## (放送内容)

## Narrator: Part 1.

これから放送される英文を、メモを取りながら聴いてください。続いて、7つ質問があります。答えをそれぞれ選択肢の中から選び、解答欄にマークしてください。英文も質問文も1回しか読みませんから、よく注意して聴いてください。Part 1は、L-1から L-7 までです。では、始めます。

## Woman:

Hello. I'm happy to be here today to talk with your neighborhood association.

In this talk, I'll explain what a Buy Nothing group is and why you should consider creating one for your neighborhood.

So first, what is a Buy Nothing group? A Buy Nothing group is a hyperlocal Facebook group. People in this local group freely give away to each other items they no longer want. You are not allowed to ask for money or trade things in Buy Nothing groups. In the group you can post anything you'd like to give away or lend to neighbors. You can also post requesting any item that you'd like to receive or borrow. You need to keep it legal and no hate speech is permitted. It's strictly a gift economy, so no buying, selling, or trading is allowed.

So, now you know what Buy Nothing groups are. How do you actually join and use them? To join, simply search Facebook for 'buy nothing' and your city's name. Most cities have many groups, so make sure it's the right one for your neighborhood. After joining, you are ready to post. Posts begin with either the word "Gift" or "Ask". Then, state the item that is being offered or requested. So, for example, "Gift. Girl's dress." When giving, pictures and descriptions are very helpful. Most people will let their post sit for 1 to 2 days before selecting who they will give the item to. There are various ways to decide who gets an item. It's really up to you how you want to do that. After you've given the item, update the posting to "Gifted" so that people know the item is gone.

When arranging pick-up with the person who will receive it, be clear about when and how you need the pick-up to happen. Many people offer porch pick up. Just leave the item at your front door. Others prefer to meet in public places. If you aren't comfortable giving out your address, then don't. Find a local public place to do the pick-up. So that's how Buy Nothing works.

Finally, I'd like to talk about the benefits of joining a Buy Nothing community. There are various benefits you can enjoy from becoming a part of a Buy Nothing community. First, is saving money. I joined my local Buy Nothing group about five years ago. At the time, money was very tight and I was looking for additional ways to save. Buy Nothing allowed me to get secondhand clothes, shoes,

books, and toys for my kids.

Another great thing about joining your local Buy Nothing community is that it helps to reduce waste. Many donation centers have a lot of waste because they simply cannot sell all the items they receive. Giving directly to the end-user gives the item another chance at being used. It helps keep it from ending up in the garbage.

In addition to giving an item another chance at being used, participating in a Buy Nothing group can help you to rethink consumption. How often do you order something on Amazon simply because it is so easy? While I don't think it's always wrong to do that, being a part of a Buy Nothing community may help you to consider alternatives. In a culture that tends to be consumer-driven, Buy Nothing can help you to live more simply and sustainably.

Finally, joining your local Buy Nothing group will likely mean that you connect with people who live near you that you otherwise would not have. I've heard wonderful stories of friendships formed through different groups. If you're new to a neighborhood or just haven't met many people yet, this is a great way to join your community.

Now that you know what a Buy Nothing group is, why not try joining your local one? It's a great way to give, receive, and build community.

Narrator: L-1. What are people in Buy Nothing groups not allowed to do?

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Narrator: L-2. Who receives the item from the giver?

<< Pause: 10 seconds >>

Narrator: L-3. How can the giver deliver the item to the receiver?

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Narrator: L-4. What is the first benefit of Buy Nothing groups?

<< Pause: 10 seconds >>

*Narrator*: L-5. What is the second benefit of Buy Nothing groups?

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Narrator: L-6. What does the speaker hope the listeners will do?

<< Pause: 10 seconds >>

Narrator: L-7. What is the fourth benefit of Buy Nothing groups?

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Narrator: Part Two.

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Man: Morning, Laura.

Woman: Oh hi, Marcus! So you're taking a German language class, too?

Man: That's right.

Woman: I thought you were going to take another science class.

Man: Oh, I've got to pick up a language class for my future career.

Woman: Are you looking forward to learning German?

Man: Sure. I heard the class is difficult. But I want to be able to read German.

Woman: Why? You're a science major, right?

Man: Well, there are a lot of scientific papers written in German. I need to be able to

read German.

Woman: I didn't realize German is so important in Science. Plus, it will help your job

hunting.

Man: That's right. I think it will strengthen my chances to get a job after I graduate.

Narrator: L-8. Why is the man choosing a German class this year?

<< Pause: 10 seconds >>

**Narrator**: L-9. What is the man's major?

<< Pause: 10 seconds >>

Woman: Yeah, you're right. Maybe you'll find a job at a German car company.

Man: Sounds good. I like the idea of combining science and language. It sounds more

interesting than working for an American car company.

Woman: Working abroad sounds challenging but it sure is exciting.

Man: Why are you taking this course?

Woman: Well, I have no choice. I need to pass the German class to graduate. This is a

required course for me. At least Dr. Schultz is supposed to be a very engaging

language teacher.

Man: Well, his website is really entertaining, at least! He's got a hilarious little language

game on it. Anyway, he's also got some good information there.

Narrator: L-10. What kind of job is the man interested in?

<< Pause: 10 seconds >>

Narrator: L-11. Why is the woman taking the German class?

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Narrator: L-12. What do the students know about the professor?

<< Pause: 10 seconds >>

Man: Did you pick up your textbook yet?

Woman: No. I've been looking for a secondhand copy before I spend big money on a new

one. It's expensive—thirty-five dollars!

Man: (sighs) They're all so expensive, aren't they? Why do poor college students have

to pay so much for textbooks? Nobody reads them except the students that take

the courses.

Woman: That's why I want to find a secondhand copy. Do you think there are copies at

the used bookstore across from the campus?

Man: They don't have any there now-- I checked.

Narrator: L-13. What is the problem with the course textbook?

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Narrator: L-14. What kind of textbook are the students looking for?

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Narrator: Part Three.

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Narrator: L-15

Woman: How did you like the movie you saw last night?

Man: I can't say it was the best I've ever seen.

Woman: Then you wouldn't recommend it, would you?

Man: Certainly not. Do not waste your time.

Narrator: How did the man like the movie?

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Narrator: L-16

Woman: Are you going to the post office?

Man: Yes. Why are you asking?

Woman: I'm just finishing a letter, but I still need a few minutes. I'll go with you if that's

OK.

Man: Sure. I guess I can wait for a few minutes. Let me know when you're ready to

Narrator: What does the woman want?

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L-17 Narrator:

Woman: Did you hear what happened to Timmy yesterday?

Man: No, is there something wrong with him?

Woman: He was in a minor car accident. He hit some shopping carts in the parking lot.

Man: Really? I hope nobody got injured.

Narrator: Where was Timmy's accident?

> Pause: 10 seconds >> <<

Narrator: L-18

Man: I'm not pleased with the way my shirts look when they are cleaned.

Woman: Why not find another dry cleaner?

I've already done that once, but I have the same problem. Man:

Woman: Then, you should try washing them yourself. That might help.

Narrator: What is the man's problem?

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L-19 Narrator:

Woman: I heard you are taking a Spanish class at the community college.

Man: Yes, I'm visiting my uncle in Spain next spring.

Woman: Are you? I'm going to France next year. Maybe I should take a French class. Man:

I have a course catalogue. You can see whether or not they're offering a French

course next semester.

Narrator: What is the woman thinking about doing?

Pause: 10 seconds >>

L-20 Narrator:

Woman: Have you started your research project for the management class?

Man: Well, I've decided on a topic but I haven't actually started the research yet.

Woman: You're late. You don't have that much time before the deadline. Man: I know. Actually, I went to the library yesterday but wasn't sure where to look.

**Narrator:** What is the man's problem?

<< Pause: 10 seconds >>

Narrator: L-21

Man: Shall we watch the soccer match tonight at the pub?

Woman: I didn't know there was a match tonight.

Man: Shame on you! The England national team is playing against Germany.

Woman: You know I don't like soccer very much, but sure, I'll join you at the pub.

Narrator: What will the woman do tonight?

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*Narrator:* L-22

Woman: How much of a tip should we leave?

*Man:* No more than five dollars.

Woman: Why do you say that? Wouldn't it be too little?

Man: No, not at all. The service was slow and the server was rude. If it was up to me,

I wouldn't even leave a tip.

Narrator: Why is the man angry?

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Narrator: L-23

Man: You look really tired. Did you sleep well last night?

Woman: Well, actually, I was able to sleep only a little bit. I haven't had a good sleep for

days.

Man: Oh, really? What's the problem?

Woman: The traffic around my new apartment is so noisy even at night, especially on the

weekends.

Narrator: Why does the woman have a sleeping problem?

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Narrator:

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