

I: Man interviewing

H: Young woman being interviewed; Hannah

The top five

I: I'd like to welcome you to the Public Broadcasting System in the United States today, and to the program Living Today. We have with us in the studio Hannah from Great Britain...

H: That's right.

I: Who's going to tell us a little bit about what it is that's most important for her. We've asked her if she could give us the five most important things she feels that she would have in her life.

H: Yeah, well, um, actually I thought it was quite fun to sit down and create this list because it's not usually something I reflect upon, like, you know, trying to rank things in...

I: I understand, yeah.

H: Yeah.

I: Okay.

H: So I managed to come up with this list and it reflects obviously my wishes today for how I would like my life to be in a few years.

I: Okay, fine. Well, what's Number One on your list then?

H: We should start with Number Five.

I: Okay. If you like, we'll start with Number Five.

H: Good relationships in general. Perhaps like a good boyfriend. I mean, I'm still young so it's not like I really have to find someone immediately who I'll spend the rest of my life with and marry and have kids with, but that, like, yeah, kind of healthy relationships generally and, like, nice boyfriends.

I: What kind of characteristics would this person or persons have?

H: Um, well, I really like tall people, like really tall people. I don't know why. So, he has to be tall, kind of maybe a bit dark, mysterious, and share similar interests to me, but not too similar, you know. It's nice to have somebody with slightly different interests.

I: Okay, and shall we move on to Number Four, then?

H: Absolutely. Number Four, I would like to move out of the small town that I grew up in and live in an exciting city.

I: Why out of the small town and which city?

H: Well, there's a limited amount of people and most people who live there have lived there all their lives and their families are from there and I think... I feel like it's quite a closed environment.

I: Ah. So you'd like to meet someone new.

H: Yeah.

I: Where would you like to go?

H: A cultural city, definitely.

I: How cultural? Something like Boston, Paris...?

H: Yeah, Berlin maybe.

I: Berlin perhaps. Oh? Sounds interesting. Okay. Shall we move on to Number Three.

H: Yeah, well Number Three is sort of... is an expansion of Number Four. I'd like to travel, just in general travel. Travel everywhere, like challenging places, places with, like wildly different cultures and just basically I'd like to be someone who has seen a lot and, like, who is interested in discovering new things.

I: Is there any single place that you would like to go if you could have a ticket from us right now and go travel in the world?

H: Well, I can't decide on one particular place. Maybe somewhere in Africa since I've never been there.

I: Okay.

H: My half-brother, he's been in Kenya three times because his mother's Kenyan...

I: I see. Okay.

H: ...so I'd like to go there as well.

I: How about moving on to Number Two then.

H: Yeah. Number Two is, I've put down a good job or, not necessarily a successful career. Well, successful, like, you know, on a personal level, that I feel that it's somewhat fulfilling. And I am a bit materialistic, so I would like to have a good income, but mostly just a job where I can use my interests and my...

I: And what are your interests that you'd like to use if you could just pick your job?

H: Well, I really like writing and I'm very interested in culture and stuff and arts, so maybe like, I don't know. I mean, journalism isn't known for making people crazy rich. But that would be nice because I also like writing, sort of, fiction.

I: Oh, good! That sounds great. And I hope you get a chance to do it. Finally dum-da-dum-dum, Number One.

H: I found Number One quite difficult to come up with, because it's like, so... let me think, the Number One, but I basically... I would really love to see something that I wrote published.

I: Ah, as a writer. You wanna see your words in print.

H: Yeah.

I: I think that that sounds like a wonderful thing to wish as Number One, Hannah, and I wish you the best of luck in doing so.

H: Thank you.