PREPARING TO LISTEN

1 You are going to listen to some information about three festivals. You will hear the words in bold below. Choose the correct option to complete the definitions. Use the glossary on page 200 to help you.

1 A lecture is a book / talk given by a teacher or professor.
2 An activity is something organized for enjoyment / an exam or test.
3 Traditional activities have been done for a long time / are new in a particular country.
4 If a festival is about culture, it usually shows the customs, art, music and food / work and business of a country.
5 A band is a type of music / group of musicians.
6 A camel is a large animal usually found in the jungle / desert.
7 If something is entertainment, we do it so that we can enjoy it / learn from it.

2 Match the words in bold in Exercise 1 to the photographs (a–c). Some words can be matched to more than one photograph.

3 Match the festivals (1–3) with the photographs (a–c).

1 The Cambridge Festival of Ideas
2 The Muscat Festival of Heritage and Culture
3 Iceland Airwaves Music Festival

WHILE LISTENING

4 Listen and check your answers to Exercise 3.

5 Cross out the words that are not needed in the notes.

1 Date: the festival is in April and May.
2 Activities: you can see art and you can try cooking.
Listening and taking notes

Remember that notes should be short. If you write too much you sometimes miss the next part of the listening. Only write the most important words.

Place: the festival is in Muscat

6 Look at the tourist information brochure advertising the three different festivals. Predict the type of information in each gap.

7 Listen again and check your predictions.

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**THE MUSCAT FESTIVAL:**

Place: Muscat, Oman

Month: 6

Activities: learn traditional e.g. cycling, camel race

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**IN THE MUSCAT AIRWAYS:**

Place: Reykjavik, Iceland

Month: 5

Activities: listen to international/uni00A0bands from

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**THE FESTIVAL OF IDEAS:**

Place: Cambridge, 1

Month: 2

Activities: learn about history: dance activity learn about gravity: play listen to a on the economy

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**LISTENING AND SPEAKING SKILLS 2 UNIT 2**

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