

LISTENING COMPREHENSION – ONLINE DATING (4'30 min)

You are going to hear a recording about the “do’s” and “don’ts” of online dating.

I) Before listening, read the list of vocabulary and try to guess what the sentence below might mean (1-2 sentences)

Vocabulary:

a profile	an introduction of yourself
a current photo	not an old photo
make your intentions clear	say what you really want
no strings attached	to have no responsibilities (here: a short affair)
weekend getaway	a romantic weekend trip
set up a date	arrange when and where you will meet
go with your gut feeling	only do what you think is good
your ex-spouse	your ex-wife or ex-husband
deserted	where there are no people
populated	where there are many people
they put their guard down	they aren't so careful
daring	willing to do things you normally wouldn't do
swingers' club	a club where many people meet to have sex

He had his own agenda going on.

II) Now listen to the recording twice; take notes while listening and answer the questions below as detailed as possible:

1. List at least three do’s and three don’ts of online dating?
2. After “meeting” your dream girl/dream boy online, what should you do next?
3. Why can it be harder to find out if someone is honest when you are chatting online?
What can you do to find out more about the other person?
4. What does Steve Monas say about alcohol on a date?
5. Do people always find the right partner via online dating?
Retell the “strange” story Steve Monas is talking about.

Text tasks:

- a) Summarize the text, including your answers from the questions above.
- b) Write a letter to your best friend about a horrible online-dating story.