



Exams Corner — Listening (pp.36-37)

Announcer : Your sister is reading a poem to you.

Listen to the poem and answer the questions. The poem will be read twice. Do as much as you can the first time and answer all questions the second time. You now have 30 seconds to read the questions.

The reading of the poem will begin now.

[Sister : ^① Wearing the square hat and cloak for the last time

I hugged my schoolmates and said bye

This day marked the end of my school life

Another kind of pressure is on its rise

Holding my briefcase, walking in my high heels

^② I felt the tension different from what a student feels

Interviews and questions caused so much tension

But I worried the most about whether I would get the position

^③ Trapped in a room full of quiet workers and computers

I was deeply buried in piles of papers

In the competition which time and money race

The least thing I want to see is my boss's angry face

I started my battle when the sky was ^⑥ bright

^④ Left the field with no energy late at night ^⑥

Tasting no taste in the dish

Dreaming no dream that I wish

^⑤ 'Try to think the positive, my dear child.'

Mum said with a lovely smile

'Treat any problems like a test

Believe yourself and try your very best.']

Announcer : Now listen to the poem again.

Repeat []

You have 30 seconds to check your answers.