

## ISE I

### Sample Independent listening task 1 – Chickens

#### Examiner rubric

*Give the candidate some blank notepaper.*

You are going to hear a short talk about chickens. You will hear the talk twice. As you listen, write down some facts about chickens on your notepaper, if you want to. Then I'll ask you six questions on some facts about chickens. Are you ready?

*Play the task. The task will play twice.*

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

#### Audio script

In today's lesson, we're going to learn some unusual facts about chickens. Maybe I can surprise you with some facts you might not know. First of all, there are about twenty-five billion chickens in the world. And it's quite amazing that the chicken is similar to a very big dinosaur. I've never thought about that, have you?

Now, let's move on to their eggs. To produce good eggs, chickens need to drink about half a litre of water a day. Another interesting fact is that a chicken will look after another bird's eggs. Did you know that? There are even some chickens which produce blue eggs.

And finally, in some places in the world, people keep chickens because they believe the birds will bring them good luck.

And now we're going to watch a short film about chickens around the world.

#### Questions and answers

*If the candidate asks, the examiner may repeat the questions once.*

Question	Answer
1 About how many billion chickens are there in the world?	25
2 Which animal from the past is similar to a chicken?	A (very big) dinosaur
3 How much water do chickens need to drink every day to produce good eggs?	Half a litre
4 What will a chicken do with another bird's eggs?	It will look after the eggs
5 What colour eggs do some chickens produce?	Blue
6 Why do some people keep chickens?	Because (they believe) they bring good luck