

## B1 Listening comprehension – Keys

### John and judge Dawn

1.	Where did the family live?	in a house with four rooms/ a small (piece of) land
2.	How did John differ from other 16-year-old boys?	was taller
3.	Who asked him to take his father's work place?	his mother
4.	Where was the family's corn field situated?	behind the house
5.	What work did he do in the corn field on the first day?	cleaning/ pulling out the weeds
6.	How did the mother feel that evening?	surprised
7.	What happened to some of the corn?	<b>sold</b> to judge Dawn
8.	How much money did they get for the corn?	no money
9.	How did John feel about the judge?	afraid
10.	How much money did the judge have?	much (richest person)

### A problem

11.	She suffers ... .	A. badly B. from an illness C. from the temperature	<b>B</b>
12.	They are ... .	A. a couple B. schoolmates C. colleagues	<b>C</b>
13.	The woman has to ... later today.	A. give a talk B. go shopping C. meet friends	<b>A</b>
14.	The man thinks she ... do her work now.	A. is not good enough to B. cannot C. has to	<b>B</b>
15.	She ... .	A. is in a hurry B. has symptoms C. looks great	<b>B</b>
16.	The man is describing her ... .	A. clothes B. appearance C. animal	<b>B</b>
17.	She ... .	A. feels happy B. uses make-up C. takes medication	<b>C</b>
18.	The man is unhappy because he is worried about ... .	A. getting ill B. his clothes C. his job	<b>A</b>
19.	The woman asks for ... .	A. some paper B. help C. a tissue	<b>C</b>
20.	The man wants to ... .	A. take her for a walk B. get away from her C. go back to work	<b>B</b>

## **Transcripts**

### **John and Judge Dawn**

When Charlie Haskell died he left a wife nine children. They lived on a small piece of land in a house with four rooms. John was the oldest boy. He was sixteen years old and tall for his age.

After his father died John's mother told him he would have to take care of the family. So John went into the corn field behind the small house. There was very little corn and very many weeds. His family needed corn. And corn needed room to grow.

John went down pulling and began pulling out the weeds.

When John came in for supper that night he told his mother that he had cleaned half the corn field. She was surprised, and immediately went outside to look at what he had done. While she was looking at the field she remembered that her husband had sold some corn to Judge Dawn. She also remembered that they never collected the money for the corn.

She told John to go to the Judge's house right away to get it. John was afraid of Judge Dawn. The Judge was the richest man in town. He owned a lot of land and everyone owed him money. His stone house looked like a palace.

### **A problem**

Walt: What's the matter with you?

Irene: I have a bad cold.

Walt: Why didn't you stay home from work? You're probably contagious!

Irene: I had no choice. I have an important presentation this afternoon and I can't play hooky.

Walt: You can't give a presentation in your condition. Your nose is running, your eyes are red and puffy, your voice is hoarse, and you look like you're running a fever.

Irene: Gee, thanks. I know I look terrible, but I'll get through it. I'm taking a nasal decongestant, I'm using eye drops, and I'm taking cough medicine and sucking on throat lozenges. I should be better by the time of the presentation. Ahchoo!

Walt: Oh, geez! You just sneezed all over me. You've contaminated me for sure!

Irene: Sorry. Where's the Kleenex? I need to blow my nose.

Walt: I'm out of here! You're a walking germ machine.