

Intermediate Aural Russian for Fieldwork

Tasks Template

A: Prelistening tasks

1. A brief written introduction to video/audio clip topic is provided. On the basis of this short description and before watching the clip, answer the following questions, making notes as necessary.

[short description]

- a. what sort of information is likely to be provided (figures/statistics? dates? facts? opinions?)
- b. what types of people are likely to be present? (experts? professionals? people with a particular occupation? men? women? children? minorities?)
- c. what questions are likely to be asked?
- d. what sort of views/opinions are likely to be expressed and by whom?
- e. what linguistic register(s) is/are likely to be used?
- f. write down 8-10 words in Russian that you think are likely to be used in the clip

2. Review and familiarise yourself with the vocabulary list below:

[key words and phrases provided with English equivalent – max 30 – written only, no recording]

B: Listening tasks

1. Watch the clip through from beginning to end without stopping. Write down your immediate impressions: what is the gist of the clip? What is particularly noticeable about the people or place?

2. Play the clip again and check you've found all the words in the vocabulary list.

3. Answer the following questions. You may play the clip as many times as you wish.

[Listening comprehension questions – max 15]

4. Write down the words/phrases that support the following statements:

[10 statements in chronological order]

5. Complete the gap fill below

[2 paras/150 word Russian gap fill]

6. Using the table below, create a summary of the clip and key words and/or facts. Write in Russian where possible, then supplement your answers in English if necessary [table will need to be larger]. You may listen to the clip as many times as you wish and your answers can be in note form.

Время	Кто?	Где?	О чём?	Ключевые слова или факты
0:00-1:00				
1:00-2:00				
2:00-3:00				
3:00-4:00				
4:00-5:00				

C: Post-listening tasks

1. Working with the transcript provided, play the clip one more time and correct/add information to your answers to the exercises in part B.
2. Using the translation provided, check your answers to the exercises in part B.
3. Look back on your answers to exercise A1. Were your predictions correct? If not, consider how you would answer the questions in hindsight.
4. What further questions could you ask the people featured in the clip? Write them down in Russian.
5. What other words/phrases would it have been useful to know? Write them down in Russian and English.