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Recording 1

Listen to the recording and answer the questions which follow. You will hear the recording twice. You now have one minute to read the questions in Recording 1 before the recording begins.

Questions 1–4: Choose the correct answer for each question and tick (✓) **one** box.

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| <p>1. The presenter, Nick:</p> <p>A very rarely goes swimming.</p> <p>B never swims in the sea.</p> <p>C used to swim outdoors in Scotland.</p> <p>D swims in rivers and lochs in Scotland.</p> | <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>1</p> |
| <p>2. Wild swimming in Scotland:</p> <p>A is always done in the sea.</p> <p>B is growing rapidly in popularity.</p> <p>C is dangerous without a wetsuit.</p> <p>D can cause headaches.</p> | <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>1</p> |
| <p>3. Clara almost got hypothermia because:</p> <p>A the water was colder than usual.</p> <p>B she did too many handstands.</p> <p>C she wasn't wearing a wetsuit.</p> <p>D she made a misjudgement.</p> | <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> | <p>1</p> |



Recording 1 questions (continued)

4. Which one of the following things does Clara say? 1
- A Wild swimmers enjoy being part of a community.
 - B Her friends have anxieties about wild swimming.
 - C Some wild swimmers find it helps them mentally.
 - D People do wild swimming as part of a therapy course.

Question 5: Complete the sentences below with **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS** for each answer.

5. (a) For thousands of years people lived in _____ nature. 1
- (b) Unlike walking in the park, wild swimming also involves _____ . 1
- (c) Experienced wild swimmers know _____ the after effects are. 1
- (d) A case report showed that wild swimming _____ can make people feel less depressed. 1

Question 6: Choose the correct answer and tick (✓) one box.

6. Which of these best sums up Nick's attitude to wild swimming? 1
- A He appreciates its benefits but doesn't want to get involved.
 - B He has some reservations but thinks he'll give it a try.
 - C He's rather sceptical about the possible psychological benefits.
 - D He feels the dangers outweigh any advantages it may have.



Recording 2

Listen to the recording and answer the questions which follow. You will hear the recording twice. You now have one minute to read the questions in Recording 2 before the recording begins.

7. Complete the sentences below with **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS** for each answer.
- (a) The presenter wonders whether appearance is _____
_____ ability. **1**
- (b) The report questions the image a potential employer might
_____. **1**
- (c) According to Chris, it's easy to learn certain skills when
_____. **1**
- (d) According to Chris, employers are looking for staff who
_____. **1**

Questions 8–11: Choose the correct answer for each question and tick (✓) **one** box.

8. The presenter suggests that Chris's company is more likely to employ people who: **1**
- A are born in the UK.
- B sound European.
- C have a local accent.
- D have a strong sense of identity.



Recording 2 questions (continued)

9. As regards coffee houses, the presenter worries that:

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A customers are unhappy if all outlets look the same.

B certain groups are subject to employer prejudice.

C few stores are located in poorer parts of Glasgow.

D there are not even jobs for middle-class children.

10. The report shows that:

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A companies won't hire people with hygiene problems.

B cases of gender discrimination are on the increase.

C companies may be acting illegally by obsessing about image.

D customers place more importance on service than quality.

11. Which best describes the attitude of the presenter?

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A Agreeable

B Indifferent

C Supportive

D Hostile

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Recording 3

Listen to the recording and answer the questions which follow. You will hear the recording twice. You now have one minute to read the questions in Recording 3 before the recording begins.

Questions 12–14: Choose the correct answer for each question and tick (✓) **one** box.

12. According to the speaker, walking 10,000 steps a day: **1**

- A is the next fitness craze.
- B requires a step-counter.
- C is less common in other countries.
- D is likely to lose popularity by 2022.

13. The figure of 10,000 comes from: **1**

- A a popular event at the 1964 Tokyo Olympic Games.
- B the Japanese designers of the first step-counter.
- C a group of researchers at a Japanese university.
- D the daily steps of the average Japanese person.

14. Which of these statements is true about the 10,000 step target? **1**

- A The World Health Organisation questions its accuracy.
- B No expert now has confidence in it.
- C Research into it has been substandard.
- D It has been lowered to 3,000 – 5,000 steps.



Recording 3 questions (continued)

15. Complete the sentences below with **NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS** for each answer.
- (a) For people with a less active lifestyle, a _____
 _____ to 10,000 steps may have harmful consequences. 1
- (b) The speaker is critical of the _____
 _____ with the 10,000 steps target. 1
- (c) The important thing is to guide people away from _____
 _____. 1
- (d) Research indicates that a minimum of 6,000 – 8,000 steps could be appropriate,
 but there needs to be a/an _____
 _____ too. 1
- (e) The 10,000 step goal doesn't consider the _____
 _____ which could be more significant than
 the actual number of steps. 1

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