

SKILLS**Dealing with numbers****A Try to say and write these numbers and figures.**

- 1 a) 4,537,295 b) 1,841 c) 36,503 d) 684,321
- 2 a) 3.5 b) 2.89 c) 9.875
- 3 a) $\frac{3}{4}$ b) $\frac{1}{8}$ c) $\frac{6}{7}$ d) $\frac{2}{3}$
- 4 a) 15% b) 50% c) 97% d) 100%
- 5 a) £80 b) \$5,800 c) €150,000 d) €20,000

B Try to answer these questions.

- 1 What is the population of your a) country? b) city?
- 2 How many people work for your company / study at your institution?
- 3 What is the average salary in your country?
- 4 What is the current inflation rate?
- 5 Approximately how many people are unemployed?
- 6 What is the interest rate for savings?
- 7 What fraction of their income do you think people spend on living costs?
- 8 What percentage of your income do you spend on transport?

C **CD2.7-2.10 Listen to four extracts from a radio business-news programme. Underline the numbers you hear.**

- 1 a) Inflation rate: 2.0% / 1.2%
b) Unemployment: 1,258,000 / 1,800,000
- 2 a) Profits increase: \$1.8 billion / \$1.8 million
b) Sales increase: 80% / 18%
- 3 a) Job losses: $\frac{1}{3}$ / $\frac{1}{4}$
b) Workforce reduction: 15,000 / 5,000
- 4 a) Interest rate reduction: 0.5% / 1.5%
b) Economic growth: 2.8% / 1.8%

D Match the words and numbers.

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| 505 | five thousand and fifty |
| 5,005 | five thousand and fifteen |
| 5,015 | five thousand, one hundred and fifty |
| 5,050 | five hundred and five |
| 515 | five thousand five hundred |
| 5,500 | five hundred and fifteen |
| 5,150 | five thousand and five |