Тексты для аудирования

**7 класс**

**The burglar’s friend**

A burglar-грабитель, взломщик

Generous-щедрый

It was three o’clock in the morning. Russel, a young four-year-old boy got up to go to the toilet. His parents were sleeping. When Russel went downstairs, he saw light in the kitchen. There he found two men. They asked him his name and told him they were friends of the family. Russel believed them –he was a good kind boy. The two men asked him to help them. They said they didn’t want to wake up his mummy and daddy! Russel helped the two men find their DVD player, stereo system, money and other expensive things. Russel even gave them his pocket money-50p. The two men left at 4 o’clock, and Russel helped them to open the door. Then he went back to bed. When his parents got up in the morning, they were in a shock! All the expensive things in the house disappeared! But his parents couldn’t be angry with Russel. Next week the police found the two burglars.

**8 класс**

**Chewing gum**

*The Swedes- шведы*

*To advertise- рекламировать*

Chewing gum is popular with teenagers all over the world. Many people think that chewing gum comes from the United States, but it is not so. Actually, the Swedes invented it! In the mouth of a skeleton, which was nine thousand years old and found in Sweden, people saw a piece of chewing gum! The Greeks and the Indians also made some kind of chewing gum to clean their teeth and to make their breath fresh. At that time chewing gum was especially popular with women who wanted to look more beautiful. The American Indians gave their chewing gum to the English when they first arrived and that is how Europe learned about it. But America was the first country to make chewing gum a commercial thing. In 1892 they started to advertise chewing gum all over the country. A lot of nice girls walked along the streets of many American cities, giving out free chewing gum. During WW II American soldiers used chewing gum to relax and they gave it to kids, so European children liked it very much. Chewing gum became very popular and now everybody likes to chew it. Do you?

**9 класс**

**Life in 2050**

*Life expectancy-продолжительность жизни*

*Eruption- извержение*

Japanese scientists are very optimistic about the future of our world. They see big developments in science, technology and healthcare. For example, in 1900 most people didn’t live the age of 50, but now average life expectancy is about 70 years. As Japanese doctors say, there is no reason why it will not continue far into the 21st century. Big changes are already happening to the world. The future is here now. We have DNA, microchips, the Internet. Of course, some people think that they are too old to learn to use these things. But scientists think that we must educate ourselves to use new technologies now.

World population might become a big problem though. However, some people believe that the world population will soon stop growing as we will all become richer. Statistics shows that middle class families do not want or need many children.

World government will be absolutely necessary. People will have to manage the world and its resources on the global level because countries alone are too small to cope with them. English will become the global language; the Internet will be the global information and telephone system. Everyone will have computers and free access to the Internet. Probably people will learn to control climate too and there will be no earthquakes and volcano eruptions. Maybe there will be no illnesses either.

For thousands of years we have been trying to understand our environment. Now it is time to begin to control it. But people are intelligent and cruel at the same time. If people fundamentally remain the same, the question will be if we have enough wisdom to use the technology to our advantage!

**10 класс**

Speaker 1

In Spain I lived in a flat with students from the local university. In my drama class I met a Spanish girl who was looking for someone to speak English with. We became best friends and we spoke half the time in English, and half the time in Spanish. I also joined gym and had great fun trying to do an aerobics class which was not a difficult task though the instructions were given in Spanish. On Sundays I went to the cinema and only watched Spanish films.

Speaker 2

I went to China to work as an English language teacher because I wanted to understand people who live in China. It took me a long time before I met local Chinese people with the same interests as I had. I met even more interesting people thanks to them. I had great fun and left China with a better understanding of the lifestyle of ordinary Chinese people.

Speaker 3

The first foreign language which I studied was French. I learnt it at a secondary school .Between school and university I spent three months working on two farms in southern France. This helped me to speak easily in French and to get a rich vocabulary connected with farming. I can still speak and read in French quite well. However, my written French is rather bad.

Speaker 4

I have always been good at language that’s why I studied French and German at high school. To brush up my French and German I took part in a few exchange programmes. But then I thought that my chances of finding a good job might be improved if I chose a more unusual language. I considered Chinese, Japanese and Arabic. Finally I decided on Chinese and Japanese, which I studied at the University of Leeds. During my second year I spent a term studying Japanese in Osaka.

Speaker 5

I began learning Arabic because I planned to visit different Arabic-speaking countries, including Morocco. Using a textbook I learn Arabic pronunciation, the Arabic script, a few words and a bit of grammar. Soon I spent some weeks in Morocco. Unfortunately , I found out that my French was much more useful than the little Arabic I knew.

Speaker 6

Many years ago I was given an Irish whistle as a birthday present. I liked it so much that I started to collect Irish tunes, songs and albums, it became my favourite occupation. I enjoyed listening to Irish music so much that I started playing it myself. As I listened to and played Irish music I got interested in the Irish language as well. And you see, my hobby led me to the decision to start learning the Irish language.

**11 класс**

*Craft fair- Ярмарка ремёсел*

*Bargain- Выгодная сделка, удачная покупка*

**Man:** What did you think of the festival last week? Did you go to many of the events?

**Woman:** Yeah, I thought it was great; I always look forward to it. What about you?

**Man:** Well, I was pretty busy last week but I went to a couple of things. What did you think of the rock concert? I went to that and I thought it was really good. Did you go to it?

**Woman:** Yeah, I did. But I was not expecting there to be so many people there. I was a bit late arriving and by the time I got there, I could only stand at the back. So I didn’t have much of a view of the bands, but I enjoyed the music.

**Man:** Yeah, it was certainly a success. Mind you, there was not much in the way of audience reaction. I thought everyone would be going mad but they were all a bit quiet. I guess they were just listening and really getting into the music.

**Woman:** Probably. Did you see the parade on Wednesday?

**Man:** No, but I heard about it. Apparently, it was not as good as it usually is.

**Woman:** No, it was a bit of a disappointment. I stood on the pavement right in the main square as it arrived at the end and I had a really good view of that.

**Man:** What was wrong with it?

**Woman:** Well, there were as many people as usual in it, but there was not any clear theme to it. Usually there is some overall theme- last year it was “The Future of our City”- but there didn’t seem to be one this year. There were all sorts of costumes this year but they didn’t seem to have anything in common with each other.

**Man:** I did go to the art exhibition and I was impressed. What did you think?

**Woman:** Yes, it was good. What I liked was that all these local artists paint in totally different styles.

**Man:** Mmm. There were certainly all sorts of different approaches, were not there? I liked the watercolours best.

**Woman:** Yeah, some of them were very good, but it was some of the abstract stuff that really caught my eye.

**Man:** What else did you catch?

**Woman:** I went to the craft fair, but I was astonished at the prices. I had been expecting to pick up something cheap for my apartment but everything was too pricey for me.

**Man:** Anyway, the festival was a good event in general!

**Woman:** Yeah, I agree.