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**Narrator:** *Listening Test*

**Success**

### *Section 2*

*You will hear Lilly Tang talking to Kit Lee, a teacher, about successful people in history and how they can motivate school pupils.*

*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.*

{Lilly: Welcome to the show, Kit. Two big figures from history. Do you think their stories are relevant for today's students?

Kit: Yes, absolutely. I think they can inspire children to want to study or to learn – their interest and natural curiosity then takes over and the learning comes naturally, rather than it being just about passing exams.

Lilly: Definitely. To create an interest in learning is very important.

Kit: I knew a maths teacher who taught in an all-girls school – she gave them a piece of homework to find one famous female mathematician in history. There was a time when women were not encouraged to do maths. The students had to produce a poster about this woman's life – the students found this inspiring and found a new interest in mathematics.

Lilly: Very interesting.

Kit: Another important thing about success stories is to help students realise that they can actually make their dreams come true through hard work – people throughout history can show this.

Lilly: Do you have any examples of that?

Kit: Well, Walt Disney was told he had no imagination and his drawings were dull and uninteresting; Elvis Presley was told he was going nowhere and he couldn't sing at all; and the Beatles were refused a

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recording contract by a company, being told they didn't sound good – and you know what happened to them. You should never give up. You can always make it. A lot of those people come from difficult backgrounds – they're normal people who have succeeded.

Lilly: That's a very good point.

Kit: And if we want to motivate students, we should also think about famous people in the present day such as J.K. Rowling, the author of the Harry Potter book series; Steve Jobs, the founder of Apple Computer; Yao Ming, the Chinese basketball player in NBA and Mark Zuckerberg, the founder of Facebook.

Lilly: So who would you say is the most successful.... *[fade out]*

***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 2***