I : Ecoute globale : The audio guide can be divided into five sections. Listen carefully, and put these section headings into the correct order. Note down any key words that helped you to decide.

Join with an arrow       Key words :
Facts & Figures ‣       ‣ Section 1  ..........................................................
Traffic on & over ‣       ‣ Section 2  ..........................................................
Tower Bridge Exhibition ‣       ‣ Section 3  ..........................................................
History ‣       ‣ Section 4  ..........................................................
Welcome & Introduction ‣       ‣ Section 5  ..........................................................

II : Ecoute détaillée : Now listen again, section by section, and answer the following questions :

Section 1 :
1. What sort of bridge is it ? (several answers required !)
   ρ aqueduct           ρ viaduct           ρ pontoon bridge
   ρ railway bridge     ρ bascule bridge (=drawbridge)    ρ suspension bridge
   ρ footbridge (for pedestrians)  ρ road bridge (for vehicles)  ρ rope bridge
2. What is the name of the river it crosses ? ............................................
3. Tower Bridge is located near to another famous London tourist site. What is this famous monument called ? ............................................
4. Tower Bridge’s two towers are joined at the top by ............................................ for ............................................ and at the bottom by ............................................ for ............................................
5. What angle can the bridge bascules be raised to ? .................................
6. Where is the operating machinery to raise the bridge bascules ? .................................
7. What colour(s) was the bridge painted in to celebrate the Queen’s Silver Jubilee ? .................................
8. When was the Queen’s Silver Jubilee ? .................................
9. What colour was the bridge painted originally ? ............................................

Section 2 :
1. Who did what ? Join the name with the activity he did :
   Horace Jones ‣       ‣ Bascule bridge designer
   Sir John Wolfe Barry ‣       ‣ Bridge designer
   George Stevenson ‣       ‣ Opened the bridge
   Prince of Wales ‣       ‣ Chose the final materials
2. When did the building of Tower Bridge start ? .............................................
Section 3 : Complete the table with the relevant information :

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Length of bridge</th>
<th>Weight of the concrete piers</th>
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<tr>
<td>Height of towers</td>
<td>Weight of the steel framework</td>
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<td>Length of central part</td>
<td>Height of the walkways above water level</td>
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<td>Length of side spans</td>
<td>Original source of power for the raising mechanism</td>
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<td>Weight of each bascule</td>
<td>Source of power for the raising mechanism nowadays</td>
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<tr>
<td>Time taken to raise or lower the bascules</td>
<td>Year the current hydraulic mechanism was installed</td>
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Section 4 :

What do these figures represent ?

1. 40 000 ..................................................................................................................
2. 20 ..........................................................................................................................
3. 32 ..........................................................................................................................
4. 18 ..........................................................................................................................
5. 1000 .....................................................................................................................
6. 2008 .....................................................................................................................

Section 5 :

1. What can you see in the walkways today ? ..........................................................
2. Why were the walkways shut between 1910 and 1982 ? ..................................
3. Find the expression for “vues stupéfiantes” : ......................................................
4. How many tourists come to the exhibition every year ? ....................................
5. What can you see in a building near the south end of the bridge ? ..................