

Listen to the recording about how a single American woman manages her life. While listening, choose the correct answer (A,B,C or D) and write it into the space in the answer box.



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1. Just under \$ 50,000 is what

- A. a wealthy American gets.
- B. an American earns.
- C. an American family makes.
- D. an American unemployed person receives.

2. When Jada Irwin had her home in St. Louis, she

- A. could only eat out in cheap restaurants.
- B. could treat friends to a meal out.
- C. could only dream of buying expensive goods.
- D. had to spend holidays at home.

3. Irwin left St. Louis because

- A. of her boyfriend's job.
- B. life was too expensive there.
- C. she was unemployed.
- D. she wanted to do something different.

4. Irwin's new job pays enough for a

- A. flat very close to Washington D.C.
- B. flat in the city centre.
- C. house in Washington D.C.
- D. house in the country.

5. Every four weeks Irwin

- A. goes to the movies with her flatmate.
- B. takes her parents out.
- C. buys fish.
- D. eats out.

6. In order to afford a pleasant life in Washington D.C.

- A. you can get by on a modest income.
- B. an average income is more than sufficient.
- C. the average US income is just sufficient.
- D. your income must be higher than average.

7. Irwin has failed to reach her goals because

- A. her family discourage her.
- B. she started college later than her schoolmates.
- C. she spent a long time at college.
- D. her friends disapprove of her decision.

8. Irwin's family

- A. borrowed money to finance her.
- B. prevented her from going to university.
- C. were able to pay for her studies.
- D. refused to support her financially.

9. After seven years Irwin has

- A. more money to pay back than ever before.
- B. paid back all her loans.
- C. paid back half of her debts.
- D. paid back the interest and some of her debts.

10. At this point in her life Irwin

- A. is unhappy with her work.
- B. is glad she graduated from university
- C. regrets having gone to university.
- D. envies the average American.

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