

**worksheet**

**level 1**

Try not to look at the transcript while doing these exercises! Always read the instructions and all the information in the tasks before listening. Listen as many times as you like.

**A town called Hamilton**

**1** Listen for general meaning: listen to the whole podcast and decide if the answers to the following statements are true or false.

- a* Hamilton is a large city.
- b* Hamilton is near the coast.
- c* Hamilton has two seasons.
- d* People in Hamilton only eat British food.
- e* Kangaroos are more common than koalas.

**2** Listen again for more detail

- a* Hamilton has\_\_\_\_\_ people
- b* It's \_\_\_\_\_ hours from Melbourne
- c* What two places do people go to at the weekend?
- d* What's the weather like?
  - in winter?
  - in spring?
  - in summer?
  - in autumn?
- e* Does Leigh think Australians are very different from British people?
  - yes
  - no
- f* Food in Australia: put a tick (✓) by the British food Leigh mentions.
  - chips
  - peas
  - mashed potatoes
  - sandwiches
  - pies
  - carrots
  - chops
  - sausages
- g* Apart from British, what two other types of food does Leigh mention?
  - \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_

*h*      Underline the correct word to complete these sentences.

- Koalas are *more* / *less* / *very* common than kangaroos.
- Kangaroos are *more* / *less* / *very* common in the bush than in the city.
- In Canberra, kangaroos are *more* / *less* / *very* common.

**3**      Know your geography: choose one of the following words or phrases to complete the sentences below.

country  
country town  
mountain range  
state  
state capital

- a*      The Grampians is a \_\_\_\_\_  
*b*      Hamilton is a small \_\_\_\_\_  
*c*      Australia is a large \_\_\_\_\_  
*d*      Victoria is a \_\_\_\_\_  
*e*      Melbourne is a \_\_\_\_\_

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**answers**

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Why not look at the transcript before checking your answers?

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- 1     *a*     False, Hamilton is a small, country town.  
       *b*     True, it's only an hour away by car (that's close in Australia!).  
       *c*     False, Leigh talks about winter, spring, summer, autumn.  
       *d*     False  
       *e*     True
- 2     *a*     Hamilton has 10,000 (ten thousand) people  
       *b*     It's 3 hours from Melbourne  
       *c*     You can go to the sea (the coast) and the Grampians (a mountain range).  
       *d*  
           • in winter? - quite cold (3 or 4 degrees centigrade at night)  
           • in spring? - quite pleasant  
           • in summer? - quite hot (35 to 40 degrees centigrade)  
           • in autumn? - quite pleasant  
  
       *e*     no  
  
       *f*  
           • chips  
           • peas ✓  
           • mashed potatoes ✓  
           • sandwiches  
           • pies  
           • carrots ✓  
           • chops ✓  
           • sausages ✓  
  
       *g*  
           • French  
           • Asian  
  
       *h*  
           • Koalas are *more* / *less* / *very* common than kangaroos.  
           • Kangaroos are *more* / *less* / *very* common in the bush than in the city.  
           • In Canberra, kangaroos are *more* / *less* / *very* common.
- 3     *a*     The Grampians is a mountain range  
       *b*     Hamilton is a small, country town  
       *c*     Australia is a large country  
       *d*     Victoria is a state  
       *e*     Melbourne is a state capital