

## **The Passionate Shepherd**

*Your Royalty ...*

**I. You will hear an interview with a patent attorney. Listen carefully and fill the gaps.**

The patent attorney claims that even though large corporations and universities dominate the world of patents, 30 per cent of all patent holders do not have an **(1)** ..... . Most small businesses are individually owned. That means that individual inventors still have the chance to prepare their own patent **(2)** ..... and make use of them. If inventors provide a detailed description in conjunction with **(3)** ....., they will manage to patent their inventions.

His favorite inventor is a neighbor of his who really knew how **(4)** ..... worked, and even though he invented TV a little before its time, his widow managed to collect a lot of money from royalties after his death.

When asked if there is one **(5)** ..... thing before patenting an invention, the attorney points out that, in fact, without making a search and an evaluation for commercial **(6)** ..... to patent an invention is useless. A third thing you need to do is to prepare for the challenges and difficulties by **(7)** ..... the conception.