

## Sightseeing in London

## Task 1

Complete the sentences (1–3) with the correct endings (A–C).

- If you buy a London Sightseeing Pass,
- If you have a London Sightseeing Pass with a Travelcard,
- If you need further information about the London Sightseeing Pass,

- A. go to [www.londontown.com](http://www.londontown.com).  
 B. you can visit lots of attractions at a reduced price.  
 C. you can travel for free on the London Underground and on all London buses.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

## Task 2

Look at the price list. How much will the people below have to pay?

VALID FOR:	LONDON SIGHTSEEING PASS		WITH TRAVELCARD	
	ADULT	CHILD (5 to 15)	ADULT	CHILD (5 to 15)
1 day	£ 36	£ 25	£ 44	£ 27
2 days	£ 50	£ 37	£ 65	£ 41
3 days	£ 62	£ 42	£ 84	£ 48
6 days	£ 81	£ 58	£ 128	£ 80

- Father, mother with two kids, 14 and 11 years old. They want to spend two days travelling around London and visiting all the interesting sights and attractions.

If they buy four London Sightseeing Passes with Travelcards, it'll cost them £ \_\_\_\_\_.

- Mother and 13-year-old daughter will be in London for nearly a week. They want to visit friends and relatives all over London, go sightseeing and visit lots of interesting places.

If \_\_\_\_\_, they'll pay £ \_\_\_\_\_.

- Grandfather and his two 15-year-old grandsons want to drive to London for a day. Granddad is interested in visiting the British Museum. The boys want to spend their time at the big go-kart track in the Docklands.

If \_\_\_\_\_, it'll cost £ \_\_\_\_\_.

- Alison will start her new job in a London bank next month. She wants to spend a week looking for a flat. She also wants to get to know London and visit some interesting attractions.

If \_\_\_\_\_, she'll pay £ \_\_\_\_\_.

## Teenage problems

### Task

Read the letters from the problem page of a teenager magazine and then identify the authors.

Some kids at school call me 'Four-Eyes'. I'm good at sports and I like playing football, but nobody wants me on their team.

Alan B., Plymouth

I'd like to wear nice clothes and make-up like the other girls in my class. But my father won't allow it. I have to wear traditional clothes.

Suleima S., Bradford

Most kids at school are OK, but there are one or two nasty ones. One kid told me that I should go back to where I came from. He really thought I came from Africa! My dad thought it was very funny. 'What? All the way to Liverpool?' he said. That's where I was born.

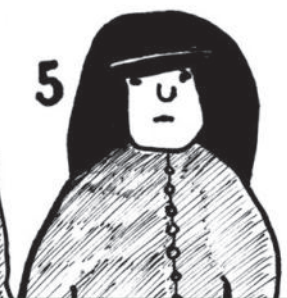
Harry P., Milton Keynes

I'm 16 and I still haven't got a boyfriend. All the girls in my class go out with someone, but boys don't even look at me. It's awful! I feel like a freak!

Mandy D., Glasgow

School is a nightmare. Everyone makes fun of me and calls me names because I'm overweight. The boys in my class won't play with me and the girls won't sit next to me.

George F., Nottingham



## Dr Death

## Task 1

Read the following text and the information box carefully. Highlight any words that you don't understand. Then compare your results with a partner.

### Nine-year-old girl finds both parents dead

Mr Adrian McCorkell, a paramedic, told the inquest that he was sent to a flat in Frankley, Worcester after the emergency services received a 999 call from a young girl. He arrived at 9.53 a.m. and the door was opened by a young girl who was in a "very distressed state". He entered the house and when he asked her to show him where her mother was, she pointed to a door at the end of the hall. Mr McCorkell said he found the body of Ms Van Hagen in the bedroom. "She had no pulse and it was obvious that she had been dead for some time."

The young girl then took him to the living room where he found the lifeless body of Mr Worton, the girl's stepfather. The body had been covered by a sheet. "The little girl was crying. I found her coat in the hall and put it around her shoulders. Just then a team of police officers arrived."

Dr Alexander Kolar, a police pathologist, told the court of inquest the results of his post mortem investigation. Both Ms Van Hagen and Mr Worton had taken lethal doses of paramethoxyamphetamine (PMA), also known as Dr Death or Pink Ecstasy. Mr Worton had also drunk "a considerable amount" of alcohol.

Coroner Louise Hunt declared a verdict of accidental death due to a drug overdose, principally PMA.

#### 'Party' drugs

PMA, nicknamed 'Dr Death' for its lethal side-effects, has claimed the lives of 35 young people in the United Kingdom since January, 2014. The pills, which are available for as little as £3 each, are often pink and shaped like the sweets called 'Love Hearts' and they are stamped with an 'M'.

The amphetamine is also known as 'Pink Ecstasy', but it contains a different active ingredient which makes it as much as five times stronger.

PMA also takes longer to have an effect than Ecstasy, which means some users take more and accidentally give themselves fatal overdoses.

The youngest victim was 16-year-old Ellie Jones, who died after suffering breathing difficulties at a friend's house in Warrington.

PMA has also been linked to the deaths of eight revellers at a rave party in Canada and there have been other deaths in most European countries.



Love Hearts

## A fantastic trick

## Task 1

Fill in the missing words from the box below.

at audiences material cruise back  
back up out reef flowers on  
magician mediocre parrot for up

Andy Douglas wasn't the world's best \_\_\_\_\_<sup>1</sup>. In fact, he wasn't really very good at all. Andy knew this himself. He was only a \_\_\_\_\_<sup>2</sup> magician, but that was good enough. He worked on a small \_\_\_\_\_<sup>3</sup> ship and he had been doing the same show for ten years. The \_\_\_\_\_<sup>4</sup> liked him and were satisfied with the show. There were new people every week and so Andy didn't have to try out new \_\_\_\_\_<sup>5</sup>. He had been doing the same old tricks \_\_\_\_\_<sup>6</sup> ten years. But not everyone in the audience was happy. Near the stage was a big cage with a \_\_\_\_\_<sup>7</sup> in it. Its name was Einstein because it was so clever. Einstein had watched every one of Andy's shows for ten years and had worked \_\_\_\_\_<sup>8</sup> all the tricks. He often told the audience how they worked. When Andy made a bouquet of \_\_\_\_\_<sup>9</sup> disappear, the parrot would shout out, "Behind his back! Behind his back!" This made Andy really angry, but he couldn't fight \_\_\_\_\_<sup>10</sup> because the parrot belonged to the captain of the cruise ship. Andy just had to grin and put \_\_\_\_\_<sup>11</sup> with it.

One day in the Caribbean there was a big storm and the cruise ship ran onto a \_\_\_\_\_<sup>12</sup> and sank. Andy swam to a broken mast and hung \_\_\_\_\_<sup>13</sup>. The parrot was also on the mast. Einstein and Andy stared at each other and Einstein stepped \_\_\_\_\_<sup>14</sup> out of Andy's reach. They didn't speak for two days. On the morning of the third day the parrot looked \_\_\_\_\_<sup>15</sup> the magician and said, "OK. I give \_\_\_\_\_<sup>16</sup>! Where did you hide the ship?"

Task 2  "Track 8"

Now listen to the story and check your text.