### Dictation

### Module 1 (1a,1b)

1. Vladikavkaz is both a historic and modern town. It has got a lot of beautiful buildings, busy streets and clean quiet parks.

- 2. Road signs give information to drivers and help to stop bad driving.
- 3. Traffic lights, zebra crossings and pavements are all features of a city or a town.
- 4. The programme features video footage from street cameras and focuses on road crimes.
- 5. Stop channel hopping and choose some feature film with a catchy title.
- 6. The narrator with a typical voice-over draws the viewer into the action.
- 7. It's quicker if you take the tunnel through the mountain.
- 10. 8. When you get off the bus, walk along Main Street towards the clock tower.

9. You can exercise in a gym, skate in an ice rink or go on rides in an amusement park in your free time.

There is a bowling alley in our local area. It offers reasonable entrance prices and can cater to children's parties.

- 11. The water park near our house is open every day except Monday.
- 12. You should treat yourself to a new outfit in this trendy shop.

### **Dictation 1c,e**

- 1) A cable car takes people up and down steep streets.
- 2) A road trip along the Pacific coast is the most impressive.
- 3) We enjoy seeing spectacular cliffs and sandy beaches.
- 4) During the breeding season female elephant seals give birth to their pups in Alaska.
- 5) This fairytale mansion includes a lot of rooms.
- 6) To survive your trip in the jungle, you should follow some tips.
- 7) There are a lot of poisonous spiders and snakes in the swamp whose bites can be fatal.
- 8) People say mud bogs can swallow anything.
- 9) If you fall into a mud bog, you shouldn't panic, but lie flat and crawl out carefully.
- 10) We often drive to the countryside to escape from the city.
- 11) The ground shakes during the earthquake.
- 12) Use insect repellent so you don't get stung by bugs.
- 13) These reptiles hide without moving.
- 14) Bubbles on the water can be an alligator ready for lunch.

15) If you get caught in a flash flood, climb a tree.

### Dictation

# Module 1 (1f, 1g, 1i)

1. My friend lives in a detached house which has two storeys and a spectacular view of the mountains.

- 2. Our family owns a small cottage near the sea where we go on holiday.
- 3. The city centre is much more crowded than the suburbs.
- 4. My neighbourhood is so noisy that sometimes I can't sleep at night.

5. I have to do some chores at home. They are doing the washing up, dusting the furniture and taking out the rubbish.

- 6. Do you mind ironing the clothes? I'm sorry, but I have to hoover the carpets.
- 7. My sister hates mopping the floors but she has to do this twice a week.

8. To be a good citizen, you must obey rules and laws, be involved in community activities and care for the environment.

- 9. I always wait for my turn in queues and try to be polite to the staff in shops.
- 10. A community centre is a place where people can take up a new hobby.

11. A good driver obeys the road signs and respects pedestrians.

12. Russia is a huge country and there are a lot interesting places to visit, Saint Petersburg is at the top of the list.

- 13. Nearly every Russian city has the Central Park of Leisure and Culture with its attractions.
- 14. In the winter kids enjoy sleighing down a steep snowy hill for fun.

# Dictation 2a

- 1) Menton is a picturesque resort town in the south of France.
- 2) Every year the people of Menton celebrate a three-week long lemon festival that attracts a lot of visitors.
- 3) Using tons of lemons and oranges artists design and create amazing huge statues that can measure over 10 metres.
- 4) They let their imaginations wild when they make giant bananas or dinosaurs.
- 5) At a Daily Citrus exposition visitors can buy fresh local products.
- 6) There are also floats carrying citrus statues through the town in the Parade of Golden Fruit.
- At night people gather to watch colourful parades and fireworks.
  2b
- 1) Eating a lot of junk food can make you put on weight.
- 2) Do you like fizzy drinks like cola or lemonade?
- 3) You can find delicious cakes in the bakery section of the supermarket.
- 4) I need two kilos of minced beef for the party tonight.
- 5) Unfortunately, I have left my purse at home.
- 6) Where can I find the drinks aisle here?2c,d
- 1) In the UK there are a lot of interesting places where you can have a meal or grab a snack to suit every taste.
- 2) Chippies are takeaway shops selling deep fried fish in batter and chopped potatoes.
- 3) You can also get a range of pies, sauces and side dishes with various combinations there.
- 4) In traditional cafes visitors can order delicious sandwiches, soup, jacket potatoes and a wide range of cooked meals.
- 5) Britain is a multi-cultural society with a lot of ethnic cuisines.
- 6) Indian restaurants serve chicken, prawns and meat with rice.
- 7) In Chinese restaurants you can order sweet and sour pork, chicken with cashew nuts or beef in black bean sauce.
- The most popular dishes in Italian restaurants are pizza and spaghetti.
  2e
- 1) Jamie is a celebrity chef who travels around the world to discover new food recipes.
- 2) His food revolution aims to reduce diseases and help people live longer and healthier lives.
- 3) He believes that sugar and junk food are major causes of obesity among children.
- 4) So Jamie is campaigning to change eating habits of schoolchildren through his own show.
- 5) The chef tours schools in his huge truck and demonstrates how to cook healthy meals using fresh produce.
- 6) He has enough experience to offer free cooking lessons to people of different communities.
- 7) Many celebrities support him in his desire to change the school lunch system.

# 2 fghi

- 1) Good quality dark chocolate can lower cholesterol.
- 2) Besides, it has a positive effect on your feelings.
- 3) I always make my own salad dressing by adding lemon juice to a small amount of olive oil.

- 4) Food companies like using words "fat free" on their labels.
- 5) Unfortunately, they replace fat with sugar and salt to give flavour to the produce.
- 6) Eggs are a good source of protein, but boiled eggs are healthier than fried ones.
- 7) Eating lean red meat a couple of times a week will help your body to get enough iron and protein.
- 8) To make a traditional Brazilian spicy seafood dish you should chop onions, tomatoes and peppers and fry them with some garlic.
- 9) Then you add some fish and boil everything for a few minutes.
- 10) Don't forget to stir the dish.
- 11) This delicious stew is served with rice.
- 12) The brain commands our nervous system and controls our behaviour.
- 13) Without muscles we couldn't move, breath, pump blood around our body or digest food.
- 14) To build and repair muscles we need protein.
- 15) The human skeleton supports and protects our body.
- 16) Calcium in dairy products keeps our bones healthy.
- 17) Our skin is our natural covering which gives us a sense of touch.

### Food of the Tsars

- 1) Caviar is the salted eggs of sturgeon.
- 2) Russia is known for its high quality caviar.
- 3) First, Russians didn't like its taste, but later they have become the main consumers of caviar.
- 4) Each yearn Russian tsars received about 11 tons of the best fishermen's produce.
- 5) Nowadays it is quite expensive and is served mainly at holiday feasts and special occasions.

### **Dictation 3abcefi**

- 1. He was very intelligent and curious and achieved incredible things in his lifetime.
- 2. Only a few finished paintings of this talented artist survived.
- 3. Most people consider him to be the greatest painter who ever lived.
- 4. His notebooks contain accurate maps and detailed sketches for a whole range of inventions.
- 5. Many of his ideas were centuries ahead of their time.
- 6. He designed many working machines for war, industry and transport.
- 7. His sketch, which shows the perfect proportions of the human body, is possibly the best-known drawing in the world.
- 8. These people led their countries, fought against great armies, explored new lands and did amazing things.
- 9. According to the legend she stabbed herself.
- 10. He won a lot of battles and conquered most of the known world.
- 11. People sailed from England for a better life to the newly discovered land.
- 12. Bad weather made the voyage very difficult and many of the pilgrims became ill.
- 13. In the fall they had a big feast with all the foods from their first harvest.
- 14. They settled in that area and the natives taught them how to hunt and grow crops.
- 15. This celebration soon became a very important American tradition.
- 16. He could travel six miles from hilltop to hilltop with one step.
- 17. People all over the world enjoy telling terrifying and mysterious stories.
- 18. He fell in love with a young girl but she didn't want to marry him and tried to get rid of him for good.
- 19. She asked him to fill up a hole in a nearby cliff with his blood.
- 20. He saw the woman from his dream in a hut floating on the water.
- 21. She grabbed the young man and dived into the water with him.
- 22. Locals say you can still see red stains on the cliffs.
- 23. A thief once stole this famous painting from the museum and caused international scandal.

- 24. The museum was going to reopen its doors to the public.
- 25. He entered the empty hall, unhooked the paining and carried it off down a stairwell.
- 26. Only the following day they realised that the precious artwork was missing.
- 27. The only clue was the discovery of the painting's heavy frame discarded on the stairs.
- 28. There were conflicting rumours in the newspapers.
- 29. No one knew who really committed the crime and why.
- 30. The guard on duty admitted leaving his post for a few minutes.
- 31. The police caught him when he attempted to sell the painting.
- 32. He served a short prison sentence and then opened a paint shop in his hometown.
- 33. He worked with his father as a weaver, but the sea was always his real passion.
- 34. It was dangerous to sail to Asia around the southern tip of Africa.
- 35. He tried to find a new trade route.
- 36. The King and Queen gave him supplies, men and three sailing ships for the voyage.
- 37. He arrived safely back with plants, gold, cloth and other riches.
- 38. This brave sailor died without knowing the importance of what he found out on is voyages.
- 39. This famous navigator wanted to establish direct communication between Russia and China.
- 40. His reports were very important to the world so they were translated into several languages including English and French.
- 41. With the permission of the tsar, they set sail in August.

### **Dictation 4a**

- 1) If you are looking for adventure, go to a family holiday village in Sherwood Forest.
- 2) The village is set in a stunning landscape of trees, lakes and streams.
- 3) The village offers a lot of exciting indoor and outdoor activities for the whole family.
- 4) You can take the plunge and learn scuba diving with an instructor.
- 5) You will have bubbles of fun if you take sailing and windsurfing lessons.
- 6) Also, you can try your hand at archery and creep through the forest spotting targets to shoot at.
- 7) A forest ranger will teach to identify trees those who enjoy trekking.
- 8) Fun never stops at Sherwood Forest Center Parcs.

### **Dictation 4c**

- 1) Yellowstone National Park offers a wonderful adventure.
- 2) It covers an area of almost 9000 square kilometres.
- 3) The whole park sits on top of a huge volcano.
- 4) The volcano erupted 640000 years ago.
- 5) If it erupts again, it will destroy the western USA.
- 6) The park is famous for its thermal pools, hot springs, geysers and impressive waterfalls.
- 7) There is also a deep canyon with beautiful hiking trails in the park.
- 8) Watch out for wildlife such as wolves, elk, bison and grizzly bear.
- 9) Enjoy your visit to this spectacular place!

### **Dictation 4e**

- 1) When tourists dive off the beautiful peninsula near Cancun, they don't believe their eyes.
- 2) They see amazing sculptures on the bottom of the sea, 8 metres below the waves.
- 3) This underwater sculpture park was created by Jason Taylor.
- 4) The sculptor creates statues from cement.
- 5) He hopes they will encourage people to think about the environment because pollution and visitors are damaging the coral reefs.
- 6) Jason models the statues after local people.
- 7) Divers who live in the area may recognize a statue someone they know.
- 8) These sculptures attract sea creatures and encourage coral to grow on them.

- 9) Eventually there will be hundreds of life-size sculptures of cyclists, office workers and pets instead of damaged reefs.
- 10) All you need to visit this park is to put on flippers and snorkel.
- 11) If you visit this stunning place, you will have bubbles of fun and pleasure.

### **Dictation 4F**

- 1) Sydney is one of the most beautiful cities in the world.
- 2) Its pleasant climate, rich history and cosmopolitan atmosphere encourage thousands of people to visit it.
- 3) Visitors can experience its stunning views and splendours from the Harbour bridge.
- 4) Sydney has some of cultural and historical sites which belong to the World Heritage.
- 5) If you visit the Sydney Observatory, you'll learn how to find and identify stars, and why the moon is upside down.
- 6) A trip to Taronga Zoo is an experience not to be missed.
- 7) The zoo offers an opportunity to see giraffes, turtles, tigers, koalas and even Tasmanian devil.
- 8) You can even stay overnight in a tent and really get a feel for the jungle.
- 9) If you like to play pirates, you should go on a treasure hunt with your classmates and find a treasure chest with goodies.
- 10) Those who enjoy riding the waves should head down to surfers' paradise at Bondi beach and get into the true spirit of Australia.
- 11) There are several great surf schools where you will learn the basics and enjoy the thrill of surfing.
- 12) A trip to Sydney promises you an impressive adventure and a fantastic time!

### Dictation 4i

- 1) Camping is a fantastic way to explore the countryside but it has some dangers.
- 2) But you should be a responsible camper to protect the environment and keep yourself safe.
- 3) Before setting out, check the weather forecast and take the right emergency equipment including a first aid kit and a whistle.
- 4) Carrying bottles of water may be a hassle but it is safer than drinking water from streams.
- 5) Be careful with what you eat!
- 6) Canned food or food in sealed containers is a good option as the summer heat can spoil it quickly and easily.
- 7) Build a campfire far away from your tent, trees or bushes.
- 8) Then make sure to put out the fire properly by pouring water over it or covering it with soil.
- 9) Wild animals are fascinating but leave them alone.
- 10) Remember to put all leftover in sealed bin bags, otherwise wild animals will get interested in

# DICTATION. Module 5a, b

- 1. I arrived there with a volunteer team a few days after the terrible earthquake.
- 2. The earthquake destroyed most of the buildings and affected many people.
- 3. The island suffers from hurricanes and floods every year.
- 4. Our team's first challenge was clearing the rubble, which was everywhere.
- 5. Rescue teams come from far away places.
- 6. Volunteers helped to clear the main roads so that medical supplies and food should get through.
- 7. On Tuesday a rescue team pulled a little boy out from the rubble.

- 8. The United Nations offered a small wage to the people for helping to clean up the streets.
- 9. They live in terrible conditions in tents with no toilets or running water.
- 10. The earthquake also caused tsunamis in nearby fishing villages.
- 11. The tsunami damaged beaches and even swept homes out to sea.
- 12. Together, hopefully, we can rebuild the city after this awful destructive disaster.
- 13. Have you ever wanted to achieve something really amazing in life?
- 14. The whole story of Greg began with a failure.
- 15. He set out to climb the world's second highest mountain, but never made it to the top.
- 16. After a few days he stumbled into a small village, injured and hungry.
- 17. The villagers looked after him for several days.
- 18. The village school had no roof and the children wrote on the ground with sticks.
- 19. He went back to the USA to raise some money for the school.
- 20. Greg believes that poverty, illiteracy and ignorance cause many problems in the world.
- 21. That's why he organized a lot of campaigns to fight these issues and won many peace awards.
- 22. He even wrote a thrilling best-selling book about his stories.

#### **Dictation 5ce**

1)Comic Relief is a popular charity event which takes place every two years.

2)In 1958 a famous British writer organised this holiday of laughter to raise money for the terrible

famine and poverty.

3)Since then it has supported many different causes.

4)People can wear a silly outfit or a red clown nose to help collect donations.

5)There are also lots of comedy shows on TV and viewers can call and make donations.

6)Everything aims to make people laugh.

7)Groups of celebrities record songs, appear in comedy sketches and even climb the world's highest mountain to help raise money for charity.

8)There are thousands of endangered species in the world and at least one species dies out every year.

9)A lot of people go on a working holiday to take part in animal conservation projects.

10) Observation teams do research in rainforests to save endangered animals.

11) They record new births, their location and activities, monitor the babies, patrol the beaches and

do a survey of nests.

12) We lose animals because of many reasons.

13) For example, pink river dolphin swims in polluted waters and gets caught in fishermen's nets.

14) Cross river gorillas die out because of deforestation that has destroyed their habitats.

15) Besides, poachers hunt them for meat.

16) Loggerhead turtles also need help.

17) Thousands of female turtles lay their eggs in the sand on the beach and tourists damage their nests by accident.

18) Tourists also leave rubbish like plastic bags that the turtles mistake for food.

19) There is no doubt that the work of volunteers is very tiring and can be a challenging experience.

20) However, they can enjoy sounds of the jungle relaxing in hammocks or see spectacular sunrises

at dawn.

### Dictation 5f

1) In 2007 Dave became the first person to set a new world record by skating across Australia a total of 6000 kilometres.

- 2) He travelled on average 60 km per day.
- 3) The journey took him five months, thirteen pairs of shoes and a dozen tubes of sunscreen.
- 4) He also went through great physical pain and got extremely sore feet.
- 5) During the journey he travelled across the Australian desert where temperatures reached 48 degrees in the day.
- 6) He had a serious accident when he jumped on a piece of metal that cut through his heel.
- 7) He also had a nasty fall down a hill where he banged his head hard on the pavement and twisted his ankle.
- 8) Dave believed in making his dream come true, that's why he quit his job and decided to go on a journey.
- 9) Also, Dave created an association that would raise money for charities.
- 10) He wrote a book and motivated others to follow in his footsteps.

# **Dictation 5i**

- 1) There are five oceans on the Earth.
- 2) They cover the greater part of the Earth's surface.
- 3) They are very important for our survival because they make up 97 per cent of its water supply.
- 4) Thousands of species of seabirds, sea creatures and plants live above and below the waves and feed from the oceans.
- 5) Our oceans are full of amazing beauty, from colourful coral reef to majestic whales.
- 6) The oceans help to control wind patterns and rainfall.
- 7) Ocean currents move heat around the world and take carbon dioxide out of the air.
- 8) Unfortunately, pollution from factories is poisoning fish.
- 9) Plastic rubbish and overfishing also make the number of fish fewer.
- 10) To save our precious oceans we should recycle rubbish so it doesn't end up in the sea.

# Dictation Siberian tiger

- 1) The Siberian Tiger is the largest cat species on the Earth.
- 2) They live in southeastern region of Russia.
- 3) This huge powerful animal can grow up to three metres in length and weigh up to 300 kilos.
- 4) It has a long thick striped coat that keeps it warm in winter and helps to camouflage itself.
- 5) It has large powerful legs that enable it to run very fast.
- 6) Its hind legs make it a good jumper.
- 7) The Siberian Tiger is a carnivore and hunts deer, bear, fish and mice.
- 8) The Siberian Tiger has suffered from deforestation and poaching and is an endangered species.
- 9) It is estimated that the population of the Siberian Tiger is about 450 individuals.

10) We should help this great animal to survive.

# **Dictation 6a**

- 1) A group of farmers was digging a well when they uncovered a life-sized statue ready for battle.
- 2) Later archaeologists excavated the area and revealed a whole army of terracotta soldiers undisturbed for thousands of years.
- 3) These statues were made to guard the Emperor's tomb.
- 4) In ancient China the dead were buried with their possessions.
- 5) So the Emperor wanted to take all his belongings including his army into the afterlife.
- 6) Hundreds of thousands of men built this elaborate treasure- filled tomb surrounded by an army of clay soldiers until his death.
- 7) Each soldier is unique and has its own facial expressions and features.

- 8) They are of different heights and builds with moustaches and beards.
- 9) The statues are lined in pits alongside bronze horses, chariots and armoury of weapons.
- 10) The splendour of the burial site shows how important the Emperor was.
- 11) During his reign he made the written language, the money and the law the same for everybody.
- 12) He also brought the states together to form the first empire and built the first great fortresses.
- 13) Despite his importance and power after the emperor's death his tomb was forgotten and remained untouched.
- 14) Today the tomb is a protected UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site.
- 15) Any visitor will be amazed by the spectacular terracotta army.

#### **Dictation 6b**

- 1) Huge roadside attractions bring an element of surprise and humour and come in different shapes and sizes.
- 2) The world's biggest dinosaur is located in Canada and is made of fiberglass and steel.
- 3) This creature is toured by thousands of visitors every year.
- 4) The visitors are entertained all the way up to 106 steps inside the dinosaur.
- 5) Dinosaur bones and fossils have been put on display in cases lining the stairway.
- 6) The walls are painted with beautiful murals.
- 7) The fantastic view from the mouth of the beast makes the whole climb worthwhile.
- 8) Another popular tourist roadside attraction is built at a pineapple plantation and wildlife reserve in Australia.
- 9) There you can see koalas, kangaroos and emus or take a ride on the Nutmobile.
- 10) Anyone who has a sweet tooth will be dazzled by the selection of sweet treats.
- 11) A giant lion's head is easy to notice.
- 12) It is carved out of limestone.
- 13) Snacks, drinks and miniature souvenirs can be bought in nearby stalls.
- 14) Tourists always pose for a photo near this mighty beast.

### **Dictation 6c**

- 1) The sound of the traditional musical instrument of Aboriginal Australians announces the beginning of Garma Festival.
- 2) This annual celebration of Aboriginal culture is a call to all people to come together in unity.
- 3) Aboriginal Australians have lived on the continent for many centuries and had their own language.
- 4) When Europeans arrived, many tribes lost their land and many of them died.
- 5) Luckily, their culture survived and now is an important part of Australian life.
- 6) Aboriginal Australians believe that the landscape and the weather have a soul or a spirit.
- 7) Aboriginal art is famous for handmade boomerangs, valuable bark paintings and carefully constructed dot paintings which hang in art galleries.
- 8) During the festival people from different backgrounds gather to share knowledge, highlight the past and raise awareness about the future.
- 9) They also discuss the ways of investing in the native people and their land.
- 10) The attendance to the festival is by invitations only.

### **Dictation 6 e**

- 1) The sun shimmers on the water as gondoliers steer their boats along the canals.
- 2) There are no cars to disturb the charm of the scene.
- 3) The Grand Canal is an extraordinary enormous shopping mall in Las Vegas.
- 4) Every year millions of visitors arrive at this indoor mall to experience an authentic Venetian shopping.
- 5) It mirrors the floating city of Venice paying attention to detail.

- 6) Inside the mall, you can see some amazing ceiling art inspired by famous Italian artists.
- 7) There is the fantastic atmosphere as you stroll past the shops selling the finest clothes of Italian designers, souvenirs, carnival masks and costumes.
- 8) You will be serenaded by the sweet violins of street musicians.
- 9) The living statues line the sides of the canal and pose by the doors of exclusive fashion boutiques.
- 10) All canals lead to the star attraction of the mall at twilight.
- 11) All this will definitely inspire you to visit the real Venice.