APPENDIX - I

I Tool for testing Listening Comprehension of the plus one students.

Audio-taped material: Short story.

Once a King conducted a painting competition. A lot of painters took part in it with enthusiasm. There paintings, a flower, a plate of grapes and a curtain on the wall were chosen for the final judgment. The judges could not decide the three. Incredibly they noticed a bee buzzed towards the flower to suck the honey. Next they saw a monkey scrambling for the plate of grapes to pluck it. They were disappointed. The judges were fascinated to see them very near. Hence they pulled aside the curtain to go out of the room. But they were also disappointed. The curtain painting was conspicuously chosen for the king’s award. When the other two paintings cheated an insect and an animal, the third one cheated a human being. The king felt exhilarated and rewarded the painter with resplendent riches and wealth.

II Announcement.

1. Your attention please Train number 6525 Island Express from Kanyakumari to Bangalore via Hosur will arrive shortly on platform number 3.
2. Your attention please Train number 778 Madurai - Coimbatore fast passenger has arrived on platform number 6.
3. Your attention please Train number 5624 Guahati - Ernakulam Express via Palakkad will arrive shortly on platform number 1.
4. Your attention please Train number 6715 Coimbatore - Rameswaram express via Madurai will leave from platform number 6 at 22hrs 10 mins.
Ill News Broadcast.

Good evening

This is All India Radio and I am Shalini Singh giving you at 9:00. The Deputy Prime minister has announced that Mr. Arun Jaitley will hold talks with Jammu and Kashmir leaders on the autonomy issue.

The Lok Sabha has rejected the opposition adjournment motion on the Jammu killing. The entire opposition walks out. In kerala 13 people involved in the major spurious liquor tragedy have been sentenced life imprisonment. A special court in Delhi has convicted 14 persons in the Coomar Narayan espionage case and in sports Mohamed Kaif and Dinesh Mongia have been retained in the Indian Cricket squad in England.

The Deputy Prime Minister says that the former law minister Mr. Arun Jaitley will hold talks with the political leader of Jammu and Kashmir on the state autonomy issue. Mr. L.K. Advani made this announcement in the Lok Sabha while replying to the six hour long debate in the recent massacre of innocent people in Jammu. The Deputy Prime Minister indicated that relations with Pakistan will not be pulled over to as start till Islamabad winds up the infrastructure terrorism. Advani said we are of option after September 11 attack in New York, epicentre of terrorism, has now shifted to Pakistan.

The Congress president Mrs. Sonia Gandhi will visit Jammu tomorrow. She will meet the survivors and those injured in the Saturday cornish there. Mrs. Gandhi is also likely to visit border migrant camp in Jagbirsingpura.

The United States says Pakistan must enter permanently killing innocent people and dismantle terrorists training camps. The state department spokesman Mr. Richard Boucher to reporters in Washington,
that human attacks like one in Jammu make this much more difficult to resolve the situation between India and Pakistan through a dialogue.

The Central Forensic Science Laboratory CFSL has established that five people killed by security forces following the Satishsingpura massacre in 2000 were all local civilians and not terrorists as claimed by the forces. The Jammu and Kashmir chief minister Dr. Farooq Abdullah stated this after hearing the CFSL report in the state assembly today. In Kerala thirteen persons including a liquor contractor have been sentenced to life imprisonment after they were convicted in a connection in a media whose tragedy in the year 2000 which had claimed thirty-six lives.

The Orissa, a former minister Mr. Vijaya Mahapathrra, a senior IAS officer and 7 others charge sheeted by the state vigilant department. According to the charge sheet Mr. Mahapathra had showed undue favour to a superclass contractor during his tenure as education minister. Three days back three other former ministers Mr. Nalinikanth Mahanthi, Mr.Prashant Nandha and Mrs. Kamala Das had charge sheeted under various corruption charges.

The Jammu and Kashmir chief minister Dr. Farooq Adbullah says he will retire from politics shortly. He was speaking in state assembly during question hour today. He however did not give any specific date of his retirement.

In West Asia seven people were killed and 25 injured when the Palestinian militant denoted a bomb while a bus was reaching the Jewish settlement in the West bank. According to police they opened indiscriminate fire on more civilians. Israel has blamed the Palestinians authority for the attack and that's all for this night. Good night.