

Listening 39: Lesson 9A, Exercises 2 and 3

1

- Man** Where's my mobile? It was in my bag.
- Woman** Have you checked your pockets?
- Man** Hang on No, it isn't in my pockets. I left my bag here under the desk while I was having lunch, and my mobile was definitely in it.
- Woman** Do you think somebody came into the office and stole it?
- Man** I don't know.
- Woman** Is there anything else missing?
- Man** Let me check. Yes! My MP3 player is missing too!

2

- Woman** It's late. I'd better go home now.
- Man** I'll walk you home.
- Woman** There's no need. It isn't far to my house.
- Man** Yes, but Tom was walking home a few nights ago, and a couple of men attacked him in the street and took his wallet and his mobile.
- Woman** Did they hurt him?
- Man** Yes, they pushed him to the ground. He hurt his arm.
- Woman** Poor Tom. Have they caught the people who did it?
- Man** Yes, the police arrested two men the following day.

3

- Man** The police raided a house in our street last weekend.
- Woman** Really? What were they looking for?
- Man** Heroin and cocaine.
- Woman** Really? I didn't think that sort of thing went on round here.
- Man** Yeah, it does. There's always a couple of men hanging around on the pavement outside the house, selling drugs.
- Woman** How do you know they were selling drugs?
- Man** Cars come up and stop near the men, and you see them handing over money and small packets of stuff. It's usually at

night, so you never see it really clearly, but I'm sure it's drugs they're selling.

4

- Woman** Somebody broke into the village hall.
- Man** Broke into the village hall? Do you know how they got in?
- Woman** They climbed through a window.
- Man** Why would they want to do that? Did they steal anything?
- Woman** No, but they smashed some chairs and tables.
- Man** That's terrible. Do they know who did it?
- Woman** No, the police seem to have no idea.

5

- Woman** I was in Jepson's department store the other day when the security guard arrested someone.
- Man** I didn't know security guards could arrest people.
- Woman** Well, this one did. It was a woman with a young child. She couldn't have been more than eighteen.
- Man** What had she done?
- Woman** Stolen something I think. The security guard was holding some baby food and nappy cream.
- Man** Poor woman. She probably couldn't afford to buy it.
- Woman** But she shouldn't steal from shops, should she? Anyway the security guard called the police.
- Man** Oh no. Surely that wasn't necessary. He could have let her off with a warning.
- Woman** Well, it's her own fault. She broke the law.

Listening 40: Lesson 9C, Exercise 4

Jesse James is the most famous American outlaw of the 19th Century. He lived in Missouri, one of the southern states of the USA. It was a difficult time in America. There were black slaves working in the southern states, but not in the northern states. The northern states wanted to ban slavery, so the southern states decided to be independent. This became the American Civil War. Jesse James was 14 when the war started. For four years the South fought against the North. Jesse James and his brother Frank fought for the South. There were lots of terrible battles and a lot of men died. The North finally won the war.

When the war ended, the new government punished the southern states. Jesse and Frank were angry at the injustice. They formed a gang of outlaws. The outlaws wanted to fight the government, so they robbed government banks and trains and stole money. But they killed people, too. The outlaws got a lot of sympathy from southern people. Some people said Jesse James was like Robin Hood. Finally, the government promised money to anyone who could catch Jesse. So a friend of his in the gang murdered him. He was just 35 when he died.

Listening 41: Lesson 9D, Challenge!

- 1 I'm tired.
- 2 David is reading.
- 3 I can't sleep.
- 4 I didn't see the burglar.
- 5 I like rap music.
- 6 We're going out this evening.
- 7 I can swim really well.
- 8 She gave me a CD for Christmas.

Listening 42: Lesson 9F, Exercises 3 and 4

- Officer** Good afternoon. Can I help you?
- Girl** Hello. I've lost my mobile. I think somebody stole it.
- Officer** Oh yes?
- Girl** I was on my way home from school, on my bike. My bag was on the back of the bike. When I got home, the bag wasn't there. I think it had dropped off on the way.
- Officer** So, you've lost your bag as well as your mobile?
- Girl** No, I've got the bag.
- Officer** Oh?
- Girl** Yes, I went back. Followed my route back to school. And I found the bag. Someone had thrown it into some bushes at the side of the road. But the mobile was missing. It was in the bag, you see.
- Officer** What was the make and model of the mobile?
- Girl** It was a Nokia X6.
- Officer** *[whistles]* Expensive!
- Girl** Yes, very. It was present from my parents.
- Officer** Is it insured?
- Girl** No.
- Officer** Could I ask you to describe it, please?
- Girl** It's white, um, about 10 cm long. It's got a big touch screen.
- Officer** Have you phoned your network?
- Girl** No, not yet.
- Officer** Well, you must do that as soon as possible. Now did they take anything else from the bag?
- Girl** Yes, my bus pass ... Luckily my wallet was in my pocket, so they didn't get that. Do you think I'll get the mobile back?
- Officer** I'm afraid it's unlikely. Now, would you mind signing this form, please?

Listening 43: Get Ready for your Exam 7, Listening

Good morning, everyone!

Welcome to our city; I hope you enjoy the conference. I am just going to say a few words about safety here. Even though our city is fairly safe, there are some thieves, muggers and other criminals. Thieves usually target tourists in crowded squares. There are also some busy tram routes which are not very safe, such as the 22. So make sure you keep your personal possessions safe at all times and have some common sense in busy areas.

Also, if you plan to change money, do it in a bank. Criminals can trick travellers by offering a great exchange rate, only for the visitor to then find they have some faked money instead of euros. This kind of fraud can really ruin your trip.

Be careful too when taking a taxi. Although this is not as big a problem as it used to be, some taxi drivers might still be a little dishonest. Don't get a taxi on the street, always book one. Make sure you use one of the taxi companies that we have listed in the conference folder; they speak English if you phone them. Make sure you get a receipt and if you feel you have been overcharged give the company a call.

Now how about you? I am sure none of you want to break any laws so here are a couple of things that visitors to our city often get into trouble for. In our country jaywalking is illegal, that is, crossing the road without using a pedestrian crossing. So always look for zebra crossings when you need to. Also if there is a red and green light at the crossing, wait until the green man shows. Walking when the red man is lit can cost you a fine of up to €30.

It is also illegal to ride on the trams or metro without a valid ticket. The system works on a trust basis so there are no barriers but you still need to buy a ticket. Make sure you punch the ticket in the yellow machines on the tram or on the metro platform. You might get asked to show your ticket to an inspector at any time during the journey. If you haven't got a valid ticket you will be fined €20.

Finally, make sure you carry ID with you at all times, that is, an identification card or passport. If you get stopped by the police or by ticket inspectors they will ask to see your identification.

Thank you for your attention and we hope you have a safe time here in our beautiful city.