Test Your Speaking & Listening Skills

Translate Sentences into the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) –
True or False Quiz

Translate the following sentences into the IPA, and decide whether they are true or false:

1. Moscow is the capital city of Russia.

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2. The Great Wall of China was built between 1845-1847.

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3. You can buy sandwiches and crisps at Boots the Chemist.

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4. Bananas are yellow when they are ripe.

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5. The German currency is called the Deutsche Mark.

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6. Our teacher is wearing a horrible jumper!

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7. In the 15th century, the Aztec people of Central America enjoyed drinking hot chocolate.

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8. Bees collect pollen from flowers to make jam.

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9. In the UK the Chancellor of the Exchequer is responsible for foreign policy.

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10. I really enjoy writing using the International Phonetic Alphabet!

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Answers:

1. Moscow is the capital city of Russia. (True.)
/ˈmɒskəʊ ɪz ðə ˈkæpɪtl ˈsɪti ɒv ˈrʌʃə/

2. The Great Wall of China was built between 1845-1847. (False. It was built between the 5th century BC and the 16th century.)
/ðə greɪt ˈwɔːləv ˈtʃaɪnə wɒz bɪlt bɪˈtwiːn 1845-1847/

3. You can buy sandwiches and crisps at Boots the Chemist. (True.)
/ˈjuːkən baɪ ˈsænwɪdʒəz ən krɪsps æt bʊts ðə ˈkemɪst/

4. Bananas are yellow when they are ripe. (True.)
/bəˈnɑːnəz ɑː ˈjeləʊ wen ðeɪ ɑː raɪp/

5. The German currency is called the Deutsche Mark. (False. The Deutsche Mark was replaced as the German currency by the Euro in 1999.)
/ðə ˈdʒɜːmn ˈkʌrənsi ɪz kɔːld ðə dɔɪtʃ mɑːk/

6. Our teacher is wearing a horrible jumper! (Answers will vary!)
/ɑː ˈtiːtʃə ɪz ˈweərɪŋ ə ˈhɒrɪbl ˈdʒʌmpə/

7. In the 15th century, the Aztec people of Central America enjoyed drinking hot chocolate. (True.)
/ɪn ðə 15th ˈsentʃəri ðə ˈæztek ˈpiːpəl ɒv ˈsentrəl əˈmerɪkə enˈdʒɔɪd ˈdrɪŋkɪŋ hɒt ˈtʃɒklət/

8. Bees collect pollen from flowers to make jam. (False. They use it to make honey.)
/biːz kəˈlekt ˈpɒlən frɒm ˈflaʊʌz tˈmeɪk dʒæm/

9. In the UK the Chancellor of the Exchequer is responsible for foreign policy. (False. He is responsible for economic and financial policy.)
/ɪn ðə UK ðə ˈtʃɑːnslə ɒv ðiː eksˈtʃekə ɪz rɪˈspɒnsɪbl fɔː ˈfɒren ˈpɒlɪsi/

10. I really enjoy writing using the International Phonetic Alphabet! (Answers will vary!)
/aɪ ˈrɪəli enˈdʒɔɪ ˈraɪtɪŋ ˈjuːzɪŋ ðiː ˈɪntənæʃnl fəˈnetɪk ˈælfəbet/