



Listening – Benchmark 4

III. Getting Things Done

- Understand short communication intended to influence or persuade others in familiar, everyday situations.
 - Identifies purpose, main ideas, factual details and some implied meanings in simple announcements, commercials or infomercials.
 - Demonstrates strengths and limitations typical of Listening Benchmark 4, as listed in the Profile of Ability.

Sample Tasks

Listen to a short, simple commercial about a product or service to get the gist and enough information to decide whether the product is worth purchasing.

Listen to an airport ticket agent telling a traveller that a boarding pass cannot be given because the flight is now full and explaining when the next available flight will be departing.

Listen to an exchange between a sales clerk and a customer to determine the nature of the transaction.

IV. Comprehending Information

- Understand short descriptive or narrative communication on topics of personal relevance.
 - Gets the gist.
 - Identifies factual details, some implied meanings, key words and expressions.
 - Identifies who, what, where and when.
 - Demonstrates strengths and limitations typical of Listening Benchmark 4, as listed in the Profile of Ability.

Sample Tasks

Listen to a friend, colleague or classmate's story about shopping at a particular store to decide whether or not to shop there.

Listen to a very short, clear weather report to use the information to decide what to wear.

Listen to a brief description of topics to be covered in a course.