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Dear Mr Sandhu,

We were delighted to receive your cheque for £5,000. Listening Books simply could not survive without the generous support of trusts and I would ask that you pass on our sincere thanks to the other Trustees also for this support for our work.

Listening Books' membership has almost doubled to some 20,000 over the last couple of years. In May 2010 we launched our very well received 'Books for Hospices' project where participating adults' and children's hospices receive a mini-library of 200 audiobook titles, CD display stand, CD players and headphones. We now have 38 hospices on board and 30 on a waiting list.

As an extension of our Internet Streaming service and our 'Sound Learning' educational audiobook programme, in January of this year we entered into a formal partnership with London Grid for Learning (LGfL) to reach 2150 London schools through students' Virtual Learning Environments (VLEs). This will be expanded to other regional grids across the country.

There is a great need for core funds and your generous donation will help us towards realizing the aims and goals of the charity.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate you on the 20th anniversary of the Santon Group and I hope you had an excellent 50th birthday.

Yours sincerely

Bill Dee
Director

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