

News Items 2

You are going to hear 8 news items. They will be read ONCE only. After each news item there will be a pause for you to answer the questions by writing one of the letters – A, B, C or D – in the boxes on your answer sheet. After writing your answer, you may also like to look at the question which follows. When you hear a soft sound, go on to the next question.

- 1 What information do we get in this news item?
 - A Road rage has very little to do with traffic jams
 - B The Responsible Driving Campaign was not successful
 - C Road rage victims need counselling treatment
 - D Frustrated drivers attacking other drivers is a growing problem

- 2 What are we told about in this news item?
 - A The queen's visit to St Paul's Cathedral
 - B A church in London called St Martin-in-the-Fields
 - C The accidental interruption of a choir's performance
 - D An accident where students were badly injured

- 3 What is suggested in this news item?
 - A There was a row in the World's Football governing body
 - B The referee did not get the money he had been promised
 - C The wrong ball was auctioned off at a very high price
 - D The referee tried to make a profit, but failed

- 4 What is reported in this news item?
 - A A breakthrough for the conservation of rainforests
 - B All of the Congo basin is to be protected
 - C Top politicians still refuse to discuss the deforestation issue
 - D Long-term measures against deforestation are to be adopted

- 5 What is reported about Venice?
- A More people must be persuaded to move from the centre
 - B A new local airport is proposed
 - C There are plans to reduce local rail fares
 - D A modern infrastructure solution is badly needed
- 6 What are we told in this news item?
- A A pill is now available for people suffering from Alzheimer's
 - B So far, the new drug has been tested only on rats
 - C After the age of seventy, it is difficult to learn new things
 - D The loss of long term memory seems to be the greatest problem
- 7 What happened at Heathrow?
- A Two passenger planes were landing at the same time
 - B An accident was averted at the last moment
 - C An air traffic inspector made a fatal mistake
 - D Pilots' heavy workloads caused a threatening incident
- 8 What is mentioned in this item?
- A Tourists are flocking to the old seaside resorts again
 - B A PR campaign based on *Fawlty Towers* has been launched
 - C New generations of tourists have different tastes and interests
 - D A fortnight at the seaside is still part of most people's holiday plans