

Exam Practice

1. Listening – Dialogues

A) A trip to New York

Mrs Green is visiting her bank in order to prepare for a trip to New York. She wants to buy traveller's cheques. Listen to the dialogue and answer the questions. You will hear the dialogue twice.

When is Mrs Green going to New York?	next month
What's the total amount of money she's buying traveller's cheques for?	\$250 (5 x \$20 + 3 x \$50)
What else does she want from the bank?	\$60 in cash
Why is she reluctant to apply for a credit card?	She thinks it's not safe.

B) Buying a car

Mr Miller wants to buy a new car. He's already got an idea on how to finance the purchase, but his bank consultant suggests something different. Listen to the dialogue between them and answer the questions. You will hear the dialogue twice.

What financing scheme does Mr Miller have in mind?	leasing
What alternative does the bank clerk offer?	a bank loan
When are they going to meet?	tomorrow at 3pm

B) The gas bill

Mr Barstow has come to his local bank branch to arrange payment for his monthly gas bills. He comes with a proposal but the bank clerk suggests something else instead. Listen to the dialogue between them and answer the questions. You will hear the dialogue twice.

	Mr Barstow's proposal	What the bank clerk suggests
Name of the transaction	standing order	direct debit
Who sets the monthly amount? *	Mr Barstow	the gas company
Who pays the fees?	Mr Barstow	the gas company

* Ok, that's not a good question. It's logical somehow, but the information isn't in the dialogue.