

Extra Listenings Worksheet 8

Before you listen!

- 1 You're going to listen to a reporter in China. Before you listen, discuss what you know about this country.
 - What are the first 5 words that come to mind when you think of China?
 - Can you name any Chinese people from the past or present?
 - Would you like to visit China? Why / why not?

Develop your skills!

- 2 Listen to an extract from the report. As you listen, match the numbers with the words they relate to.

1	1000	_____	A	-year-old
2	100	_____	B	pounds
3	41	_____	C	children
4	5	_____	D	of the luxury apartments
5	2	_____	E	yuan
6	1	_____	F	a.m.

TOP TIP!

When you have to write a number, you can choose whether to write the digit or the word – both will be acceptable. However, be careful: phrases such as 'a few thousand' need to be written as words because they're not exact numbers.

If you have to write a word that has different spellings in British and American English, e.g. *favourite* and *favorite*, you can usually choose which to write, but you should be consistent throughout the whole exam.

Exam practice!

- 3 Now listen to the complete recording. While listening, answer the questions using a maximum of four words for each answer. Write your answers in the spaces provided. The first one (0) has been done for you.
 - 0 How does the speaker describe the poor neighbourhood he can see?
a totally different world
 - 1 What is China's economy doing at an unexpected rate?

 - 2 What was the Chinese economy's average growth rate in percentage terms in the first four years?

 - 3 What do many experts think China should be doing?

 - 4 When did people start leaving their rural homes and migrating to the cities?

 - 5 How is Liu Mei described in relation to her moving from the countryside to the city?

 - 6 How does Liu Mei make her living today?

 - 7 What are Liu Mei's parents doing to help her?

 - 8 According to the speaker, how long should it take China to improve ordinary people's lives?
