

**GA ENTRY LEVEL 2 / A2 CERTIFICATE IN ESOL INTERNATIONAL LISTENING RECORDING TRANSCRIPTS: HIPPO Sample**

**Listening Task 1:**

SPEAKER	Additional details:
Example	<i>There's a film I really want to see. Do you want to go to the cinema on Saturday afternoon?</i>
Speaker 1	<i>First, we went to Naples. We stayed there for four days, as there are lots of interesting things to do and see there.</i>
Speaker 2	<i>My parents really want to go on holiday to Greece. Have you ever been there?</i>
Speaker 3	<i>Why did you go to the post office earlier?</i>
Speaker 4	<i>I'm really sorry for losing your book, Matt.</i>
Speaker 5	<i>It's getting a bit cold now. Do you think we should go home?</i>
Speaker 6	<i>Anna hasn't been to school all week.</i>

**Listening Task 2:**

<b>Example</b>
<p><i>Tom: Mum, can I have 10 pounds please?</i>  <i>Mum: What do you need it for, Tom?</i>  <i>Tom: I need to buy a new book for school.</i>  <i>Mum: Can you borrow it from the library instead?</i>  <i>Tom: Oh yes, I'll do that.</i></p>
<b>Conversation 1:</b>
<p><i>Girl: Did you have a nice weekend, Sam?</i>  <i>Sam: Not really. I had a bad cold.</i>  <i>Girl: Oh no, did you stay at home?</i>  <i>Sam: No, I still went to see a football game.</i>  <i>Girl: Are you going to see a doctor?</i>  <i>Sam: No, I'm feeling a bit better today...</i></p>

**Conversation 2:**

*Mum: Jack, have you done your Maths homework?*

*Jack: No, I don't know how to do it, Mum.*

*Mum: Would you like me to help you?*

*Jack: Yes please!*

*Mum: Ok, let's go and have our dinner first, it's ready now.*

**Conversation 3:**

*Boy: Would you like to have a picnic in the park tomorrow?*

*Girl: Mmm, a picnic sounds good.*

*Boy: How about some sandwiches, and maybe a cake?*

*Girl: Not cake, I'm trying to eat more healthily!*

*Boy: OK, we can get some grapes instead or maybe oranges.*

*Mum: That's a better idea.*

**Conversation 4:**

*Ben: Have you seen the latest comedy film about aliens Jenny?*

*Jenny: No, I don't really watch comedies, I prefer horror films.*

*Ben: Oh, I'm scared of horrors, I can't watch them!*

*Jenny: Don't be silly Ben, you know they aren't real...*

*Ben: It doesn't matter. I much prefer comedies or action films...*

**Listening Task 3:**

*Ben: Hi Mary. Did you join a new sports class recently?*

*Mary: Hi Ben. Yes I did! A basketball class. It's really good fun!*

*Ben: What's the teacher like?*

*Mary: Mr Jonas? He looks scary, but is actually very helpful. And so tall! That really helps when you play a sport like basketball.*

*Ben: So, who do you play with? Are they your friends from school?*



**Mary:** I know quite a lot of the team from school, but not all of them. There are 11 of us in the new team so I've made a few new friends.

**Ben:** Are the other players all English?

**Mary:** Most of them are, yes. There's a really friendly Italian boy called Joe. His parents work at the hospital.

**Ben:** Just like my parents!

**Mary:** Oh yes! And then there's a French girl – Emily. She's from Nice, in the south of France. It was her 17<sup>th</sup> birthday last week so she's a year older than you and me.

**Ben:** And the rest of the team?

**Mary:** All from London. You probably know Rachel and Mark?

**Ben:** Rachel and Mark? Erm..

**A: Mary:** We met them at summer camp last year?

**Ben:** Hmm, I remember Mark, yes. Wasn't he very small? I can't imagine he'll be any good at basketball! Rachel was nice – I think she had long red hair?

**Mary:** You would be very surprised to see Mark now! He's quite tall. Even taller than you! And yes, Rachel's hair is short now, but still red. She's pretty good at basketball too. And so funny. She tells the best jokes!

**Ben:** I think I want to join your team now. Everyone sounds like they're really good at sports though and I've never really played any sport.

**Mary:** Well we only started a few weeks ago and there's always room for others to come too. I think you'd enjoy it.

#### Listening Task 4:

What did I do on Saturday? My dad and I went on a trip to the zoo. We went by train, because mum needed the car that day. But I didn't mind, because I like travelling by train. We left the house just after breakfast, and walked to the station. It was a really nice sunny day. It was quite windy, but really warm. When we got to the zoo, we needed to cool down, so we stopped for a glass of orange juice at the café.



*We first saw the elephants. The zoo keepers were giving them their breakfast: lots of grass and fruit. There was a baby elephant there too ... it was only 3 months old! Then we went to see the giraffes. They were so tall and beautiful – I really liked their big dark eyes with long eyelashes. But I really wanted to see the lions the most – they are so strong and fast. They're just the best! I like to watch them run in the wild on television. My dad took a photo of a lion for me, and I'm going to put it in a frame. It was a really great day.*

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