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EJERCICIO 1

BIG BEN

www.podcastsinenglish.com

You will hear two people talking about Big Ben. For questions 1 – 10, choose the correct answer. **DON'T FORGET TO TRANSFER ALL YOUR ANSWERS TO THE ANSWER SHEET.**

1 Richard and Jackie decided to talk about Big Ben because it is ...

- A as old as their programme
- B the oldest attraction in London
- C the most interesting clock in Britain

2 Big Ben started working for the first time in...

- A 1589
- B 1859
- C 1985

3 Big Ben is the ... bell.

- A smallest
- B biggest
- C heaviest

4 There are ... bells in the Tower.

- A 2
- B 4
- C 5

5 The Big Ben bells ... to ring.

- A don't move
- B hit each other
- C move from side to side

6 The bells are ... on time.

- A never
- B always
- C sometimes

7 Jackie thinks the clock is ...

- A** electronic
- B** better than a modern watch
- C** more modern than other clocks

8 Somebody looks after the clock three times a ...

- A** day
- B** week
- C** year

9 The numbers on the clocks are ...

- A** British
- B** Arabic
- C** Roman

10 To go up to the top you have to ...

- A** pay £3,34
- B** have a lot of time
- C** walk up 334 steps

EJERCICIO 2**THE CHRISTMAS MARKET**

www.listen-to-english.com

You will hear a man talking about a Christmas Market. For questions 1 – 10, choose the correct answer. **DON'T FORGET TO TRANSFER ALL YOUR ANSWERS TO THE ANSWER SHEET.**

- 1 There are Christmas markets in Germany and several ...**
- A English towns
 - B Austrian cities
 - C European countries
- 2 Visitors go to these markets to buy presents and to ...**
- A have fun
 - B explore the city
 - C see famous people
- 3 The market in Birmingham is the ... outside Germany and Austria.**
- A busiest
 - B biggest
 - C most interesting
- 4 Some of the people who sell in the market are from ...**
- A Vienna
 - B Frankfurt
 - C other cities in the UK
- 5 In the market, you can buy ...**
- A beer from Austria
 - B decorations and food
 - C toys from Birmingham
- 6 The Christmas market is full of visitors ... and at weekends.**
- A at lunchtime
 - B in the mornings
 - C in the evenings

7 A few years ago, ... tried to substitute the market but there were protests so nothing changed.

- A** people
- B** the police
- C** politicians

8 There are ... other markets in Birmingham.

- A** a few
- B** many
- C** hardly any

9 There is a market where you can buy ...

- A** clothes
- B** animals
- C** Christmas CDs

10 The speaker thinks the Christmas market is ... the other markets.

- A** bigger than
- B** the same as
- C** more interesting than

EJERCICIO 1: BIG BEN

Jackie: So, Richard **150 podcasts! (1A)**

Richard: Yes, and for this week's podcasts in english.com we're talking about **150 years of Big Ben! (1A)** On 31 May **1859(2B)** the clock started ticking and on 11 July 1859 the bells rang for the first time.

[sound of Big Ben's]

Jackie: But Big Ben isn't just popular with tourists. You know um... last year it was named Britain's most popular sight.

Richard: Yes, now many people think that Big Ben is the clock tower...

Jackie: Mmm

Richard: ...but in fact it's **the name of the largest bell in the tower (3B)**. And it's very big! It's 2.2 metres high and 2.7 metres in diameter. It's heavy too of course; it weighs 13.7 tons.

Jackie: Wow, that's heavy! Now um... there are four... there are four other bells, aren't there?

Richard: **Yes, five bells altogether (4C)**. Now what's interesting about the bells is that normally bells move to ring...

Jackie: They... they um...they swing from side to side.

Richard: Yes, but **the Big Ben's bells don't move (5A)**, there are fixed and there's a hammer on each bell and the hammer hits the bell.

Jackie: Mmm. And for me, I think, another interesting thing is that, although the clock and the bells are really old, 150 years, **they always tell the exact time (6B)**. The clock, I think, is at the most only one second wrong – **that's better than your modern watch (7B)**, Richard!

Richard: Definitely. And er... Big Ben is clockwork; it's not electronic. Er... the keeper of the clock makes sure the time is correct and **he winds the clock three times a week (8B)**.

Jackie: Now the tower has four clocks...

Richard: Yes, the tower is square and there's a clock dial on each side. And they're big too...

Jackie: Mmm, they are four metres in diameter and the numbers... the numbers er... **Roman numbers (9C)**, on the clock, they're 60cm high.

Richard: Yes, easy to see from a long way off.

Jackie: Exactly. And the tower itself is 94 metres high and 12 metres square. Richard, have you ever walked to the top of the tower?

Richard: [laughs] No, but you need to be quite fit. To see the bells in the tower **you need to climb 334 steps (10C)**.

Jackie: 334? Woah, no thanks!

[sound of Big Ben]

EJERCICIO 2: THE CHRISTMAS MARKET

In December, in many towns in Germany **and other countries in northern Europe (1C)**, there are Christmas markets. Some of them are very famous, and tourists come from a long distance to explore the markets, buy Christmas gifts and **enjoy the atmosphere (2A)**. Here in Birmingham we have our own German Christmas market. In fact, the German market in Birmingham is the **largest German market outside Germany and Austria (3B)**. Most of the stall-holders come to Birmingham from **Frankfurt (4B)**, which is one of Birmingham's twin cities. In the market you can buy **Christmas decorations (5B)**, candles, little wooden toys for children, German bread, **cakes and biscuits, sweets (5B)**, mulled wine and German beer. There is a roundabout where children can have a ride (and grown-ups too, if they want). There are coloured lights in the trees and on the stalls. The market is popular with people in Birmingham. **In the evenings (6C)** and at weekends, it is crowded with visitors. A few years ago some local **politicians (7C)** tried to replace the German market with a British craft fair, but there was a public outcry and the plan was quickly dropped. **There are lots of other markets in Birmingham (8B)**. There is a big fruit and vegetable market where many people go to buy food. There is an indoor market where you can buy **clothes (9B)**, material, hand-tools, CDs, meat, fish and many other things. And there are several Farmers Markets, where you can buy food produced in the area around Birmingham. **But the German Christmas market is special! (10C)**