

You are going to listen to a discussion from 2016 about developments in the NHS (National Health Service) in the UK. First you will have 45 seconds to study the task below. Then you will hear the recording twice. While listening, choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D) for each question (1-9). Put a cross (☒) in the correct box on the answer sheet. The first one (0) has been done for you.

After the second listening, you will have 45 seconds to check your answers.

## Can tech save the NHS?

- 0      **A proposal to reform the NHS aimed to**
- A    provide people with medical advice online.
  - B    prevent long waits for hospital treatment.
  - C    enable patients to get information more easily.
  - D    reduce the cost of administrative work.
- 1      **The NHS's current plan is to**
- A    increase the number of 24-hour doctors.
  - B    put more focus on individual patient care.
  - C    get an overview of all paper health records.
  - D    change to an online service system soon.
- 2      **People tend to believe that doctors**
- A    have quick access to all medical records.
  - B    prescribe highly effective treatment.
  - C    are able to cure diseases immediately.
  - D    interpret medical data accurately.
- 3      **One of the GP's tasks is to**
- A    cooperate with local hospitals.
  - B    make people go in for regular check-ups.
  - C    store patients' medical files.
  - D    keep an eye on their patients' families.
- 4      **In recent years, the NHS has**
- A    paid too much attention to technology.
  - B    had difficulties when trying to improve things.
  - C    missed various chances to save money.
  - D    tried hard to become more patient-friendly.

- 5      **One major advantage of the reform is that**
- A    medical prescriptions will be free of charge.
  - B    patients will be treated more efficiently.
  - C    family doctors will be more easily available.
  - D    patients' privacy will be secured.
- 6      **Around twenty years ago, the efforts to reform failed because**
- A    there was a lack of interest.
  - B    the technology was inefficient.
  - C    there were financial problems.
  - D    they were carried out unprofessionally.
- 7      **Healthcare professionals who were confronted with the innovations**
- A    demanded more technical support.
  - B    were quite optimistic at first.
  - C    reacted in different ways.
  - D    organised a formal protest.
- 8      **With the new attempt at reform, the NHS will**
- A    allow more freedom of choice.
  - B    establish special helpdesk services.
  - C    work with a national team of experts.
  - D    be monitored on a regular basis.
- 9      **In future it will be necessary for**
- A    doctors and nurses to receive IT training.
  - B    health facilities to fulfil certain requirements.
  - C    hospitals to regulate their finances more carefully.
  - D    patients to take on more responsibility.

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