Online Listening Comprehension Test - Intermediate
“Cheap Christopher”

This online listening comprehension test is for you to evaluate your listening skills and to help you decide what level of English you have. It is meant as a guide only and is not binding. Students are still required to sit a placement test in the first session of each course. Final admission to a particular course depends on your score on the in-class placement test and NOT on this online version. If you need further assistance in determining which courses to sign up for, please contact John Nixon.

Read the questions, first. Make sure you understand them. Also, look at the score you can get for each answer. Then play the text. Write notes while listening. Take a two-minute break to look at the questions again and your notes. Listen to the text once again. (You should not listen to the audio-text more than twice.)

Please note:
Your score will NOT be automatically calculated. You will need to correct your test yourself by looking at the answers and adding up the points you scored for each question. If, for instance, your answer to question 2 consists of only three pieces of information, you get only three points.

Questions:

1. Why does the speaker call Christopher cheap?(1 point)

2. What information about Christopher’s background is given? Name at least five pieces of information.(5 points)

3. Why does Christopher deserve to be called cheap? Give five reasons.(5 points)

4. Why doesn’t he feel guilty about accepting his friends’ invitations?(1 point)

5. What is the stingiest thing he has ever done?(1 point)

6. What did he used to give his mother on Mother’s Day?(1 point)

7. Why does the speaker like Christopher? Give two reasons.(2 points)

8. What does his wife say?(1 point)