

TIME OUT

Listening skills: identifying a topic; listening for gist; listening for specific information
 Vocabulary: leisure activities

Pre-listening

- The objects in the pictures below are all connected with particular sports or leisure activities. Name them and say which activities they are connected.
- What vocabulary might you expect to hear?



Practice 1

You are going to hear five people describing their leisure activity. Decide what they are talking about.

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

Practice 2

Now listen to two of the speakers giving more information about their hobby. Study the two lists of words connected with their hobby first. While you listen to the first speaker, tick any words in the first column that you hear. While you listen to the second speaker, tick any pieces of equipment in the second column that she recommends for people who want to *learn to ride*.

1	Camera	2	Riding mac
	Printing		Gloves
	Negative		Shooting stick
	Photographic		Cuffs
	Dark room		Jeans
	Enlarge		Hard hat
	Film		Saddle
	Flash		Leather jacket
	develop		Riding boots












Practice 3

You are going to hear a warden of a community center showing a radio journalist round the center.

- Before you listen, write the correct names under the pictures below. Choose from the following list. The first one has been done for you.

table tennis table *storage cupboard* *kettle* *notice board* *sink*
table and chairs *photocopier* *cooker* *wheelchair*
play equipment *volleyball net* *computer/word processor*

- As you listen for the first time, tick the boxes to show which items can be found in the community center.

 A. table tennis table	 B	 C	 D
 E	 F	 G	 H
 I	 J	 K	 L

3. Before you listen for the second time, read the statements below and make sure you understand them.
4. As you listen, decide which of the statements are *true* (T) and which are *false* (F).

1	The youth club meets in the community center.	
2	The Mothers and Toddlers club have a separate room.	
3	The teenagers would like to cook food in the community center.	
4	The meeting room is rarely used.	
5	There are several steps between the front door and the street.	
6	The notice board has been moved temporarily.	
7	The warden believes the teenagers are wasting their time.	