



Animals

Task 2: Clouded Leopard

Activity 1: Listening

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

You are going to hear a short talk about **the clouded leopards**. 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 **the clouded leopards**. Are you ready?

Now tell six pieces of information about **the clouded leopards**.

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

While zoologists were observing the forest, they noticed the clouded leopard, which is a magnificent creature that most people might not know about. You must consider that it lives in dense forests next to the majestic emerging mountains. This elusive feline can be spotted in regions such as the Himalayas, Northeast Asia, and South China. Setting it apart from a lot of other leopards, its distinctive appearance catches the eye. If you see a clouded leopard, you can see that it shows a remarkable range of colors. You can see from shades of brown to yellowish-gray. The clouded leopard's fur is covered with irregular stripes and spots in a dusky-gray color. You have to realize that this often makes people think that they have seen something that looks like clouds. With a tail that could grow up to an impressive 91 cm long, the clouded leopard uses its tail in order to move and balance on tree branches. An intriguing characteristic of this unique feline is its remarkable ability to climb down vertical tree trunks headfirst because it shows its exceptional climbing skills. During the day, the clouded leopard needs to rest in the trees because of feeling safe and protected. However, when night comes, the clouded leopard becomes a hunter in the night, on the forest floor. These animals would rather eat meat, preying on small animals, birds, and rodents to satisfy its carnivorous appetite that they are going to hunt for their next meal. If you see one of these animals in your lifetime, you will probably be amazed by its strange beauty.

Questions & Answers:

1	In dense forest	Where does the clouded leopard live?
2	Brown or yellowish-gray	What color is the clouded leopard?
3	Dusky-grey	What color are the irregular stripes and spots?
4	Clouds	What do the spots remind people of?
5	Can grow up to 91 cm	How long is its tail?
6	Balancing when moving in trees	What does it use its tail for?
7	Head first	How can it climb down on vertical tree trunks?
8	During the day	When does it rest?
9	In trees	Where does it rest?
10	By night on the forest floor	When does it hunt?

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Used grammar in the listening task.

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- 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

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- 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