

Open Forum 3

Web Site Worksheet

Chapter 4

Name: _____

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1. Preparing to Listen

You are going to listen to a lecture at a public library about the history of eyeglasses. Before you listen, think about the following questions.

Do you, or does someone you know, wear eyeglasses? Why?

When do you think eyeglasses were invented?

2. Listening for Main Ideas

Read question 1. Listen to the lecture. Then check all the correct answers.

1. Which of these people and places are mentioned in the lecture as important in the history of eyeglasses?

- _____ a. Ancient Rome
- _____ b. Medieval France
- _____ c. Venice
- _____ d. China
- _____ e. Benjamin Franklin

3. Listening for More Detail

Read statements 2–11. Listen to the lecture again and write T for true or F for false for each statement.

- _____ 2. You would see an ophthalmologist if you had a problem with your eyes.
- _____ 3. Ancient Romans wore eyeglasses.
- _____ 4. Beryl is a gem that can act like a simple lens.
- _____ 5. Refract has the same meaning as “reflect.”
- _____ 6. A convex lens is shaped like the inside of a bowl.
- _____ 7. Modern glasses are usually made from glass.
- _____ 8. Venice was a center of glass making.
- _____ 9. Reverend Cross disliked glasses because they change the way you see the world.
- _____ 10. Bifocal lenses change color in direct sunlight.
- _____ 11. Bifocals give clear vision across a wide area of the lens.