

## Exercise 7

The Australian government collects tax in a number of different ways. Firstly money is collected at source from everyone in Australia who has a job. Income tax, as this is known, can be as high as 48% for some people. Secondly, the government gains money by imposing a tax on all goods purchased or services received so that every time money changes hands a tax of 10% is paid. The term services includes anything from getting a haircut to having your house painted. Another way that the government raises money is by charging an additional tax on luxuries such as wine, tobacco or perfume. In addition to this tax on luxuries, there is a special tax on fuel which brings in a large amount of revenue for the government. Tax on petrol is also aimed at reducing the number of cars on the roads by discouraging motorists from using their cars.

## Exercise 8

a This graph shows how, over a ten-year period, money was spent on different products in Asia, Europe and the United States. The products cited in the graph are computers, radios and telephones.

b Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to ask if you have found a bag which, I believe, I left on the train when I travelled to Dover. When I arrived home I realised that my bag was missing and so I am assuming that I left it on the train. Would you mind checking in your lost property office. It's a small, black bag with a handle on the top. Inside there are some personal possessions and my certificate which I received from the English course I attended.

## SPEAKING

### Exercise 2

- 1 But first I'll have to pass several general Chemistry exams. ✓
- 2 I am really looking forward to studying in this country. ✗
- 3 My mother is a chemical engineer and so I've always been interested in the field. ✓
- 4 I expect that life at university will be very different from life at school. ✗
- 5 I'm interested in working as an industrial chemist. ✓
- 6 I'm hoping to win a scholarship. ✗

### Exercise 3

- a
- the person's appearance ✓
  - their home
  - reasons why you liked them ✓
  - the name of the person ✓
  - their hobbies ✓
  - your relationship to the person ✓

## Exercise 4

- a 2 in my opinion
- 3 I'm convinced
- 4 I don't believe ... I suppose
- 5 Personally, I believe
- 6 One of the best things about

## Test 1

### LISTENING

#### Section 1

- 1 C
- 2 C
- 3 D
- 4 McDonald/Macdonald/MacDonald
- 5 Post Office Box/PO Box 676
- 6 775431
- 7 credit card/Visa
- 8 D, F (any order)
- 9 A, F (any order)
- 10 after (the) exams

#### Section 2

- 11 473
- 12 (open) 2/two(-)seater
- 13 smooth
- 14 180 kilometres
- 15 frame (and) engine
- 16 instrument panel/instruments/stop-watch
- 17 30
- 18 light aircraft/plane
- 19 wings
- 20 rear wheels

#### Section 3

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|----------------------------|-------------------|
| 21 Out and About           | 26 A              |
| 22 (the) university/campus | 27 ✗              |
| 23 B                       | 28 South American |
| 24 C                       | 29 ✓              |
| 25 B                       | 30 ✓✓             |

#### Section 4

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|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 31 human activity/activities | 36 drought                  |
| 32 farming and drainage      | 37 irrigation               |
| 33 Dirty Thirties/30s        | 38 two-thirds               |
| 34 dry thunderstorms         | 39 salty/saline/toxic       |
| 35 machine operators         | 40 crops/plants/agriculture |