

Viewing-Listening Comprehension (test)/ **Stephen Fry in the Midwest**

First read these statements, then listen to the text, and tick (☒) the correct box. In some cases you can tick more than one per question. / Mind questions 16-18, too.

the border between the USA and Canada	
1. The 49 th parallel	a ☐ has been called "the longest undefended border in the world". b ☐ is the border between Canada and the US. c ☐ is a strictly guarded border nowadays.
<u>Montana, National Parks, President Roosevelt</u>	
2. Montana	a ☐ is rich with natural wilderness. b ☐ consists mostly of mountains. c ☐ is heavily industrialised.
3. The system of National Parks was expanded by	a ☐ President FD Roosevelt in 1936. b ☐ President Theodore Roosevelt in 1901. c ☐ President Theodore Roosevelt in 1936.
<u>Glacier National Park, Montana</u>	
4. Global warming will make the glaciers of Glacier National Park disappear between	a ☐ 2200 to 2400 b ☐ 2020 to 2030 c ☐ 2040 to 2060
<u>Ted Turner / CNN / Ted's Montana Grill</u>	
5. Ted Turner owns	a ☐ 460 bison / buffalo. b ☐ 46000 bison / buffalos. c ☐ 4600 bison / buffaloes.
<u>the Continental Divide between Montana and Idaho</u>	
6. This Continental Divide (or watershed) means that water flows down	a ☐ in the same direction. b ☐ in two different directions. c ☐ into the Pacific or the Atlantic.
<u>The Robinets' farm near Yellowstone Park</u>	
7. The Robinets' cattle and dogs are attacked by	a ☐ grizzly bears. b ☐ polar bears. c ☐ wolves.

<u>German immigrants in Bismarck, North Dakota.</u>			
8. German immigrant settlers needed calorie-rich food because	a ☐ they had to work hard all day. b ☐ average temperatures are low. c ☐ Germans usually eat a lot.		
<u>Mount Rushmore, South Dakota</u>			
9. Mount Rushmore features from left to right presidents	a ☐ Washington, Jefferson, T. Roosevelt, Lincoln. b ☐ Kennedy, Jefferson, T. Roosevelt, Lincoln. c ☐ Washington, Reagan, T. Roosevelt, Lincoln.		
<u>Pine Ridge Reservation, Lakota Sioux Tribe</u>			
10. The Lakota	a ☐ make up 7% of South Dakota's population. b ☐ try not to lose their language and cultural identity. c ☐ still sing their ancestors' songs.		
<u>White Cloud (Ghost Town) , Kansas</u>			
11. The town of White Cloud	a ☐ lost the (Missouri) steamboat and the railroad. b ☐ has a growing population. c ☐ is right between the Pacific and Atlantic oceans.		
		<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>
12. Midwestern states like Nebraska and Kansas have lots of space, and sky, and long roads.	a	☐	☐
13. Stephen Fry drives a New York taxi.	b	☐	☐
14. Stephen Fry finds the huge sculptures of Mount Rushmore and Crazy Horse tasteful and beautiful.	c	☐	☐
15. Buffalo / Bison are peaceful and perfectly harmless animals.	d	☐	☐
<i>Match these sentence halves.</i>			
16. The more I travel in America the more	a	☐	have become rather ghostly.
17. This vast economy needs goods	b	☐	extraordinary I find the landscape.
18. Many of the towns (in the Midwest)	c	☐	to be transported in all directions.