**Tapescript 5.3 Exercise 3**

This is North America. And this is the United States of America. With more than three hundred ten million people, it’s the third largest country and the largest economy in the world. People from all over live here; therefor it’s one of the most diverse countries.

New York State is one of the fifty states of America. The beauty of New York State is extraordinary. You’ll find the untouched beaches of Paya Island, many State parks, and even the great Appalachian Valley with its exciting Indian history.

New York City is the biggest city of New York State with a population of more than eight million. The city of New York has five boroughs, or areas. There is the Bronx, Queens, Brooklyn, Staten Island, and the most famous borough: Manhattan.

Manhattan is an island surrounded by the Hudson River. It is famous for its skyscrapers. At the heart of Manhattan is Central Park, a park so big that you can get lost in it. Manhattan streets were built so that people who couldn’t speak English would find their way easily. That’s why the streets are very straight and why they have numbers instead of names.

Madison Square Garden in Manhattan is the place to go if you want to see great basketball games. At the Yankees stadium in the Bronx you can watch baseball. These sports are very important to many New Yorkers. Ask anyone about their favourite team.

New York has appeared in so many movies and TV series, that most people feel like they have visited the city. Don’t you recognize these landmarks?

**Tapescript bij 5.3 Exercise 4**

**Voice-over:** Oh no, I’m officially old I think.

This clip has had some big consequences. Seven students and their teacher, are now suspended after their Harlem Shake video went viral.

**Voice-over**: Well, seven students were suspended and their teacher as well. He’s a substitute teacher and the kids tell us that they asked the permission of that substitute teacher before they did the shake in class. And the school says they’re not really sure if that actually happened but they can say that sub will NOT be working in this district again.

**Voice-over**: Luis Romero, one of the students still thinks it was worth it.

Even though Luis Romero is sitting at home instead of behind a desk, he still stands behind the Harlem Shake video he took in class and posted online.

Luis Romero said:

**Luis Romero**: It’s just a video, trying to have some fun, just a couple of minutes, you know, and we ended up getting two days off.

**Voice-over:** The two days off he’s talking about are two days of suspension. That was the punishment for the seven students who participated in the video and their substitute teacher.

**Luis Romero** The principal asked the sub into the hallway, he tells the sub “hey can you step out real quick, grab your stuff and step out, we’re gonna send you home.”

**Voice-over:** Romero says the video only took a few of minutes to do and it was just fun. He says he doesn’t understand why the Shake is causing such a shake-up.

**Luis Romero:** It wasn’t really that inappropriate.

**Voice-over:** The school’s spokesperson Kevin Anderson says the teens were suspended for a range of reasons, ranging from violating the dress code to breaching the code of conduct.

**Tapescript bij 5.3 Exercise 6**

**Jay:** Are you guys nervous?

**Girls:** [giggle]

**Jay:** Tonight, one of your lives is going to change forever…

**Stephen:** Here from Distract TV with Linsay, from Canada’s Next Top Model. How’s it going?

**Linsay:** It’s excellent. How are you doing Stephen?

**Stephen:** I’m doing really well. I mean, how do you describe the experience on the show?

**Linsay:** I describe it as crazy, fun work. It was unbelievable, but... eh… it was a lot of fun. It takes a lot of work…

**Stephen [voice over]:** Hi guys, I’m Stephen. I live in London and work as a TV presenter.

**Linsay:** … But going through it, it’s so much work. It really is.

**Stephen:** It’s just inexplicably, working on Vancouver Fashion Week, which was an amazing experience. I got to work as a backstage interviewer, speaking to the models and fashion designers. It was a great experience because I love fashion so much.

So why do I love fashion so much? I love fashion because it’s a form of self-expression. I mean, if you’re in a great mood, you could wear colours like green, orange, red. If you’re in a not so good mood, you could wear darker colours.

**Dave Berry:** I got signed to a model agency when I was about seventeen years old and I did a few bits; I did Ted Baker, I did French Connection, I did magazines like Face…

**Stephen [voice over]:** Here, is an interview that I did at an exclusive fashion event in London, called Clothes Show London, which features the fashion industry experts presenting fashion summer trends and tips. This is my interview with Dave Berry at the event. Now Dave has started off as a fashion model for high-end designers like French Connection, Ted Baker, and modelled for magazine Face. He then went on to work as an entertainment host. He tells me who his style icons were growing up and where he sees fashion going in the future.

**Dave Berry:** All Weather has always maintained a great sense of style and designer-wise, for me personally, if I’m not having my own suit made by October House, there you go kids, ehhm… Prada. I think Prada are the king of the hill.

**Tapescript bij 5.3 Exam exercise**

Southbound on the M90, police are dealing with an accident at Masterton. The vehicles have closed the outside lane of the carriage way and as a result traffic is slow on approach. So take care as you head for Pitreavie at the moment. That’s it for now. But if you do spot any other problems on the roads, give me a call on the Forth Jambuster line. That’s on 01315579000. I’m Catriona Stracking with Forth One Travel.

Hi, I’m Catriona and welcome to Forth One radio station, where I work as a traffic correspondent. I make and research my own traffic bulletins and then read them live on air. Sometimes I’ll get my information from listeners who are calling in, but I’ll usually phone the police or the local buses to find out what’s going on in the roads. I’ll sometimes thank the listener on air, whoever’s provided the information.

**Catriona:** Come on, I’ll show you around the station.

**Ian:** Gonna squeeze in some Alexandra Burke, we’ll do some Bad Boys and some Coldplay in just a sec, before we do that the latest on the roads with Joan.

**Joan:** Well, starting off in the county…

**Catriona:** So that is Ian, one of our presenters. He’s broadcasting from one of the main studios. Hi, Ian! can you hear me?

**Ian:** Hi Cat, I’m fine, I’ll be with you in just a wee sec.

**Catriona:** I’d better not disturb him, he looks a bit busy.

**Newspresenter:** … for all intents and purposes, and has increased the security risk.

**Catriona:** This is the reception area, where all the staff members sign in and out. Sometimes we even have celebrity guests coming in to do interviews with the presenters.

**Catriona:** So this is the newsroom, where all the local news is gathered and made ready to be read on air. Let’s see what else we can find.

**Catriona:** Well, this is a part of the radiostation that I feel really passionately about. Hi Evelyn!

**Evelyn:** Hi!

**Catriona:** What have you got here?

**Evelyn:** Well, this is a new presentation I’m putting together. We’ve got some nice new photographs of some of the children with special needs that we’ve been helping.

**Catriona:** Super. This is the charity department. It raises money for children with special needs in places like Edinburgh, the Lothians and Fife.

**Evelyn:** It might be a good idea to show them some of those cards. We get thank you cards from the children.

**Catriona:** Super. This is some of the thank you cards and artwork from the children, just to say thanks for all the money that we’ve raised.

**Catriona:** Since I work with traffic, I am really concerned about climate change. Edinburgh is getting new trams. Trams are trains, electric trains that run on tracks along the street. Now it would aid pollution, but many people in Edinburgh don’t like it because they have to dig up lots of roads and it really complicates traffic.

**Catriona:** Although my job can be really stressful at times, I like the fact that I’m able to help people on their journeys. I don’t know what the future will bring with the new trams, but I like the fact that the technology is environmentally friendly.