News Items

You are going to hear 7 news items. They will be read ONCE only.
After each news item there will be a pause for you to answer the questions by choosing one of the letters A, B, C or D. After writing your answer, you may also like to look at the question which follows.

1   What is the news about chocolate?
A   It must still be associated with a bad conscience
B   It should be enjoyed by weight watchers
C   It could actually be good for you
D   It contains an ingredient vital to our health

2   What does this news item tell us about fish?
A   They need to keep a constant pressure in their bladder
B   They sometimes change direction to take in some air
C   They need a lot of extra air before surfacing
D   They regulate the amount of air inside them when required

3   What is this news item about?
A   The resettling of a village population
B   A measure of nature conservation
C   The testing of a new engine
D   A new depot for trains

4   What are we told in this news item?
A   The attitude to genetically manipulated food seems to be divided
B   Lord Melchett was convicted of damaging a maize field
C   There is unanimous resistance to GM crops in Britain
D   Lord Melchett and his campaigners attracted hooligans

Answers

1 ☐   2 ☐   3 ☐   4 ☐

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5 **Choose the most suitable headline for this report.**
A   Travel to Latin America on the Increase
B   Hispanic Building Boom in New York
C   Learning Spanish Helps Careers
D   Spanish Community faces Crisis

6 **What would be a suitable headline for the news item ?**
A   Metric Mistake Caused Heavy Loss
B   Spacecraft Now Approaching Mars
C   Metric System Confusing to Students
D   British Company to Introduce Metric System

7 **What is reported in this news item?**
A   A number of company managers fell asleep at a meeting
B   Airline pilots are threatening safety by nodding off
C   A short sleep at work is becoming accepted
D   Research has proved coffee to be the best stimulant

Answers

5 ☐   6 ☐   7 ☐

Points

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