

IGCSE Listening Test Exercise 3: Set 2

Exercise 3

You will hear a part of a podcast in which a reviewer talks about a newly published book about a woman called Natalie Hardcastle. For each question, choose the correct answer, A, B, or C, and put a tick (✓) in the appropriate box.

You will hear each recording twice.

Now look at questions 19-26

Question 19

What is the setting of the beginning of Natalie Hardcastle's story?.

- A A bustling city with modern amenities
- B An isolated Australian ranch without basic utilities
- C A suburban neighborhood with friendly neighbours

(1)

Question 20

What event crushed Natalie's hopes of Olympic fame?

- A A riding accident
- B A serious illness
- C A car accident

(1)

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Question 21

How does Tony Hardcastle's character affect Natalie's life?

- A He supports her financially.
- B He helps her start her own business.
- C He leaves her penniless in the outback.

(1)

Question 22

What does Natalie do to support her family after Tony leaves?

- A She starts a business using a van.
- B She goes back to Sydney to sell clothes.
- C She delivers food in a van.

(1)

Question 23

What event causes Natalie's business to fail?

- A Tony's return.
- B A natural disaster.
- C Financial problems

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Question 24

How does Natalie react to her financial problems?

A She gives up.

B She becomes depressed.

C She refuses to give in.

(1)

Question 25

How does Natalie manage to pay off her debts?

A By getting a loan from the bank.

B By winning the lottery.

C Through a successful business venture.

(1)

Question 26

What effect does Natalie's story have on the reviewer's perception of her own husband?

A It makes her want to leave him.

B It makes her resentful.

C It makes her see him in a more positive light.

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