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Listening & Speaking
(Unit 8)

Unit 8

What can I do here?

Get ready to listen and speak

- Look at the activities you can do in New Zealand. Tick ✓ the ones you have done.

go sailing ☐



visit a zoo ☐



go bungee jumping ☐



visit an aquarium ☐



go skydiving ☐



see dolphins and whales ☐



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A Listening – Different activities

- Calum has just arrived in Auckland so he visits the Tourist Information Centre and talks to Amy, the Tourist Information Officer. Listen to their conversation. Which activities from *Get ready* do they talk about?
- Listen again and complete the table. Remember to read the table first and think about what information is missing before you listen.

Activity	Details	Price (\$)
See ^a dolphins and whales	^b am – 4 pm every day	^c
Go ^d	^e metres high	^f
Go ^g	^h metres	250
Visit the aquarium	ⁱ km from the centre of Auckland	^j

Learning tip

When you are listening to a CD, you get less information because you can't see the speakers. For example, in a Tourist Information Office, the officer will point to brochures and information inside them. This helps you to understand what he or she is saying.

B Speaking – Different activities

Speaking strategy

Showing you are interested

- 1 Look at part of the conversation. Underline what Calum says to show he is interested in what the Tourist Information Officer is telling him.

Officer: That is ... \$40.

Calum: Ah ha.

Officer: And they go every day.

Calum: Oh all right. And do you see dolphins every time?

Officer: Yes ... well not absolutely guaranteed, not 100 per cent but they do ... most of the time they will see dolphins or ... it may be whales.

Calum: Oh wow.

- 2 Look at the *audioscript* on page 93 and underline other words or expressions Calum uses to show he is interested. Write them here.

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Sound smart

Intonation of expressions to show interest

- 1 Listen and decide what happens to the speaker's voice. Tick ✓ a or b.

a oh all right ☐

b oh all right ☐

- 2 Listen and repeat the expressions. Make sure your intonation shows interest.

a ah ha

b ok

c oh wow

d sounds good

e yeah

f great

Speak up!

- 3 Listen to Amy. Reply and show you are interested. Use a different expression each time. Remember to make your voice rise.

Example: a

Amy: You can see dolphins and whales.

You say: Sounds good.

a Amy: You can see dolphins and whales.

b Amy: We have a tour every day.

You say:

c Amy: It's a good idea to take your camera.

You say:

d Amy: Usually it costs \$140, but it's only \$100 today.

You say:

e Amy: You need to take your own lunch.

You say:

f Amy: There are sometimes more than 50 dolphins.

You say:

- 4 What can visitors to your town or city do? Think of one activity and describe it in detail. Use the underlined expressions in Exercise 3 above to help you.



