**Exercise 01:  listen to the audio track then answer the following questions**

1. **What did thatcher’s spokesman announce to the public as to her death?**

**……………………………………………………………………………….**

1. **Why was she out of public view before her death?**

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1. **What was thatcher’s relationship with the Soviet leader Gorbachev like?**

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1. **What was her main achievement at the international level?**

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1. **How did the British view her?**

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**Exercise 02:**  Match the beginnings of the sentences (1-6) with the sentence endings (a-i).

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| **1.David Cameron sees Mrs Thatcher as** |
| **2. For some time she had lived a quiet life due to** |
| **3The Americans remember her mainly for** |
| **4.Just like Gorbachev, Thatcher was convinced of** |
| **5. In her view, political talks go well if there is** |
| **6. She understood Mikhail Gorbachev's role as** |
| **7. Together with Reagan she tried hard to** |
| **8. Former countries of the Soviet Union have** |
| **9. In Britain many agree that she was** |

1. **An important personality in politics**
2. A positive image of her
3. Put a stop to an international conflict
4. Someone who would bring change
5. Faith in your political partners
6. Her very own political views
7. Her friendly connection with a former US president
8. An illness which started long ago
9. Her opposition to Reagan
10. Someone who rescued Britain

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**Exercise 03:**  listen again to the last part of the audio track and fill in the blanks with the appropriate word(s).

She …………… the rulebook. She broke the powerful and often ………. ……. ………. She ……………….. - sometimes violently - the ……… ………….., for example, the miners. She ………….. ……………….. industries, sold off social housing, liberalized the rules governing the ………………….. and more. Did battle, for example, with the left. She was seen as very uncompromising, to the point of …………………….., particularly in that battle with the left, particularly at ………………… level. Her attempt also to ………. ……. …….. ……., the IRA, during the civil war in Northern Ireland were also seen as very strong, ………, and led, in fact, to ………………..of her Cabinet and………… assassination of herself at a hotel in southern England in ………...