

1 FACTS AND FIGURES

A

Do you find it easier to remember facts or figures? Look at this box for 30 seconds and memorise as much as you can.

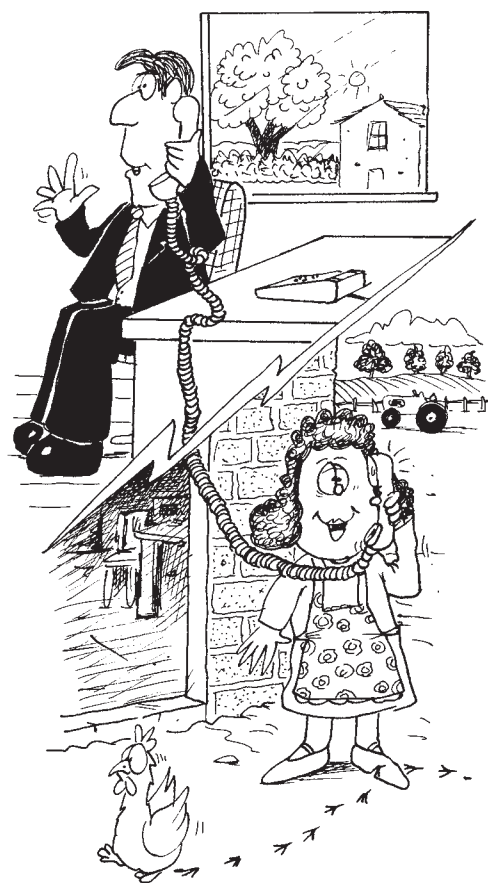
The capital of Australia is Canberra.	23 September 1913
The Globe Theatre was burned down in 1613.	4879133
Red hair is stronger than blond hair.	01772 651504

Close your book and write down what you remember, or tell your partner. If numbers are more difficult for you, can you think of any ways of making them easier to remember?

B1

A teacher wants to arrange accommodation for a group of students on a farm. Listen to his phone conversation and tick (✓) the correct sentences.

- 1 The teacher has a small group of students.
- 2 Accommodation at Mill House Barns is cheap.
- 3 Bathrooms and hot water are available.
- 4 The students are used to better living conditions.
- 5 Everything is provided.
- 6 The students are going to stay there for four nights.
- 7 It is necessary to pay in advance.
- 8 The teacher is pleased with the arrangement.



B2

Listen again and complete the teacher's notes.

Mill House Farm	Owner: _____
No. of students	_____
Cost per student	_____
What about beds?	_____
" washing facilities?	_____
" food?	Do own cooking _____
Students must bring with them	_____
No. of nights	_____
Dates	_____
Time of arrival	_____
Total cost	_____
How to pay?	_____
When?	_____

C1

Listen to the conversation about general knowledge and circle the correct answers (A, B or C).

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| 1 Who was the first man on the moon?
A Yuri Gagarin
B Buzz Aldrin
C Neil Armstrong | 4 Who sailed across the Pacific on a raft?
A Francis Chichester
B Thor Heyerdahl
C Robert Scott |
| 2 Which country has the most TV sets?
A USA
B China
C Japan | 5 How many hairs are there on the average human head?
A 1,000,000
B 1,000 C 100,000 |
| 3 What's the most expensive film ever made?
A <i>Gone with the Wind</i>
B <i>Jurassic Park</i>
C <i>Titanic</i> | 6 Who was the youngest ever Wimbledon tennis champion?
A Martina Hingis
B Boris Becker
C Michael Chang |

C2

Listen to these phrases from the recording and choose the correct words or phrases you hear from the pairs in the box.

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|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 haven't ever / haven't even | 6 no, my dear / no idea |
| 2 we only need about / we only need a boat | 7 actually / really |
| 3 shall we start / should we start | 8 on a raft / on or after |
| 4 who first stepped / who first tapped | 9 a member – him / remember him |
| 5 wouldn't they / mightn't they | 10 I should say / I should think |

D

PRONUNCIATION PRACTICE: Dates and numbers

Listen and repeat these dates and numbers after the speaker.

6 AD 1066 1872 1901 1924 the year 2000
 25th May 14th February December 11th 1st June 3rd March
 1,000,000 100,000 1,000 1,001 132 89
 13 30 15 50 17 70 18 80 19 90
 557216 643801 9473862 525813 296017 (*telephone numbers*)

Listening tip

Listen extra carefully to numbers, dates and names. Always check if you aren't sure, for example: 'Sorry, was that 16 or 60?' 'Did you say June or July?' 'Do you spell it with an i or not?' 'Is it 772138 or 772148?'