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Listening 1

Interviewer I'm delighted to welcome Tom Matthews to the studio today. Tom is going to tell us about the recycling services in the city of Bristol. Tom, thanks for joining us.

Tom It's a pleasure.

Interviewer Now, as far as I understand, Bristol has just been chosen as the European Green Capital. Is that right, Tom?

Yes, that's right. We're really delighted with the prize, which recognizes all the hard work the city council, local businesses, and the people of Bristol have done to make our beautiful city more environmentally friendly. And the timing of the announcement was perfect because Bristol's Festival of Nature starts this weekend.

Interviewer Great! Now, tell me a little about the recycling services you've got in Bristol.

Tom Well, you can recycle all the usual things. We use a box system, where people put different things that they want to recycle in special boxes, and these boxes are in different colours. The black box is for anything made of paper, for example. Glass bottles and jars also go in this one, as do old clothes. Pillows or curtains don't go in this box, though.

Interviewer Right, and the other boxes?

Tom We've got a green box as well. That's for all your bottles from the bathroom and kitchen, and food and drink cartons, for example. The important thing with this box is that it's not for metal of any kind. You know, no soup tins, batteries, electrical items, and so

Interviewer And how often are the boxes emptied?Tom This service started out on a fortnightly basis, but as we found that people had more and more stuff to

recycle, we changed to a weekly service. And we've been doing this for several months now. Basically, people just have to leave their boxes out by 7 a.m. and we collect them.

Interviewer Very good ...

Tom Could I just add something here?

Interviewer Sure, go ahead.

Tom Well, from early next year people will have more opportunity to come to the recycling centre as we're going be staying open for longer. Now the centre

opens at 9.00 and closes at 4.30 from Monday to Friday. From January, it will open an hour earlier and

close half an hour later.

Interviewer That's good to know. Tom, unfortunately we'll have to end it here because we have to go to the local news now. It's been great talking to you. Thank you.

Tom Thanks.

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- 1 I'm not really sure yet what I want to do in the future. But I do know what I don't want to do, and that's be indoors all day, like in an office. That would be so boring. I like being with people, so I'd prefer an outdoor job that doesn't mean working on my own.
- 2 I'm quite into animals, so perhaps a job working with them. I'll see. But thinking about it again actually, helping to make people's lives better is something I want to do. Both of my parents are doctors, so I could do the same as them. In fact, that's probably what I'll do in the end if I get good enough grades, of course!
- 3 I have no idea yet what job I'd like to do. I get bored easily and I can't imagine being in a job where I'd just do the same thing every day. That'd be a complete nightmare! So whatever I do in the end, it'll have to involve doing different things.
- 4 Well, I think working in a team with lots of other people is good—I do enjoy that when we work together on projects and stuff. But in the future, in my job, I'd prefer to work on my own and just get on with doing things my way. I'd like to be in charge instead of being told what to do!
- 5 I don't mind working in an office, actually being indoors warm and dry sounds quite good to me! I'm quite good at thinking of new and different ways of doing things and I enjoy writing, so I'd like a job where I got the chance to try out my own ideas, and use my imagination a bit.