took the computer? Why or why not?

## 8 I'm lost.

**A** Listen to people ask for the location of the places below. Where do you think they are?

1. MAN: Excuse me. I'm looking for the post office.

WOMAN: There's one on the corner of Lincoln and Third Street. It's next to the hotel.

2. WOMAN: Is there a travel agency near here?

MAN: Yeah, there's one on Second Street. It's between Washington and Lincoln, across from the bank.

3. MAN: Where can I find a grocery store?

WOMAN: There's one between Lincoln and Jefferson, on First Street. It's opposite the theater.

4. WOMAN: Are there any music stores around here?

MAN: Yeah, there's one on Jefferson, between Second and Third, next to the library.

5. MAN: Where can I find a good bookstore?

WOMAN: There's one on the corner of Clinton and Third, across from a gym.

6. WOMAN: I'm looking for a laundromat. Is there one nearby?

MAN: There's one on Second Street, between the bank and a drugstore.

7. WOMAN: Is there a café in the neighborhood?

MAN: Sure, there are a couple. There's one on Third Street, across from the post office. There's another one on Lincoln, behind the theater.

8. MAN: Where can I find a pay phone?

WOMAN: There are a lot nearby. There's one on Jefferson, across from the library. There's another next to the gym on Third Street. And there's another one on Third Street next to the school.

**B** Listen again. Draw the places on the map.

## 9 I can't find her.

**A** Listen to the descriptions. Match the names with the pictures.

1. WOMAN: Hey, where's Walter?  
MAN: Who's Walter?  
WOMAN: He's a friend from yoga class.  
MAN: What does he look like?  
WOMAN: He's short, with curly brown hair. He's usually casually dressed.  
MAN: Is he the one in jeans, talking to Sarah?  
WOMAN: Oh, yes. That's Walter. Come on. I'll introduce you.
2. MAN: Hey, Joe, which woman is your girlfriend?  
JOE: Hmm. I don't see Mariela. She's wearing black pants and a white shirt. She's very classic.  
MAN: How tall is she?  
JOE: She's about medium height, with straight blond hair.  
MAN: How long is her hair?  
JOE: It's pretty long.  
MAN: Oh, there she is, on the couch. Let's go and say hello.
3. MAN: I think Marcus is here. Do you see him?  
WOMAN: Who's Marcus?  
MAN: He's my brother.  
WOMAN: What does he look like?  
MAN: He's pretty tall, with red hair. He's a little bald.  
WOMAN: What is he wearing?  
MAN: He always wears a red shirt. He's very casual.  
WOMAN: I think I see him, over there.  
MAN: Yeah, that's him!
4. WOMAN 1: I can't find Simone.  
WOMAN 2: Simone, hmm. Which one is Simone?  
WOMAN 1: She's the woman with short black hair. You talked to her before, remember?  
WOMAN 2: How tall is she?  
WOMAN 1: She's really tall and wears funky clothes.  
WOMAN 2: Oh, right! I remember. I saw her in the kitchen, talking to Joe.

**B** Listen again. What is each person's style? Write the correct word.

## 10 Have you ever . . . ?

**A** Listen to Katie and Phil interview for a job on a new adventure TV show. What countries have they visited? Write **K** for Katie and **P** for Phil.

MAN: Katie, Phil, you're both interviewing for the position of host for our new reality TV show, right?  
KATIE/PHIL: That's right/Yes.  
MAN: OK, well this job requires a lot of travel and knowledge of the world. Have you traveled to many places?  
KATIE: Yes, I have. I've been all over Asia.  
PHIL: I've been to Asia and South America.  
MAN: Katie, where have you been in Asia?  
KATIE: Well, I've been a few times: once to China, once to Thailand, and twice to Japan.  
MAN: You've never been to Korea?

KATIE: No, I haven't.

PHIL: I have. And I've been to China, Japan, and Singapore.

MAN: What about South America? Have you been to Peru?

PHIL: I've never been to Peru, but I lived in Chile for a summer when I was in high school. From there I traveled to Brazil.

MAN: Now, our show is a little crazy, so it's important for you to know how to do different kinds of things. Have you ever driven a sports car?

KATIE: A sports car? Um, no, I haven't.

PHIL: I have.

MAN: Have you ever sung karaoke?

KATIE: Yes, I went to a lot of karaoke bars in Japan.

PHIL: Uh . . . no. I don't like karaoke.

MAN: Have you eaten many different kinds of food?

PHIL: No, not really.

KATIE: Yes, I've tried many exotic foods, mostly in Thailand. I love Japanese food, too.

MAN: Have you ever been on a camping trip in the mountains?

KATIE: Yes, I hiked in China for three days, and I've been camping here in the U.S.

PHIL: Uh, no, I've never been camping.

MAN: And have you ever ridden an elephant?

KATIE: Yes, in Thailand!

PHIL: Well, no. I'm, uh, afraid of elephants.

MAN: OK, that's all, Katie and Phil. Thank you for your time. We'll be in touch with you soon.

**B** Listen again. Check the answers. Who do you think will get the job?

## 11 Plan my vacation!

**A** Listen to Charles help Maya plan her vacation. What cities has Charles visited?

MAYA: Charles, you travel a lot, right? Do you want to help me plan my vacation? I have one week.

CHARLES: Sure. But you don't have a lot of time, so I suggest you stay in one place. Then you can visit all the museums and sights.

MAYA: I see. Well, what about London?

CHARLES: London is great, but it's *very* expensive. It's also very big.

MAYA: Do you think it will be too hot?

CHARLES: No, the weather is OK there. It's pretty cool.

MAYA: OK, so how about Cairo? I've heard it's really cheap.

CHARLES: Yeah, it is, but it's so crowded! It's extremely big and it's very hot.

MAYA: Oh. Well, what about New Orleans then?

CHARLES: New Orleans is somewhat expensive, but not too much.

MAYA: Is it a big city?

CHARLES: It's fairly small, so it's pretty easy to walk around. But it's hot and humid there.

MAYA: Hmm. I can't decide. I need to think about this some more.

**B** Listen again. What is each city like? Complete the chart.

## 12 What should we take?

- A** Listen to Dana and Hilary plan for a camping trip. What problems do they talk about?
- DANA: Hey, Hilary, what else should we pack for our camping trip?
- HILARY: Well, I think it's important to have a first-aid kit.
- DANA: A first-aid kit? Really?
- HILARY: Sure. It's important to be prepared for anything. We should take a bottle of aspirin. We could get a headache.
- DANA: OK. Should we take anything for cuts? I always get cut when I camp.
- HILARY: Let's take a tube of ointment.
- DANA: Good idea.
- HILARY: What else? Oh, it's good to bring cough drops in case someone gets a cold.
- DANA: OK. And what about sore muscles? We'll be hiking a lot.
- HILARY: We should take this lotion. I've used it before and it really works.
- DANA: Should we take sunscreen? I don't want to get a sunburn.
- HILARY: Definitely.
- DANA: And what about insomnia?
- HILARY: Insomnia? I think we'll sleep very well. But I suggest a book to read, just in case.
- DANA: OK, that's it then. Wait a minute! There isn't any space for our clothes!
- B** Listen again. Match the problems to these items. Write the number in the box.

## 13 I can't eat spicy food.

- A** Listen to two people in a restaurant talk about their orders. Cross out the things they did *not* order.
- NANCY: Hmm, what would you like to eat, Warren? Look, there's sweet and sour chicken, your favorite.
- WARREN: I'm not in the mood for chicken tonight. I think I'll have the tofu curry.
- NANCY: Oh, I don't know what to order.
- WARREN: You could try the grilled tuna.
- NANCY: I'm not crazy about seafood.
- WARREN: Well, there's fried rice with vegetables.
- NANCY: That's too greasy.
- WARREN: What about the lamb kebabs? I love lamb.
- NANCY: So do I. Hmm. That sounds good. I think I'll have the kebabs, then, and a green salad.
- WARREN: Great, Nancy. Let's order. I'm starving!
- B** Listen again. Why didn't they order certain foods? For each thing you crossed out, write the reason next to it.

## 14 Chiang Mai it is!

- A** Listen to Kai and Nina talk about where to teach in Thailand. Check True or False for each statement.
- NINA: Hey, Kai, you're from Thailand, right?
- KAI: Yeah.
- NINA: You know, I've applied to teach English there and I want to ask your opinion.
- KAI: Sure, go ahead.
- NINA: What are the largest cities in Thailand?
- KAI: Well, Bangkok is the biggest, of course. There's also Chiang Mai. It's a lot smaller.
- NINA: I've heard that the area around Chiang Mai is interesting. It's near the ocean, right?

- KAI: No, it's in the mountains. It's the most famous place in Thailand for hiking.
- NINA: I love to hike! How high are the mountains?
- KAI: I think the highest is around 2,600 meters.
- NINA: Wow. That's about 8,500 feet. And how hot is it in the summer?
- KAI: Well, up in the mountains, it's not so bad, maybe 24 degrees Celsius during the day.
- NINA: What about rain?
- KAI: Summer is the rainy season, and it's wettest from June through October. Then it's drier for the rest of the year.
- NINA: And how far is Chiang Mai from Bangkok?
- KAI: Oh, about 400 miles. It takes a whole day on the train, but the countryside is beautiful.
- NINA: It sounds perfect. I think I've decided, then. Chiang Mai it is!

- B** Listen again. For the statements you marked false, write the correct information.

## 15 I can't, because . . .

- Listen to these telephone messages. There are two errors in each message. Correct the errors.
- ANNE: [recording] Hi, this is Anne. Leave me a message! [beep]
- KELLY: Hi, Anne, this is Kelly from school. We're playing baseball at 7:00 P.M. tonight. Can you find a babysitter? Please call me before 5:00 to tell me if you are going to play. Thanks! [beep]
- ROBIN: [recording] Hello, this is Robin Hall. Please leave a message after the beep. [beep]
- MARTIN: Robin, this is Martin. Would you please tell Dave to be sure he's at the company picnic on Tuesday? Afterward, we're going to discuss the company business plan. Thank you. [beep]

## 16 Past, present, or future

- A** Listen to Ricki and Will talk at a class reunion. Write past, present, or future below each picture.
- WILL: Ricki! It's good to see you! You look great!
- RICKI: Thanks, Will. I've changed a lot, haven't I?
- WILL: You sure have. Your hair is much shorter now. And you don't wear glasses anymore.
- RICKI: Yeah, I wear contact lenses now.
- WILL: And I heard you have a new baby.
- RICKI: Yeah, I got married five years ago, and I had my daughter six months ago. Her name is Ellen. My life is much busier now.
- WILL: I can imagine. And are you still living in Miami?
- RICKI: No, my husband changed jobs about a year ago, and we moved to New York last summer.
- WILL: That's great. Are you working?
- RICKI: No, not yet. But I'd love to start again in a few years. You know, when Ellen is older. We'd like to move to the country when she's ready for school.
- WILL: Yeah. Well, what do you plan to do?
- RICKI: You know, I'd like to open a travel agency. And I hope to work from home.
- WILL: How are you going to do it?
- RICKI: To start, I plan to get a bank loan. And right now, my husband is helping me find information on the Internet.
- B** Listen again. What does Ricki hope to do in the future? Correct these false statements.