



Job

Task: Stephen King

Activity 1: Listening

Welcome to a practice listening task for the GESE 3.

You are going to hear a talk about a famous writer. You will hear the talk twice. As you listen, write down some facts if you want to. Are you ready?

Audio Script

Stephen King is a well-known North American writer who was born on September 21st of 1947, in Portland, Main. His nickname is "The King of Horror" and we can see this because he wrote stories of horror, supernatural fiction, suspense, crime, science fiction and fantasy. He wrote 63 novels and 200 short stories. We can enjoy his stories in novels, and then his fans are seeing his stories in films, t.v. series, miniseries and even comic books. Stephen King sold his first story in 1967. It was called "The Glass Floor". Then after that, he decided to spend from four to six hours every day reading and writing to become a better writer. Also, he donates about four million dollars every year to libraries, fire stations, schools and organizations of the arts. He thinks it is important to help facilities that make people's lives better, that are near to people.

Now listen again. Then I'll ask you to tell me about five facts about Stephen King. Are you ready?

Now tell me facts that you heard about Stephen King.

Now I will ask you some questions. You only need to answer in a few words.

Now let's look at the questions again, but with the possible answers.

This is the end of the listening task.

Answers:

	Answers	Questions
1	September 21st, 1947	When was Stephen King born?
2	Portland, Maine	Where was Stephen King born?
3	The King of Horror	What is his nickname?
4	Horror, Supernatural Fiction, Suspense, Crime, Science Fiction, Fantasy	What kind of books does Stephen King write? Say at least two.
5	sixty-three (63) novels	How many novels has Stephen King written?
6	two hundred (200) short stories	How many short stories has Stephen King written?
7	in 1967	When did he sell his first story?
8	The Glass Floor	What was his first story called?
9	Four to six hours (4 to 6 hours)	How many hours does Stephen King dedicate everyday to reading and writing?
10	libraries, fire stations, schools, organizations of the arts	Where does Stephen King donate approximately four million dollars every year? Say at least two.

Marks: +_ / +10

Grammar Used in the listening task:

- Present Continuous
- Modal Verb: can / can't
- Prepositions of movement: from, to up, down, along, across, through...
- Prepositions of time: on, in, at
- Prepositions of place: near, in front of, behind, opposite
- Past Simple with the verb to be: was / were
- Connector: and
- Connector: then
- Connector: and then