

Listening Exam 3 – Listening Script

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PART 2 3.2

INTRODUCTION

London has more than 90 markets, where you can buy just about anything. Some of the markets date back to medieval times.

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Petticoat Lane market in London's East End is a good place to visit on the weekend. You can find cheap clothes and electrical goods. Though this market has become less popular in recent years, you can still find some pretty good bargains. It's also near to some other popular Sunday markets, such as Spitalfields and Brick Lane.

DESCRIPTION 1

As one of London's largest food markets, Borough Market is the ideal place to go for your groceries or to grab a bite to eat. It has an enormous range of eating options. You'll find some of the best fruit, vegetables, meat, pastries and breads in town. Borough Market is also London's oldest market. It's open from Thursdays to Sundays all year round.

DESCRIPTION 2

Brick Lane is famous for Asian cuisine, shops and services, and also for its Sunday market, which spreads over the surrounding streets. You can find anything here, from trash to treasure. There's bric-a-brac, second-hand furniture, records ... You name it, and you'll probably find it at Brick Lane market.

DESCRIPTION 3

One of London's most famous markets has to be Portobello Road. It dates back to the 1800s. Though you can find a bit of everything on Portobello, it has been known as a major antiques market since the 1960s. It's also a great place to find vintage clothes – although, because of its popularity, it's quite expensive. The market is open every Saturday.

DESCRIPTION 4

If you love gardening, Columbia Road flower market is for you. In fact, even if you're not a gardener, the sheer beauty and scent of the thousands of flowers on sale is enough to draw you in. The market was nearly demolished in the 1970s, but the locals fought back! Now it is more successful than ever.

DESCRIPTION 5

There are many reasons to visit Greenwich, and one has to be the market. It's the best place to come if you're looking for the perfect hand-made gift, as it mostly sells crafts by local designers and artists. Who knows, you could unearth the next big thing! The market has over 150 stalls, and recently celebrated its 25th birthday.

PART 3 3.3

Abby Hi, Diana. Can you see me? This webcam thing doesn't always work that well.

Diana Yes, as clear as day. How are you?

Abby Wonderful, thanks! And what about you, Diana, what are you up to? I see you're coming out to California in October, with your new man. Are you coming to stay with us in Monterey?

Diana Yes, please. Steve and I have decided to spend three weeks in California. We're flying into San Francisco and then flying back to London from Los Angeles. We can't wait to see you and Joe.

Abby Awesome! So, are you going to rent a car or something?

Diana Yeah, we thought we'd spend three days in San Francisco, and then hire a car. We'll drive to visit you in Monterey for a few days, then head south toward Los Angeles.

Abby When are you arriving?

Diana October the 6th. I think it's a Wednesday.

Abby Alrighty. Well, after your stay in San Fran you've got to head straight for here. You can stay as long as you like. Joe has to work, but I'm working from home at the moment. I can take you around to see all the sights.

Diana How far is Monterey from San Francisco?

Abby Not so far – about a two-hour drive, let's say.

Diana We thought we'd stop off at Santa Cruz on the way.

Abby Oh, don't bother with that. We'll take you to Santa Cruz.

Diana Oh, perfect. And what will the weather be like?

Abby It's normally about 70 degrees, sorry, that's 20 degrees Celsius in your language!

Diana Great, so we can go to the beach?

Abby Absolutely! Here you can go practically all year round!

Diana Oh, Abby. I'm so excited. If we could stay for four nights from the 10th, that would be just fabulous.

Abby You're booked in, just give me a ring when you set off from San Francisco. Anyway, enough about the travel plans. Tell me how things are back in the UK ...