

(#3001) The Happiest Person in Britain is from:

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Unit 2 P16

To Students:

This is the tapescript for the listening exercise we did in class.

Please check your answers with it and we will discuss this topic further in our next class.

Assignment 1: Prepare to ask your classmates questions about this story. There are some sample questions on P16.

Assignment 2: Prepare a short presentation about who you think is the Happiest Person in Japan.

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Can be bought at any major book store in Japan or ordered on the internet.

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Tapescript 10

The happiest person in Britain

The happiest person in Britain today is a professional married man between the ages of 35 and 54. He lives in the south of England but not in London. He owns a comfortable, detached house and has two children.

What does he do?

He has a steady job in an office in London. After a hard day at work, he relaxes in front of the television or watches a video. He doesn't go out every evening, but two evenings a week he meets friends for a drink in the local pub. He owns a pet, usually a dog, and takes it for a walk every day after work. He spends on average £ 120 per week.

Where does he go?

At the weekend, he regularly eats in restaurants, goes to see shows, and plays a sport (usually golf). Most weekends he puts on a pair of old blue jeans, and potters in the garden. He usually goes on holiday abroad more than once a year.

What does his wife do?

His wife is happy, too, but not quite as happy. She runs the home and has a job, but she doesn't earn as much as her husband.