

Listening Part C

Format

- 2 texts / audio - roughly 5 mins
- 6 questions for each text/audio
- Presentation (monologue) / Interviews (dialogue)
- 90 seconds to review 6 questions before each audio

Typical question:

37. When describing the condition known as HS, Dr Cooper suggests that it

question stem

(A) is fairly common so should be more accurately diagnosed.

(B) would be better understood if it presented more uniformly.

(C) may be incorrectly treated due to misinformation from patients.

answer options

Technique/Strategy

- 1) It's essential to be aware of 'where' you are in the text
- 2) You do this by being aware of the signposts (a signpost is a piece of information which indicates an answer option is coming or *has just been*)
- 3) Be aware of how answer options match/don't match the text:

Example:

How did Dr Grenada feel?

- a) She was surprised by how tall the children in the local village were
- b) She was disappointed that the local council didn't support her organisation
- c) She was angry about

Audio:

Partial match but some of it doesn't: What really shocked me was the extreme sizes of the under 10s in the neighbouring countries.

Partial match & contradiction: What really left me speechless was how obese the children were in the local village

Complete match: I was not expecting to see that the boys in the local village were far over average height.

Use the difficulty as a strength:

- Listening Part C is difficult because (often) all of the options are mentioned.
- Because multiple options are mentioned, you can keep focused and not lose your place.

Think of every question as a box, which contains signposts, answer options and *the answer*.

'The box'

1. Signpost - question stem
2. the box opens....
3. the answer options will be presented in random order