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Narrator: KS3 Listening Test

Protest

Section 3

You will hear two schoolchildren discussing the radio programme about the protest.

The recording will be played twice. Do as much as you can the first time and answer all the questions the second time.

You have 30 seconds to look at your questions.

[30 sec music]

Listen and answer the questions.

Lisa: That was an interesting radio programme, wasn't it, Wayne?

Wayne: Yes Lisa. It's a serious issue. What do you think about it?

Lisa: I don't think there's a simple answer. The pollution problem can be solved if the factory closes. However, if the factory closes, there are fewer jobs available. When more people are unemployed, they may become poor and unhappy.

Wayne: That's true. But can we do something about the pollution? You heard the programme – factories can cause asthma, lung cancer – all kinds of problems.

Lisa: *[statement intonation]* However, there is no definite evidence that the gases from the factory are so bad.

Wayne: *[question intonation]* You're sure about that?

Lisa: Yes, they said on the programme that sulphur dioxide may cause cancer. But people also had more exposure to other chemicals, so you can't prove it's sulphur dioxide.

Wayne: *[surprise]* What?

Lisa: *[statement]* It's true! No one's ever tested it. Besides, factories aren't the only things which cause air pollution. Other things like coal

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burning power stations, cars, boats, airplanes and waste burning plants also create air pollution.

Wayne: But we should at least try to do something. Every little action counts. For example, we can save energy by turning off unused appliances and lights; we can use public transport instead of driving our own car. If everyone waits for everyone else to do something, pollution will not decrease. I believe that our little steps would add up and together we can make a change!

Lisa: You are absolutely right! We can cut down on waste by reusing, repairing and recycling our things at home. We can buy less and choose the things with better quality so that they can last longer.

Wayne: That's a great idea! We should ask our friends and family to join us and think of some other ways to ... *[fade out]*...stop air pollution by going green.

Narrator: Now listen to the recording again.

[repeat recording]

You have 30 seconds to check your answers.

[30 sec music]

This is the end of Section 3.