

## ISE I

# Sample Independent listening task 1 – Dolphins

#### Examiner rubric

You're going to hear a talk about dolphins. You will hear the talk twice. As you listen, write down some notes about what you hear, if you want to. Then, I will ask you six questions on some facts about dolphins. Are you ready?

The task will play twice.

Now I will ask you some questions. You only need to answer in a few words.

## Audio script

Dolphins are very intelligent animals. They mostly live in the sea although some live in rivers. They can stay under the water for fifteen minutes before coming to the surface to breathe. Dolphins are very social animals they live in groups and play with each other. Each dolphin has its own special sound so that other dolphins can recognise it. When a baby dolphin is born, its mother takes it to the surface of the water immediately for its first breath. Young dolphins stay with their mothers for at least three years. Adult dolphins can live for up to 60 years. They can jump as high as six metres out of the water and are so intelligent that humans can teach them to do tricks.

### Questions and answers

If the candidate asks, the examiner may repeat the guestions once.

	Question	Answer
1	Where do dolphins live apart from the sea?	Rivers
2	How long can dolphins stay under the water for?	15 minutes
3	How do dolphins recognise each other?	A special sound
4	Where does the mother take the baby when it's born?	To the surface (to breathe)
5	For how long do young dolphins stay with their mothers?	Three years (at least)
6	How high can dolphins jump?	Six metres