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#### Interviewer: Are you comfortable with the association with the series and the character that you’ll have for the rest of your life?

Radcliffe: Well, I think that every opportunity I’ll get for the rest of my life, I would not have got if it wasn’t for *Harry Potter.* And it would be height of ingratitude if I was ever anything but proud to be associated with these films.

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#### Now we are ready to start. Speaker A

Located at the foot of Dragon Mountain, Pinocchio restaurant can accommodate up to fi0 people. Our family owned restaurant serves both Asian and European cuisines and have been in business for over ten years! We offer flexible breakfast and a special menu for lunch. Our guests will be surprised by a pleasant dinner with the gentle light of candles in a quite romantic atmosphere. You are also wel- come to enjoy your desert or drink on the terrace, facing the valley and providing a fantastic view of majestic mountains.

#### Speaker B

From seafood to pasta, Millennium restaurant has all of your favorite dishes and some that are sure to become your new favorites once you try them. The restaurant is home to our spectacular Crys- tal Ball Room, where we feature special buffets for holiday events. We offer top-quality catering ser- vice to help make your next party a success. No matter whether you have a small group or a big get- together, you will be able to enjoy all of our delicious food items through our buffet style catering ser- vices.

#### Speaker C

Whether you want a delicious home-styled breakfast, a specialty sandwich for lunch or a warm, hearty dinner, *Tropicana* restaurant is the place to be. Friday and Saturday nights are extra special as we have a pianist in our lounge for your listening enjoyment. Children are given special attention at our restaurant. We have puzzles and coloring books to keep them busy while they wait for their meal to be prepared. Please join us for what will be a fun and memorable dining experience. We look for- ward to seeing you soon.

#### Speaker D

Our restaurant features several colorful details that are visible from the restaurant terrace, such as an aquarium with live fish and an open grill in which we prepare meat dishes. These details are proof of the rich offer that the restaurant has and an invitation to enjoy offered delicacies. A visit to this luxurious restaurant becomes a memorable gastronomic experience for every guest.

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#### Just a single look at our meals makes it evident how much love and passion our top professional chefs invested in their cooking to bring you all of the food dishes that you love.

Speaker E

Harvest’s inviting interior was designed by acclaimed award-winning designer Lori Carroll. Har- vest features fresh salads and soups, seasonal seafood, as well as several dishes using local grass-fed beef and handmade pasta. All ingredients are served fresh and only featured at their peak times throughout the year. Our menu changes seasonally to take advantage of our local farmers’ crops, some of whom exclusively grow for Harvest’s menu. We also take one step further by offering seasonal cocktails using only fresh squeezed juices and freshly muddled ingredients.

#### Speaker F

We are happy to welcome everyone at our restaurant that offers all of the traditional comfort foods made with that homemade touch. If you liked grandma’s meatloaf and mashed potatoes, you’ll love the food down here. When you visit our restaurant, you will be treated like a member of the fam- ily. From the time you walk through the front door until the time you are ready to leave, our waiters and waitresses will give you the friendliest and most attentive service. We love people and want every- one to have as enjoyable an eating experience as possible.

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Now we are ready to start.

The manager: Good afternoon, Marina Beach Hotel. May I help you? Mrs Ryefield: Yes. I’d like to book a room, please.

The manager: Certainly. What dates would you like?

Mrs Ryefield: I’d like to come on the 4 h of September. That’s Sunday.

The manager: I am sorry we are fully booked until the 15th of September, and the nearest Sunday will be September the 18th.

Mrs Ryefield: I am afraid it’s rather cool at the end of September.

The manager: Not at all, madam. The average air temperature in September is 28 °C and the sea is

good for swimming.

Mrs Ryefield: OK, I’ll have to change my schedule. Let it be the 18th of September.

The manager: How long are you going to stay?

Mrs Ryefield: For two weeks.

Receptionist: What kind of room would you like, madam?

Mrs Ryefield: I’d like a single room with a bath. I’d also appreciate it if you could give me a room overlooking the sea.

The manager: Certainly, madam. I’ll just check what we have available... I’m afraid our single rooms are fully booked. Would you take a double room? We have a room on the 4th floor with a really splendid view.

Mrs Ryefield: What are your rates for a double room?

The manager: Would you like breakfast, half board or full board?

Mrs Ryefield: I think half board will be enough.

The manager: If you stay in a double alone, it’s 84 euro per night excluding VAT. Mrs Ryefield: And if I come with my husband?

The manager: Then it’s 110 euro per night for a double room with half board. Mrs Ryefield: I think I’d better take a double room for me and my husband.

The manager: That’s fine. Who’s the booking for, please, madam?

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#### Mrs Ryefield: Mr and Mrs Ryefield, that’s R-Y-E-F-I-E-L-D.

The manager: Okay, let me check your booking: Mr and Mrs Ryefield. A double with a bath for 2 weeks starting from September the 15th. Is that correct?

Mrs Ryefield: Not exactly. The starting date is September the 18th. The manager: Sorry, madam. I’ve got it. How will you be paying?

Mrs Ryefield: By credit card. The number is 2073 0905 0732 8914. The manager: Expiry date?

Mrs Ryefield: July next year.

The manager: Thank you, madam. Let me give you your confirmation number. It’s seven-five-sev- en-double six-eight-five (7576685). I’ll repeat that: 7576685. Thank you for choosing Marina Beach Hotel and have a nice day. Goodbye.

Mrs Ryefield: Thank you. Goodbye.

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Now we are ready to start.

Reader’s Digest: In your new book, you criticize your fellow environmentalists, using such words as ‘outdated’ and ‘too tradition-bound.’ Why?

Stewart Brand: To understand why I’m critical, you have to remember that at the beginning of the environmental movement, back in the 1970s, the green credo was built on three ‘antis’: anti-nuclear power, anti-genetically engineered crops, and anti-densely populated cities. But the world has changed radically. Today we’re faced with the threat of catastrophic global warming; and the applica- tion of technology is our only chance to reverse this greenhouse devastation. As a result, some funda- mental green ideas have to be re-examined and rethought.

RD: Let’s be specific: Which ideas are you talking about?

Stewart Brand: Take, for example, the once sacrosanct ideas that nuclear power and genetically engineered crops are bad. That simply doesn’t make sense anymore. We now have a number of exciting and maturing technologies to address the challenge of climate change, including advances in nuclear power generation and the creation of genetically engineered crops that use less energy and less water.

RD: So, how would you describe the current state of the environmental movement?

Stewart Brand: There’s a battle going on right now. A fair number of people are gradually going from being antinuclear to being cautiously pronuclear. Of course, many greens, especially in Europe, are still against transgenic crops. But I’ve talked to others who are not as worked up about technolo- gies like synthetic biology. In short, everything is in flux. For instance, in the past, nobody wanted to talk about finding ways to make coal less dirty. But now that our backs are against the wall, we’ve got to look at every possible way of making energy cleaner.

RD: You’ve said that the opposition among greens to the genetic management of agriculture is the biggest mistake the environmental movement has ever made. Do you still stand by that sweeping statement?

Stewart Brand: Absolutely. We did active harm, especially in Africa by promoting a form of anti- science. We told people in the developing world, ‘Pay no attention to the scientists who say that trans- genic crops are not only okay but also more productive, more sustainable, and actually good for the environment.’ And we had no right to say that. After all, we are the people who base our arguments regarding global climate change on scientific data, and yet when the science didn’t suit our precon- ceived notions, we abandoned science. That’s not good.

RD: What’s been the reaction to your *proposals* on genetically modified food?

Stewart Brand: Well, I’m a little surprised that food activists haven’t come over to my way of thinking. The local growing of organic food is absolutely fantastic in a country where the major nutri- tion problem is obesity. However, that’s not the major nutrition problem in most of the world. What’s

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needed is volume. The second green revolution is in the next set of good technologies in agriculture. Not only of higher yield, lower cost, cheaper food, better distribution, but also environmentally green in terms of climate.

RD: Let’s talk about nuclear energy, which you now advocate. How practical is that? It creates all that dangerous waste, and we have no way to dispose of it.

Stewart Brand: Air pollution from coal burning is estimated to cause 30,000 deaths a year from lung disease in the USA and 350,000 deaths in China. A one-gigawatt coal plant produces seven million tons of carbon dioxide, all of which immediately goes into the atmosphere, where no one can control it. Using a nuclear reactor to generate one gigawatt a year requires only about 20 tons of nuclear fuel. It’s true that nuclear reactors create 20 tons of nuclear waste, but they create absolutely zero carbon dioxide.

RD: That still doesn’t address the question of what we do with all the spent nuclear waste. Stewart Brand: Right now, that nuclear waste is carefully monitored by the government. By con-

trast, the millions of tons of carbon dioxide that go into the atmosphere from a coal plant are neither controlled nor retrievable. One new thing in spent nuclear-waste storage that’s come along is the so- called borehole technology. The idea is you dig a borehole three miles deep. You can drop spent fuel rods down the borehole, pour in some concrete, and forget about the whole thing. And then there’s a breakthrough in nuclear technology that’s just over the horizon. I mean fourth-generation reactors that can reprocess the spent nuclear fuel.

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Now we are ready to start. Speaker A

I feel that in the future speed limits will go up. I saw a special programme on TV about cars of the

future. They will have automatic scratch repair, and that if people trust them enough to let the car drive itself, we will be able to speed through intersections at like 200 mph with cars coming an inch away from us. Moreover, I’m sure that soon cars will be able to fly, making it possible to avoid traffic jams. Nowadays technology is booming and soon it will be everywhere. We’ll live in houses full of elec— tronic gadgets and robots doing housework.

Speaker B

Of course technology will continue to develop to make our lives still more comfortable. Some people even dream about implanting microchips in their bodies to have full control over electronic gadgets. But honestly, I don’t think much is going to change, especially traditions. People will celebrate holidays with their families and friends, just like they do it now. For Halloween they will dress their kids up in cute costumes and take them trick—or-treating. On Christmas Eve, children will still decorate Christmas trees and wait for Santa to bring them presents. And I hope beautiful weddings won’t disappear.