

**PREPARATION: Listening**

- 1 Read the exam task and answer the following questions:
  - How many people will you hear?
  - What are they going to talk about?
- 2 Do you ever watch reality shows? Do you like them? Why/Why not?

**EXAM STRATEGY**

Before you listen, think about the topic and note down any vocabulary which might be included.

**MATURITA TASK – Listening**

**LISTENING 18** Uslyšíte pět lidí mluvit o televizních reality show. Ke každé osobě (1–5) přiřadte odpovídající výrok (A–F). Jeden výrok je navíc.

1	2	3	4	5

- A This person would like to be on a reality show.
- B This person once wanted to go on a reality show.
- C This person believes that anyone could be on TV.
- D This person once appeared on a reality show.
- E This person has changed their opinion of reality shows.
- F This person doesn't like the people on reality shows.

**PREPARATION: Reading**

- 1 Read the text quickly to get an idea of what it is about.
- 2 Read the statements carefully and make sure you understand them.
- 3 Find the relevant parts of the text for each statement.
- 4 Decide if the information in the text is the same as or different from the information in the statements.

**EXAM STRATEGY**

When you have finished, go back and make sure you have not written down any wrong answers in the exam task by accident!

**MATURITA TASK – Reading**

Přečtěte si článek o Buckinghamském paláci a na základě informací z textu rozhodněte, zda výroky 1–6 jsou pravdivé (P) nebo nepravdivé (N).

**Buckingham Palace**

Buckingham Palace is the official city residence of the Royal Family in London. The palace is a place for grand occasions and royal weddings. It is also a workplace, where all the official administration is done. There are offices and lots of staff. Lastly, and perhaps most importantly, it is also a family home.

Buckingham Palace was built as a town house in the early eighteenth century. King George III bought it for his wife and children. Queen Victoria made Buckingham Palace the main royal palace in 1837 and made it bigger for her growing family. Queen Elizabeth II also lived there as a girl.

The Palace has 775 rooms. These include 19 State Rooms, 52 bedrooms for the Royal Family and guests, and 78 bathrooms. There are another 188 bedrooms for the people who work there. There are also 92 offices, a cinema, a police station, a post office and a sports centre!

The State Rooms are not usually open to the public because they are used by the Royal Family to receive guests on important state occasions. For a long time the Ballroom was the largest room in London. It has many famous paintings and is the place used to host wonderful parties. Over 50,000 people arrive each year as guests of the Royal Family.

Although Buckingham Palace is the main working palace for the Royal Family, they also have other residences, such as Balmoral in Scotland. During August and September the Royal Family stay at Balmoral, so when tourists visit Buckingham Palace at this time they can see the State Rooms too.

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1 Buckingham Palace isn't only a place of work.		
2 Buckingham Palace was built by King George III.		
3 There are more bedrooms for palace staff than for the Royal Family.		
4 The Ballroom used to be where the Royal Family had grand parties.		
5 The Royal Family don't live in Buckingham Palace all year round.		
6 Buckingham Palace is not open to the public.		