

UNIT 10 REVIEW TEST LISTENING SCRIPT

- Nina:** Hello. Is this Paul Murphy?
- Paul:** Yes, it is. To whom am I speaking?
- Nina:** This is Nina. Zack Campbell gave me your number.
- Paul:** Oh, did he? What can I do for you?
- Nina:** Zack told me you have an octopus, and I want to get one as a pet.
- Paul:** Yes. What do you want to know?
- Nina:** Anything that you think will make me a better octopus-owner.
- Paul:** OK. But let me tell you right from the start, that they need a lot of particular care and attention. The most important thing is to get a big tank—you need to let octopuses have a lot of space to grow into and move around.
- Nina:** I'm getting my parents to buy me one. What size should I tell them?
- Paul:** Have them get you a 4-foot tank.
- Nina:** Wow! That's big! I don't know if the tank will fit in our house.
- Paul:** You can get one a bit smaller. But you'll quickly learn that octopuses make you do things for them, not the other way around! They're very social and intelligent.
- Nina:** That's what I've heard.
- Paul:** When you first get one, get the octopus to eat its food at the same time each day, and always have it eat from a spoon.
- Nina:** Why?
- Paul:** Because very quickly, you can make it take the food from your hand with its long arms. But you have to start by using a spoon.
- Nina:** What else can you make it do?

Paul: All sorts of things. They're so interested in everything. Mine really loves toys. He really makes me laugh with the things he does with them.

Nina: Oh, that sounds awesome.

Paul: You do know they need saltwater and that it has to be changed every two weeks?

Nina: Yes, I do.

Paul: At first, I found it a bit difficult regulating the salt content and temperature, but it gets easier and easier the more you do it.

Nina: OK, I understand. Well, thank you very much, Paul. You've really helped me.

Paul: You're more than welcome. And let me know if you have any other questions.