

Level: B1/B2

You will hear the text in 3 short sections (items 1-2; item3; items 4-5). Answer questions 1-5.

- 1. What is David Ulin's book *The Lost Art of Reading* mostly about?
  - A. How new ways of writing have affected literature
  - B. How difficult it is to find the time to read a book
  - C. How books are increasingly becoming less interesting
- 2. What happened because of the essay?
  - A. His editor criticized him
  - B. The public adored his ideas
  - C. His column was canceled by the paper
- 3. What problem did Noah have with writing comments on the novel?
  - A. They interfered with his involvement in the text
  - B. He would have to exchange them with other students
  - C. He usually didn't write unless he had the correct computer aplication
- 4. What does David Ulin say about reading serious literature?
  - A. It's something we should focus on to a greater extent
  - B. It doesn't pay off for everyone
  - C. Its former popularity has been exaggerated
- 5. What does he think is at the root of his distraction?
  - A. The varieties of new technology disturbing him
  - B. An aspect of his personality
  - C. An inability to motivate himself

**Answer key:** 1-A (B2), 2-B (B1), 3-A (B1), 4-C (B2), 5-B (B2).