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DOMANDA INGLESE 1

My morning routine

My name is Bob. Each day I drive my kids to school. My daughter goes to a school that's far from our house. It takes 30 minutes to get there. Then I drive my son to his school. It's close to my job. My daughter is in the sixth grade and my son is in the second. They are both good students. My daughter usually sings her favorite songs while I drive. My son usually sleeps.

Did you understand the text?

Which two places are near each other?

- a) home and office
- b) son's school and office
- c) home and daughter's school
- d) daughter's school and office

What happens in the car each morning?

- a) father and daughter tell jokes
- b) son and daughter talk
- c) son sleeps and daughter sings
- d) daughter reads and son sleeps

Which child is older?

- a) daughter
- b) son
- c) same age
- d) not sure

DOMANDA INGLESE 2

My morning routine

I arrive at the office at 8:30 AM. I say good morning to all my workmates then I get a big cup of hot coffee. I turn on my computer and read my email. Some days I have a lot to read. Soon I need another cup of coffee.

Did you understand the text?

What happens at the office?

- a) workmates give Bob a big cup of hot coffee
- b) Bob gives all his workmates a big cup of hot coffee
- c) Bob gets a big cup of hot coffee
- d) all of the above

When does Bob get his second cup of coffee?

- a) after driving the children home
- b) before reading his email
- c) before greeting his coworkers
- d) after reading his email

DOMANDA INGLESE 3

A great summer vacation

I just returned from the greatest summer vacation! It was so fantastic, I never wanted it to end. I spent eight days in Paris, France. My best friends, Henry and Steve, went with me. We had a beautiful hotel room in the Latin Quarter, and it wasn't even expensive. We had a balcony with a wonderful view.

Did you understand the text?

What city did they go to for their summer vacation?

- a) Lyon
- b) Louvre
- c) Paris
- d) Latin

How long was the summer vacation?

- a) Eight weeks
- b) Eight days
- c) One week
- d) Two weeks

What did their hotel room have?

- a) A balcony
- b) A refrigerator
- c) A view of the metro
- d) A bottle of wine

DOMANDA INGLESE 4

A great summer vacation

We visited many famous tourist places. My favorite was the Louvre, a well-known museum. I was always interested in art, so that was a special treat for me. The museum is so huge, you could spend weeks there. Henry got tired walking around the museum and said "Enough! I need to take a break and rest."

Did you understand the text?

Who got tired walking in the Louvre museum?

- a) Steve
- b) Harry
- c) Seine
- d) Henry

DOMANDA INGLESE 5

Going to a restaurant

Sandra and Paul are at a steak restaurant. A waiter greets them.

"Do you know what you would like to drink?" the waiter asks.

"Water and orange juice," Sandra says.

"Thank you. Here are your menus," the waiter says.

The waiter brings water for Paul and orange juice for Sandra.

Did you understand the text?

What kind of restaurant did Paul and Sandra go to?

- a) a fast food restaurant
- b) a steak restaurant
- c) a pizza restaurant
- d) an Italian restaurant

What did Paul and Sandra order to drink?

- a) soda for Paul and beer for Sandra
- b) water for Paul and orange juice for Sandra
- c) beer for Paul and water for Sandra
- d) beer for Paul and orange juice for Sandra

DOMANDA INGLESE 6

Going to a restaurant

"What would you like to order?" the waiter asks.

"I would like a 12-ounce steak and mashed potatoes," Paul says.

"The same thing, but with green beans," Sandra says.

"And two orders of garlic bread," Paul says.

"Great. You should have it in soon," the waiter says.

The waiter returns after an hour.

"Sorry for your wait. Here are two orders of 12-ounce steaks with mashed potatoes and garlic bread," the waiter says.

"I asked for green beans with mine," Sandra says.

"I'm sorry, I'll get those for you," the waiter says.

The waiter quickly returns with Sandra's green beans.

Did you understand the text?

What kind of steaks did Paul and Sandra order?

- a) two eight-ounce steaks
- b) two twenty-ounce steaks
- c) two twelve-ounce steaks
- d) two eighteen-ounce steaks

What was wrong with Sandra's order?

- a) she got coleslaw when she wanted green beans
- b) she got green beans when she wanted corn
- c) she got mashed potatoes when she wanted green beans
- d) she got green beans when she

DOMANDA INGLESE 7

Preparing food

Jack was hungry. He walked to the kitchen. He got out some eggs. He took out some oil. He placed a skillet on the stove. Next, he turned on the heat. He poured the oil into the skillet. He cracked the eggs into a bowl. He stirred the eggs. Then, he poured them into the hot skillet. He waited while the eggs cooked. They cooked for two minutes. He heard them cooking. They popped in the oil.

Did you understand the text?

What food was cooked?

- a) Pork
- b) Rice
- c) Fish
- d) Eggs

How long did the eggs cook?

- a) 2 minutes
- b) 3 minutes
- c) 5 minutes
- d) 10 minutes

DOMANDA INGLESE 8

Preparing food

Next, Jack put the eggs on a plate. He placed the plate on the dining room table. Jack loved looking at his eggs. They looked pretty on the white plate. He sat down in the large wooden chair. He thought about the day ahead. He ate the eggs with a spoon. They were good.

Did you understand the text?

Where did Jack eat the eggs?

- a) In front of the TV
- b) At the dining room table
- c) In the kitchen
- d) In his room

What was the chair made of?

- a) Wood
- b) Metal
- c) Stone
- d) We do not know

DOMANDA INGLESE 9

The House

Mr. and Mrs. Smith have one son and one daughter. The son's name is John. The daughter's name is Sarah.

The Smiths live in a house. They have a living room. They watch TV in the living room. The father cooks food in the kitchen. They eat in the dining room. The house has two bedrooms. They sleep in the bedrooms. They keep their clothes in the closet. There is one bathroom. They brush their teeth in the bathroom.

Did you understand the text?

How many children do Mr. and Mrs. Smith have?

- a) One son
- b) One daughter
- c) One son and one daughter
- d) No children

Where does the family eat?

- a) Living room
- b) Kitchen
- c) Bedroom
- d) Dining room

Who cooks in the kitchen?

- a) Mother
- b) Sarah
- c) Father
- d) John

How many bedrooms are in the house?

- a) One
- b) Two
- c) Three
- d) Four

DOMANDA INGLESE 10

The House

The house has a garden. John and Sarah play in the garden. They have a dog. John and Sarah like to play with the dog.

Did you understand the text?

What do John and Sarah do in the garden?

- a) Play
- b) Sleep
- c) Cook
- d) Brush their teeth

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DOMANDA INGLESE 11
Letter to a Friend

Hi, Fred!

It's been a while since we have been in touch. How has your semester been?

I wanted to send you an email update to you let you know how things have been going during my semester abroad here in Málaga, Spain. I've already been here for six weeks, and I feel like I am finally adapting to the culture. I'm also speaking the language more fluently.

I arrived during the first week of September. The weather has been very nice. Even though it's October, it's still rather sunny and warm. In fact, I went to the beach and swam in the Mediterranean Sea earlier today.

Did you understand the text?

Why is Patrick writing to Fred?

- a) To give Fred travel advice
- b) To update Fred about life abroad
- c) To wish Fred a happy birthday
- d) To offer Fred a job in Spain

Based on the letter, Málaga is most likely located:

- a) On the coast
- b) In the mountains
- c) In a valley
- d) In Madrid, the capital

How long has Patrick been out of the country?

- a) One week
- b) One month
- c) Six weeks
- d) Six months

DOMANDA INGLESE 12

Letter to a Friend

I am living with a very welcoming host family. I have my own private bedroom, but we eat breakfast, lunch, and dinner together. On Sundays, we eat a big home-cooked paella for lunch. In Spain, lunch is usually the biggest meal of the day. It's also very common for the people to take a midday nap right after a big meal. I am actually just waking up from my nap right now!

Did you understand the text?

4) The best definition of "paella" is:

- a) A frozen beverage
- b) A common meal
- c) A sweet dessert
- d) A small snack

DOMANDA INGLESE 13

Letter to a Friend

On weekdays, I take classes at the local university. There, I met several native Spanish speakers. They have been very kind and patient with me. At first, I struggled to comprehend their Spanish, but now I understand most of our conversations. They have commented that my Spanish has improved a lot since we first met. Now, I am more confident to use the language in other places like stores and restaurants.

Did you understand the text?

What does Patrick do from Monday to Friday?

- a) Offer English lessons
- b) Go out with friends
- c) Travel internationally
- d) Take college classes

DOMANDA INGLESE 14

Letter to a Friend

I am so glad that I decided to spend the semester here in Spain. We have an extended weekend coming up, so a group of my friends and I are going to travel to France for four days. It's so easy and inexpensive to travel internationally in Europe. I love it!

I look forward to hearing from you soon. Like I said, don't hesitate to stay in touch more often. Perhaps you could even come to visit! What do you think?

Best wishes,
Patrick

Did you understand the text?

Where does Patrick plan on traveling during the extended weekend?

- a) Spain
- b) France
- c) England
- d) Germany

DOMANDA INGLESE 15

Spanish Flu Pandemic of 1918

The deadliest virus in modern history, perhaps of all time, was the 1918 Spanish Flu. It killed about 20 to 50 million people worldwide, perhaps more. The total death toll is unknown because medical records were not kept in many areas.

Did you understand the text?

Which pandemic is the deadliest in modern history?

- a) The bubonic plague in the 14th century
- b) The Philadelphia yellow fever epidemic in 1793
- c) The Spanish Flu in 1918
- d) The Covid-19 coronavirus in 2020

DOMANDA INGLESE 16

Spanish Flu Pandemic of 1918

The pandemic hit during World War I and devastated military troops. In the United States, for instance, more servicemen were killed from the flu than from the war itself. The Spanish flu was fatal to a higher proportion of young adults than most flu viruses.

Did you understand the text?

The Spanish Flu pandemic occurred during which war?

- a) The French Revolution
- b) The Spanish-American War
- c) World War I
- d) World War II

DOMANDA INGLESE 17

Spanish Flu Pandemic of 1918

The pandemic started mildly, in the spring of 1918, but was followed by a much more severe wave in the fall of 1918. The war likely contributed to the devastating mortality numbers, as large outbreaks occurred in military forces living in close quarters. Poor nutrition and the unsanitary conditions of war camps had an effect.

Did you understand the text?

When was the first wave of the Spanish Flu pandemic?

- a) Spring 1918
- b) Summer 1918
- c) Fall 1918
- d) Winter 1918

What contributed to deaths from the flu in military personnel?

- a) Close quarters
- b) Poor nutrition
- c) Unsanitary conditions
- d) All of the above

DOMANDA INGLESE 18

Spanish Flu Pandemic of 1918

A third wave occurred in the winter and spring of 1919, and a fourth, smaller wave occurred in a few areas in spring 1920. Initial symptoms of the flu were typical: sore throat, headache, and fever. The flu often progressed rapidly to cause severe pneumonia and sometimes hemorrhage in the lungs and mucus membranes. A characteristic feature of severe cases of the Spanish Flu was heliotrope cyanosis, where the patient's face turned blue from lack of oxygen in the cells. Death usually followed within hours or days.

Did you understand the text?

What is a characteristic feature of serious cases of the Spanish Flu?

- a) Coma
- b) Face turning blue
- c) Liver failure
- d) Extremely high fever

DOMANDA INGLESE 19

Spanish Flu Pandemic of 1918

Modern medicine such as vaccines, antivirals, and antibiotics for secondary infections were not available at that time, so medical personnel couldn't do much more than try to relieve symptoms.

The flu ended when it had infected enough people that those who were susceptible had either died or developed immunity.

Did you understand the text?

What caused the Spanish Flu pandemic to end?

- a) They created a vaccine for it
- b) Improved medical care
- c) The end of the war caused better conditions
- d) Those who were susceptible had either died or were immune

DOMANDA INGLESE 20

Las Vegas

Last April, John took a trip to Las Vegas, Nevada. Las Vegas is a popular destination in the western portion of the United States. The town is most popular for its casinos, hotels, and exciting nightlife.

Did you understand the text?

When did John travel to Las Vegas?

- a) Yesterday
- b) Last weekend
- c) Last spring
- d) Last summer

What is an activity that a tourist cannot do on The Strip?

- a) Eat
- b) Stay overnight
- c) Shop
- d) Visit the Grand Canyon

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DOMANDA INGLESE 21

Las Vegas

In downtown Las Vegas, John spent a lot of time on The Strip, which is a 2.5 mile stretch of shopping, entertainment venues, luxury hotels, and fine dining experiences. This is probably the most commonly visited tourist area in the city. The Strip at night looks especially beautiful. All of the buildings light up with bright, neon, eye-catching signs to attract visitor attention. A stay in Las Vegas can feel similar to a visit to many popular cities worldwide. Many of the hotels have miniature versions of important international sites and monuments. These famous landmarks include the Eiffel Tower, Venice, and even ancient Rome.

Did you understand the text?

Which best describes the purpose of the Las Vegas Strip?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> a) It is a 2.5 mile stretch. | <input type="checkbox"/> b) It offers a lot of activities for tourists. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> c) There are too many neon lights. | <input type="checkbox"/> d) It keeps tourists safe. |

DOMANDA INGLESE 22

Las Vegas

One day, John took a side trip outside of the city to visit the Grand Canyon, one of the Seven Wonders of the Natural World. The canyon offers a breathtaking view of Nevada's ridges and natural landscape. John especially liked the canyon because it was removed from all of the noise and movement in downtown Las Vegas.

Did you understand the text?

Explain why John liked his visit to the Grand Canyon.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> a) The setting was very different from downtown Las Vegas. | <input type="checkbox"/> b) It is one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> c) John does not enjoy spending time in cities. | <input type="checkbox"/> d) The Grand Canyon offers a breathtaking view. |

DOMANDA INGLESE 23

Miami

Christina visited Miami during her winter vacation. She is from Boston, where it is cold during the winter months. Miami, however, has a very warm climate. There are many sunny days in Miami, and people can go to the beach all year long. Christina spent a good portion of her trip on the beach to relax and sunbathe. However, she also explored Miami and its surroundings.

Did you understand the text?

In comparison to Christina's hometown, Miami's winter weather is:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> a) Cooler | <input type="checkbox"/> b) Warmer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> c) More humid | <input type="checkbox"/> d) The Same |

DOMANDA INGLESE 24

Miami

Christina also took an excursion to the Everglades National Park. This park is a protected area spanning 1.5 million acres. Because the park is mostly swampland, it is home to many reptiles. Native animals include snakes, alligators, and crocodiles. The park is also great for birdwatching. Christina enjoyed hiking the trails in the Everglades and observing the wildlife in its natural environment.

Did you understand the text?

Which of the following animals would not be found in the Everglades?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> a) Crocodiles | <input type="checkbox"/> b) Birds |
| <input type="checkbox"/> c) Dolphins | <input type="checkbox"/> d) Snakes |

DOMANDA INGLESE 25

Miami

When Christina returned to the city, she visited Little Havana. This is Miami's Cuban neighborhood. Christina could see that Little Havana's people demonstrated a lot of pride for their Cuban heritage. There were many outdoor shops and vendors, live musicians, and the Cuban cuisine was delicious. Little Havana was Christina's favorite part about her trip to Miami. This neighborhood made Christina feel like she had traveled to Cuba without ever having to leave the United States.

Did you understand the text?

Little Havana's identity is based on what particular culture?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> a) American culture | <input type="checkbox"/> b) Dominican culture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> c) Mexican culture | <input type="checkbox"/> d) Cuban culture |

What was Christina's favorite part about her trip to Miami?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> a) Sunbathing on the beach | <input type="checkbox"/> b) Visiting the Miami Seaquarium |
| <input type="checkbox"/> c) Hiking the trails of the Everglades | <input type="checkbox"/> d) Touring Little Havana |

DOMANDA INGLESE 26

London

London is a famous and historic city. It is the capital of England in the United Kingdom. The city is quite popular for international tourism because London is home to one of the oldest-standing monarchies in the western hemisphere. Rita and Joanne recently traveled to London. They were very excited for their trip because this was their first journey overseas from the United States.

Did you understand the text?

All of the following are true about London except:

- a) It is the capital city of England.
- b) It was initially its own country.
- c) It is home to the Queen of England.
- d) It borders the Thames River to the south.

DOMANDA INGLESE 27

London

Among the popular sights that Rita and Joanne visited are Big Ben, Buckingham Palace, and the London Eye. Big Ben is one of London's most famous monuments. It is a large clock tower located at the northern end of Westminster Palace. The clock tower is 96 meters tall. Unfortunately, Rita and Joanne were only able to view the tower from the outside. The women learned that the tower's interior is undergoing renovations until 2021.

Did you understand the text?

Why couldn't Rita and Joanne climb Big Ben?

- a) To climb the tower requires complicated equipment.
- b) They did not bring enough money with them.
- c) Joanne is afraid of heights.
- d) The clock tower is closed for renovations.

DOMANDA INGLESE 28

London

Fortunately, the London Eye, the city's famous Ferris wheel, was open to the public. The London Eye is situated along the southern shores of the Thames River. This attraction stands 135 meters high. It is one of London's most well-known spots for gaining aerial views of the city. Each capsule of the Ferris wheel can hold up to 25 passengers. When their capsule stopped at the top of the Ferris wheel, the women took spectacular panoramic photographs of the beautiful cityscape below.

Did you understand the text?

From where did the women receive great overhead views of the city?

- a) Big Ben
- b) The London Eye
- c) Buckingham Palace
- d) The River Thames

DOMANDA INGLESE 29

London

The last place that Rita and Joanne visited was Buckingham Palace, the home of the Queen of England. The women were impressed by the palace's incredible architecture and historical value. Both Rita and Joanne enjoyed watching the Queen's guards outside the palace. These guards wore red tunic uniforms, shiny black boots, and bearskin hats. Despite the women's attempts to catch the attention of the guards, the guards are specifically trained to avoid distractions. Because of this, the guards ignored the women completely.

Joanne and Rita had an amazing time visiting the city of London, and they are inspired to seek more international travel destinations in the future.

Did you understand the text?

Because of their trip to London, Rita and Joanne:

- a) Want to move there permanently
- b) Were inspired to become photographers
- c) Decided to travel internationally more often
- d) Would prefer to never return

DOMANDA INGLESE 30

A great summer vacation

We took lots of breaks and sat in cafes along the river Seine. The French food we ate was delicious. The wines were tasty, too. Steve's favorite part of the vacation was the hotel breakfast. He said he would be happy if he could eat croissants like those forever. We had so much fun that we're already talking about our next vacation!

Did you understand the text?

What did Steve enjoy the most?

- a) The wine and the food
- b) The cafes along the river Seine
- c) The Latin Quarter and the balcony
- d) The hotel breakfast and the croissants