

**Think about the questions below:**

In OET Listening Part B...

1. How long are the recordings? **Under 60 seconds**
2. How many people might speak? **Usually two but sometimes one person**
3. What types of situations may you hear? **Everyday medical conversations between medical professionals and patients**
4. How many times do you hear each recording? **Once**

**In today's lesson, we will...**

1. Read each question and analyse it – How can we catch the information to answer effectively?
2. Decide if we need to read the options A-C before we listen or if we have a clear focus for the question
3. Listen to the recording with the question in our heads and then choose the correct answer based on what we heard – we can use elimination to help with this process
4. Use the poll to answer each question after listening to the recording
5. If the majority of people get the answer correct, we will discuss why this is the correct answer and use the transcript to help us
6. If the majority of people choose an incorrect answer, we will listen again and try to understand why this answer is incorrect
7. We will answer each question in the same way

25. You hear a GP talking to a patient.

Why does the patient want to record the consultation?

- (A) She wants others to benefit from the doctor's advice.
- (B) She's afraid that she might miss some important points.
- (C) She's been told to keep a record in case of future problems.

F: Excuse me Doctor, before we begin, I'd like to record this consultation.

M: Well, of course you're at liberty to do that Mrs Greenaway. May I ask though why you want to? Are you thinking of posting a video on the internet? If I'd known I'd have worn a different jacket. (laughs) I don't want people accusing me of being scruffy.

F: (laughs) It looks fine to me. The thing is, it's not always easy to get everything down, while you're telling me about my test results and suggesting possible treatments. This way I can go through it all later.

M: That makes sense.

F: And as for posting it online. It might help people in similar circumstances I suppose, though the information's personal to me, isn't it?

M: Absolutely

F: And that's how I want to keep it.

M: All right. Let's start by .....

26. You hear a senior hospital nurse briefing a doctor about a patient on her ward.

What is the nurse's concern about the patient?

- (A) her condition following a procedure
- (B) her reaction at the time of a procedure
- (C) her reluctance to undergo a procedure

F How's Mrs Marshall doing in Bed 12? She was admitted a few days ago, wasn't she?

M Well, yes, and as you know, she had a nasogastric feeding tube put in last night. Her family wanted to be sure she'd given her informed consent for it to be carried out, but she agreed to it readily when it was all explained.

F And how are things this morning?

M Well, her family mentioned last night that she seemed rather agitated afterwards, quite unlike how she was the night before, when she was her normal chatty self. She underwent the procedure with no real issues, apparently, but she's since made several attempts to pull the tube out.

F Mm, well in view of her age, and her other health problems, I'll prioritise her on the ward round.

M OK – thanks.

27. You hear an oncology nurse talking to a patient with mouth cancer.

What is the patient admitting?

- (A) He **hadn't realised** how **radical** his **surgery** would be.
- (B) He **underestimated** the **psychological effects** of the illness.
- (C) He **couldn't have coped without** the **support** of staff and patients.

F So Mr Smith, you're coming to the end of your chemo, so I'm just here to check how you're feeling.

M Well, you'll probably remember I was in a state of shock at the diagnosis when I first came in. **And the surgery was awful – my jaw bone had to be removed and replaced with titanium. That was every bit as difficult as I'd thought** – but the surgeons did at least prepare me. **And this place did help me come to terms with it all.**

F Right.

M **The thing I wasn't ready for, though, was the mental side of things - you know, the awful anxiety you feel, waking up in the night, and so on. So it might've been good to talk more to other patients, really, who'd already been through it.**

F Right – well, I'll certainly make a note of that