H = Host, C = College, OU = Open University,
MM = MicroMatters, U3A = University of the
Third Age

H: Good afternoon. Welcome to *Live to Learn*. People today often want to continue learning throughout their lives, but what are their choices? First, let's talk to Aileen Murphy, head of Bexley Green Language and Business College.

C: Good afternoon. Well, at Bexley Green College, we offer a range of languages and business topics, so it's a good place to get more skills.

H: Which languages do you teach at the college?

C: Well, English, of course – we have a lot of students from overseas, all over the world really, who take English and perhaps a business course, too – we have very well-qualified business tutors. But we also offer French, Spanish, German, Russian and Chinese for English speakers. A lot of our students are business people who want to learn another language.

H: How much do the courses cost?

C: It depends. Our most popular course is a ten-week part-time language course of about ten hours a week, and that costs about £800.

H: And your classes are all at your college?

C: No, most of our classes are at the college, but we have evening classes at the local university buildings, too.

H: Thank you, Aileen. Now we have Graham Knight, from the Open University.

OU: Well, the Open University is a distance learning university – that is, you study at home, using books, CD-ROMs, the

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N: OK. Now I've got the application form.

S: OK. Let's go through it together.

N: I don't have a problem with the personal information, but I'm not sure if I filled in the rest correctly.

S: OK, so you've got your personal details. What about the course?

N: I want to do two courses at the same time.

S: That's fine. There are three lines under 'course choice', you just put your two choices on the first two lines. What are they?

N: I want to do 'Advanced Improvers' English' ...

S: That's code 30755 – put that in now.

N: OK, and 'Business for Beginners'.

S: That's code 72592 – put that on the second line.

N: Right.

S: Now enter the start date for the courses.

N: That's 22nd June. OK.

S: And choose how you want to pay.

N: Um, credit card. My number is ...

S: Don't give me the details now; it isn't necessary.

N: OK. Now I click 'send' ...

S: No, don't do that! You have to read and accept the conditions first.

N: Oh, I didn't do that before. So, I read those ... and I click here ... OK.

S: When you click 'accept the conditions', a 'send' box appears.

N: I see. Yes, it's there.

S: Now you click on that and the form come to us. OK, do that now.

N: Right. Oh, that's OK now.

S: Yes, I can see your form on my screen now. That's all fine, Ms Koparova, you car expect to hear from us in two or three days ...

2 **a** Match the adverts (A–D) on the right with the types of learning (1–4).
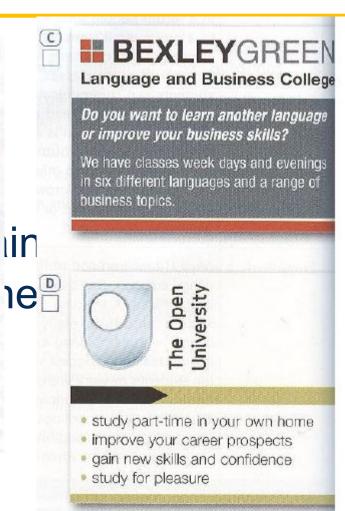
1 distance learning ☐ 3 professional training ☐
2 language school ☐ 4 education for older people ☐

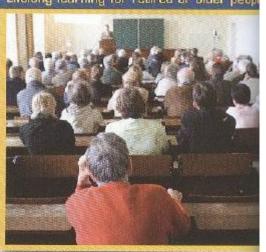**b** 🔊 2.48 Listen to four people talking. Write 1–4 next to the adverts in the order the speakers talk about them.

3 Listen again and complete the table.

	Bexley Green College	Open University	MicroMatters Ltd	University of the Third Age
Where do you study?	at the college/at a local university			
How much does it cost?		about £600 a year		
How much time does it take?			two or three days	
Examples of subjects				

U3A
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All computing skills

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• improve your career prospects
• gain new skills and confidence
• study for pleasure

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Thank you!
Have a nice day!