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**R = Reporter, L = Lorette**

**R:** It’s about six o’clock in the morning here in New Orleans and the streets are very quiet. But in about six hours the city is going to have the biggest party in the world and thousands of visitors from all over are going to fill the streets. However, Mardi Gras is really about the local communities in the city. So, I’ve come to the traditional Tremé neighbourhood of New Orleans where there are already some people preparing for the big day. So, I’ll try to speak to some of them … Hello? Hello?

**L:** Hello?

**R:** Hello. What’s your name?

**L:** Lorette.

**R:** Hi Lorette. You’re wearing a fantastic costume. Are you going to be in the parade this afternoon?

**L:** That’s right. I’m meeting everyone at the float in a few minutes and then we’re riding through the city.

**R:** As I say your dress looks amazing. Did you make it?

**L:** Yes, we all make our own costumes for Mardi Gras.

**R:** And do you have a mask?

**L:** Sure. Here it is. I’ll put it on.

**R:** Wow. That’s perfect. So tell me. How important is Mardi Gras for the people in Tremé?

**L:** It’s the most important part of the year. It brings people together.

**R:** Well, good luck this afternoon. You’re going to have a great time, I’m sure!

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