

IELTS LISTENING S51T1

NOTES - Christmas Dinner

JOAN: Right let's try and get it sorted out today so we don't have it hanging over us. Okay?

PETER: Good idea. I'll take notes.

JOAN: First thing numbers have we got anything definite?

PETER: Well I've been working it out and I think 40 to 43.

JOAN: Shall we put 45 to be on the safe side?

PETER: Yep, fine.

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JOAN: Dates well. That's straightforward.

PETER: The last working day before Christmas which is...

JOAN: Which is December the 21st.

PETER: Which is going to be pretty difficult to book at Christmas so we'd better think of two or three places just to be on the safe side.

JOAN: Well, last year's was hopeless.

PETER: The Red Line, wasn't it?

JOAN: Yeah. We ought to go for something more expensive, because you...

PETER: You gets what you pay for.

JOAN: That new Indian restaurant in Weatherfield is supposed to be excellent the _{Q1} **Rajdoot**.

PETER: How do you spell that?

JOAN: R-AJ-D-O-O-T.

PETER: But it's bound to be packed.

JOAN: Well, let's put that down as the first choice and have some backups. What about the O2 Park View Hotel as a second choice?

PETER: Yes, that's always reliable. Parkview Hotel.

JOAN: And the _{Q3} **London Arms** in case.

PETER: London Arms.

 $\boldsymbol{\mathsf{JOAN:}}$ I'll call them now if you want.

PETER: No. I'll do it, Joan. You're really busy. Oh have you got the numbers?

JOAN: Not for the Rajdoot, but uh right Parkview Hotel: 777192 and London Arms: _{Q4} 208657.

PETER: Great. Before I ring, we'd better just make sure they're within the price range.

JOAN: Up to 15 pounds a head?

PETER: I think you'll find some people won't be able to go that high.

JOAN: Well, you can't get anything decent under 10 pounds.

PETER: Okay. We'll say 12.

JOAN: Okay.

PETER: And we'd better make sure there's good vegetarian food.

JOAN: And a $_{\mathrm{Q}5}$ non-smoking section! You know what the boss is like.

PETER: Don't remind me. I'll let you know as soon as I get anything.

PETER: Good news. I found Rajdoot's number straight away and they can fit us in. Their Christmas menu sounds great.

JOAN: What is it?

PETER: French onion soup or fruit juice.

JOAN: Uh-huh.

PETER: Roast dinner or **Q6 lentil curry** sounds ordinary but my friend said it was really tasty.

JOAN: Umm lentil curry that's unusual.

PETER: And then for dessert there's traditional plum pudding or apple pie, a plus coffee.

JOAN: That sounds really good for 12 pounds did you book it?

PETER: Well, I said I'd check with the staff first. But they did say they'd hold the booking until next Wednesday anyway. Oh, and if we go ahead, they'd like a Q7 50 pound deposit.

JOAN: 50 is normal that's fine.

PETER: And they want a letter.

JOAN: Right to confirm.

PETER: And they say with such large numbers we have to _{Q8} choose the menu in advance.

JOAN: That won't be a problem. I'll put up a notice with details of the restaurant and the menu. When did you say they wanted confirmation by?

PETER: It was uh let's see uh the Q_9 4 November.

JOAN: Where do you think I should put up the notice? Where everyone's guaranteed to see it.

 $\ensuremath{\mathbf{PETER}}$: On the cafe noticeboard I should think.

JOAN: Hardly anyone looks at that.

PETER: Well, Q_{10} the Newsletter probably your best bet.

JOAN: Good idea. I'll go and do that now.

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