

## Tapescript PTE YL Quickmarch A Weekend by the Lake

RUBRIC: Hello kids, hello boys and girls. Today's test is Quickmarch. Tasks One and Two are listening. Good luck and have fun!!

Task One: Talking about Weekend Plans

RUBRIC: Mr Brown, Mrs Brown and Ben are talking about their plans for the weekend.

Listen to the conversation and answer the questions. Put a cross in the box under the correct answer. The first one is an example.

You will hear the conversation twice. Listen carefully!

( B = Ben [11 years old] Mrs B = Mrs Brown Mr B = Mr Brown)

[TONE/BEEP]

[FIVE SECOND PAUSE]

B: Look at the rain Dad (*disappointed*)! All those black clouds.

Mr B: I know Ben. But I've got some good news.

Mrs B: Oh really? What?

Mr B: Well (*slight pause*), it's going to be sunny at the weekend.

B: Is it? Great! Because I was ill all last weekend. I spent all the time reading in bed. I couldn't play football. Or my computer games.

Mrs B: (*sympathetic*) I know. Poor Ben!

B: But I'm much better now.

Mr B: Good. We all need a weekend away from home. I really want to go swimming. (*slight pause*) But outside. You know, in the sea or a river maybe. Not in a swimming pool.

Mrs B: Well, that's very interesting because I met Danny Marr today.

Mr B: Danny Marr? Is he that man from the sports club with a moustache and glasses?

Mrs B: Well, he doesn't wear glasses. But he *has* got a moustache *and* a beard now.

(*slight pause*)

Mr B: Oh I remember him. A very nice man (*slight pause*). He worked with you at the vet's when he left school.

Mrs B: That's right. After that, he drove taxis for a while. And now he's a policeman.

Mr B: (surprised) A policeman? Really?

Mrs B: Yes, anyway he's got a little house in the country. It's not far from a lake. He's going away at the weekend and (*revealing good news*) *we* can stay there.

B: (*thrilled*) Hey mum. That's brilliant. I can go swimming with Dad. (*slight pause*) Is it a big house?

Mrs B: No. It's quite small because it's only got one floor. But it has got a pond in the garden.

B: (*enthusiastic*) Really? Sophie's going to love that! (*slight pause*) Can we go there by bike, Mum?

Mrs B: No, no, Ben. It's much too far. There *is* a bus to the village, but it's much better to drive.

Mr B: Yes, I agree. Then we can take all our swimming and sailing things with us.

Mrs B: Well, OK. Now, I wrote Danny's number down. Let me see. Yes, here it is. (*slight pause*) Right, I'm going to make dinner first and then I'm going to phone Danny.

B: Hooray! (*fade*) It's going to be a great weekend!

(315 WORDS)

[FIVE SECOND PAUSE]

RUBRIC: You will now hear the conversation again.

[TONE/BEEP]

[REPEAT RECORDED TEXT]

[FIVE SECOND PAUSE]

That is the end of Task One. Now go on to Task Two.

### Task Two: Mrs Brown Phones Danny

RUBRIC: Liz Brown talks to Danny on the phone. Listen to their conversation and write a short answer to each question. The first one is an example.

You will hear the conversation twice. Listen carefully!

[TONE/BEEP]

[FIVE SECOND PAUSE]

*(Telephone sound quality)*

*(Enter mid conversation)*

MRS B: Now what's the name of the lake again Danny?

D: It's Carlin Lake Liz. It's really beautiful.

MRS B: And how far is it from our house, do you think? About forty, fifty kilometres?

D: From your house? Let me look at the map (*slight pause*). It's forty five kilometres.

MRS B: Oh, that's not too far. We can get there in less than an hour. So when did you move to the house Danny?

D: Oh let me think. Was it ten or eleven years ago? No, it was twelve. I remember the day really well. All my friends helped me.

MRS B: And why did you decide to move Danny? Did you have friends there? Or family?

D: Well, I've got some friends here now. But I moved here because it was so quiet.

MRS B: Oh that sounds wonderful Danny! (*pause*) Now what about the village?

D: Well, it's got a strange name Liz—Tregas.

MRS B: How do you spell that?

D: T- R -E -G- A -S. Don't worry about directions. I can send you a map. And you're going to have a great time at the house with the kids. There's so much to do. And there's a sailing club too.

MRS B: A sailing club? When is it open Danny?

D: It opens at eight thirty a.m. and closes at seven p.m. It's open from Wednesday to Monday but it's shut all day Tuesday.

MRS B: But we don't know how to sail Danny.

D: That's not a problem. You can have sailing lessons. They're not very expensive. Just six pounds an hour.

MRS B: That *is* cheap. Anna's piano lessons are *ten* pounds an hour. They're much more expensive.

D: (*slight pause*). So Liz, when are you going to get here?

MRS B: On Friday night. Tom gets home from work at 6, and we plan to leave at 7, so let's say eight o'clock.

D: OK, that sounds fine.

MRS B: What about the key?

D: Well, I'm going to leave the key with my neighbour. His name's Mike and he lives next door.

MRS B: Excellent. Well, thanks again Danny.

D: (*fade*) You're welcome Liz. Have a great time!

(321 WORDS)

[FIVE SECOND PAUSE]

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[REPEAT RECORDED TEXT]

[FIVE SECOND PAUSE]

That is the end of the listening tasks. Now go on to Task Three.