

## Global network

I can identify the main idea of a listening text.

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- 1 Complete the sentences with the verbs and particles below.

Verbs call carry give go set work

Particles back off off on out up

- 1 If I'm going on a long car journey, I always check the traffic reports before I \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 I've got a new SIM card for my phone, but I can't \_\_\_\_\_ how to install it.
- 3 If you make a mistake during the performance, don't stop – just \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 When the weather got really bad, they decided to \_\_\_\_\_ to their hotel.
- 5 They're going to \_\_\_\_\_ the festival because of bad weather.
- 6 Although you failed your driving test, you shouldn't \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Listening Strategy 1

Sometimes you need to listen for the main idea (gist) rather than a specific piece of information. If this is the case, do not worry about a few unknown words. You can often understand the gist without understanding every word.

- 2 **2.06** Read Listening Strategy 1. Then listen to two mobile phone calls. Ignoring the words you cannot hear, circle the best summaries.

- 1 a Mary and Mike are going to meet up that day.  
b Mary and Mike are going to speak the next day to make an arrangement.
- 2 a Tom is going to buy some food for dinner.  
b Kirstie doesn't want Tom to buy any food.

#### Listening Strategy 2

When you do a multiple-choice task, do not choose the correct answer based only on one or two words. Remember that the incorrect options also have some connection with what you hear.

- 3 **2.07** Read Listening Strategy 2. Then listen to a radio programme and circle the correct answer.

What is the programme about, in general?

- a The health effects of using mobile phones.
- b The mobile phone network in the UK.
- c The birth of the mobile phone industry.
- d The best way to get a strong mobile phone signal wherever you are.



- 4 **2.07** Listen again and circle the correct answers.

- 1 The mobile phone network was built quickly in the UK because
  - a two different phone companies were competing against each other.
  - b two different phone companies were sharing the work.
  - c a lot more people started using mobile phones than the phone companies had expected.
  - d the government spent a lot of money on it.
- 2 The main difference between microcells and base stations is that microcells
  - a are in cities, while base stations are in the countryside.
  - b are smaller and less powerful than base stations.
  - c are hidden, but base stations are visible.
  - d are on the front of buildings, but base stations are on top.
- 3 Base stations are positioned in historic town centres because
  - a they need to be close together in places with lots of buildings.
  - b there are no rules to prevent it.
  - c phone companies ignore the rules.
  - d they can easily be disguised.
- 4 More research is being done into the health effects of base stations because
  - a the results so far are not clear.
  - b there have only been one or two studies so far.
  - c some of the evidence suggests that there is a small risk to public health.
  - d people do not always believe the results.