



Job

Task 2: James Patterson

Activity 1: Listening

Welcome to a practice listening for the ISE 1, listening task 2.

You are going to hear a short talk about **James Patterson**. You will hear the talk twice. The first time, just listen. Then I'll ask you to tell me in a few words what the speaker is talking about. Are you ready?

The task will play once

Now tell me in a few words what the talk was about.

Give the candidate some blank paper

Now listen to the talk again. Write down some notes about what you hear if you want to. Then I'll ask you to tell me six pieces of information about **James Patterson**. Are you ready?

Now tell six pieces of information about **James Patterson**.

Now let's go over the potential questions. Remember, the examiner can ask you up to 4 additional questions after you say the six pieces of information that you heard.

This is the end of listening task 2.

Audio Script

James Patterson was born in Newburg, New York. His mother must have worked very hard because she was a homemaker and teacher. His father was an insurance broker. He became a world famous writer that has published books since nineteen seventy-six. If you like detective and suspense stories, you can read some of his well-known novels. He was writing books while he was also an advertising executive, in which he retired in 1996 and dedicated himself to his writing. Since then, he has published a lot of novels, over two hundred. He has become such a popular writer that he has sold over three hundred and fifty million books worldwide. Some of his novels have even developed into films and we are surely going to see more of his novels as films in the future. Also, James Patterson prefers to donate some of his money to companies, schools and other institutions. These places need to find creative and effective ways to promote reading in an exciting way to young people. He might have been inspired to do this because of his son, Jack, not wanting to read when he was young. In the summer, when his son was eight, he told his son that in order to not have to do any chores, he had to read one hour a day. The first summer Jack didn't want to do it, but the second summer he tried it. The third summer, his son wanted to read. So, James Patterson thought if he donates his money to places to help children read, he will probably help make a difference for a lot of children.

Questions & Answers:

1	nineteen seventy-six (1976)	When did James Patterson publish his first film?
2	an advertising executive	What other job did James Patterson have?
3	over two hundred (200)	How many novels did he publish?
4	(sold) over three hundred and fifty (350) million books (worldwide)	How many books has he sold?
5	developed into films	What happened to some of his novels?
6	companies, schools and other institutions	Who did he donate money to?
7	His son, Jack	Who inspired him to help children read?
8	no chores / don't have to do chores	What did he promise his son if he would read an hour a day?
9	three (3) (summers)	How many summers did it take Jack to become interested in reading?
10	make a difference (for a lot of children)	What did James Patterson think could happen if he donated his money?

Marks: +_ / +6

Used grammar in the listening task.

Gese 5

- Present Perfect Simple (for / since / ever / never / just)
- because
- because of
- will for future possible uses (will probably / likely / surely)
- Adverbs of quantity: a lot / much / many
- Expressions of preferences: prefer to / would rather

Gese 6

- zero conditional
- first conditional
- Present Continuous for Future use
- Past Continuous
- Must
- Might
- Need to
- Have to
- Infinitive of Purpose: in order to / so as to