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Module F

PART I: ACCESS TO INFORMATION FROM WRITTEN TEXTS (60 points)

Read the text below and then answer questions 1-6.

ANDY WILSON, VOICE ACTOR

Back when he was in high school, Andy Wilson liked to amuse his friends by mimicking the voices on radio commercials and news broadcasts. Nowadays he is using his skill to make a living. At 34, Wilson is a successful voice actor whose voice has been heard-by millions of people throughout the USA. Last week he Spoke
5 to our reporter at a recording studio in Los Angeles.

Most of us have never heard of “voice acting.” What exactly do you do?

Voice actors portray a whole range of different characters and emotions using only their voices. In my case, the work mainly involves providing the voices for radio commercials, but from time to time I’m lucky enough to be asked to record a
10 children’s story, which gives me a chance to do a wide variety of voices. Every role presents its Own Unique challenge. Fortunately, like most voice actors I have a good ear for the way people speak, so whenever I need to invent a voice "for a new role, I can mimic the intonations and accents I've picked up in conversations around me.

**You've just finished a 10-hour recording session. is that what your day normally
15 looks like?**

More or less. Professional voice actors often spend long days in the recording studio. We start by reading through the text we’re going to record and familiarizing ourselves with our lines, and afterwards we read our parts out loud and get feedback from the director. There usually isn’t much time to rehearse so we have to produce high-quality

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20 performances without much practice, which can be quite tricky. In fact, once we start
the actual recording, it's rare for us to get everything right on the first attempt.

Do you remember your first job?

It was a very small role, but what I remember most vividly is that it took me almost a
year to get it. I made recordings of the most dramatic voices I could do and submitted
25 them to dozens of agencies. Still, it was months before I was even asked to do an
audition because most directors are reluctant to take a chance on a newcomer.
But once you get your first job, more offers usually come in. At least that's how it was
for me. And I must say I'm very glad I didn't give up despite all the rejection letters
I received that first year. The diversity in my work ensures no two days are alike. So
30 here I am, actually making money doing something I love.

(Adapted from "Voice actor." <http://www.bls.gov/opub/ooq/2009/summer/yawhat.htm>)

QUESTIONS (60 points)

Answer questions 1-6 in English, according to the text. In questions 1 and 3, circle the number of the correct answer. In the other questions, follow the instructions.

1. What can we understand about Andy from the introduction (lines 1-5)?

- (i) At what age he started working.
- (ii) What radio programs he worked on.
- (iii) Where he studied voice acting.
- (iv) Why he became a voice actor.

(7 points)

2. What does Andy explain in his first answer? (lines 7-13)

PUT A V BY THE CORRECT ANSWERS.

- i) Why people haven't heard of voice acting.
- ii) How voice actors get new roles.
- iii) Which type of work he prefers to do.
- iv) Why he works mainly in commercials.
- v) How he uses his talent in his work.
- vi) What characters are easiest to portray.

(2x8=16 points)

3. In his second answer (lines 16-21), Andy describes .

- (i) the most important part of a recording
- (ii) the various stages in making a recording
- (iii) the different ways of making a recording
- (iv) the types of texts used in a recording

(7 points)

4. What does a person need in order to be a voice actor"? Give TWO answers, according to the lines below.

COMPLETE THE ANSWERS.

Lines 7-13: The ability to.....

Lines 16-21: The ability to.....

(2x7=14 points)

5. COMPLETE THE SENTENCE.

In lines 23-25, Andy explains what he did in order to.....

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(8 points)

6. COMPLETE THE SENTENCE.

Andy mentions "diversity" (line 29) to explain Why he.....

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(8 points)

PART II: WRITTEN PRESENTATION (40 points)

Write 120-140 words in English on the following topic.

7. You are a member of a volunteer organization in your town. Write a formal letter to the mayor asking for his or her support. Explain why the organization is important to the town and what land of support It needs.

Use this page and the next (nos. 5-6) for writing a' rough draft.