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    Mum  Yes, I think so.
    Liam  Got it!
    Mum  Great. Thanks for your help.

1  A  Where's Jack? Is he playing basketball?
    B  No, he's rollerblading with his friend.
    A  Oh, I'm going swimming now but I'll call him later.

2  A  Hi Toby. Are you coming tonight?
    B  Yes, I'm looking forward to it. Would you like me to help with anything?
    A  Well, I'm going to go shopping later so you could come with me.
    B  I can't make it this afternoon. I'm going to play football. I'll help make the sandwiches. I'm good at that.
    A  It's OK. Helen's doing that. I know, you can help clear up.
    B  Great, I'll do that then. See you later.

3  A  What was Ian doing when the accident happened? Was he swimming as well?
    B  No, he wasn't. I think he was running on the beach.
    A  Where were you?
    B  Oh, I was throwing the ball to the dog.
    A  Who saw that the boy was in trouble then?
    B  An older man who was eating sandwiches.

4  A  Wow, it's getting pretty wet out here. Do you think we should go inside?
    B  No, I want to see it again. The storm's coming closer.
    A  When it strikes it makes the sea look all white. Well, that's great but I really think we should watch from the window.
    B  OK, let's go.

5  A  Wow, you can see so much from up here. Is that the fountain over there?
    B  Yes, it is because it's right in the middle of the square.
    A  And where's the tower? That's nearby.
    B  Yes, it is but it's a bit cloudy today. We'll have to come again when the weather's better.
    A  I didn't know the park was so big. It looks enormous.
    B  Yeah, you're right.

6  A  What are you doing after school on Friday?
    B  I'm running with the school club. It was planned for Saturday but that's no good for me.
    A  Why, what are you doing?
    B  Well, I'm playing basketball with a friend. Their team needs another player.
    A  Oh, that sounds fun.
    B  Yeah, I hope we win. I'm mountain biking next week if you want to come.
    A  Yeah, I'd love to.
Task 2

0 OK, Sally, come out of the station into Station Road and turn left. Carry on down Station Road until you get to the traffic lights and go straight on. The park is on your right.

1 A Hey, guys, why don’t we go to the cinema on Saturday for Anton’s birthday?
   B Yeah, that’s a great idea. Let’s go and see the new sci-fi film!
   C Actually, I don’t think Anton likes sci-fi. Why don’t we let him choose the film?
   B OK. That sounds good.
   C So, where shall we meet?
   B How about the train station?

2 When I’m older I’ll go to university. After that I’ll go and live in the city. I won’t live in the country because it’s boring. I’ll have my own flat and my own car. I won’t work in an office though; I’ll work in a hospital as I want to be a doctor!

3 Paul So, Philip doesn’t want to talk to anyone.
   Jane Hang on a minute. What do you mean?
   Paul His sister found out that we broke her laptop.
   Jane You’re kidding! But it was everyone’s fault.
   Paul I know. He shouldn’t take the blame for it.
   Jane I agree. We’re all in this together.

4 Hi Tony. It’s me, Jenny. I’m phoning because Mike and I are going to see that new film at the cinema. Kim saw it last week and she says it’s brilliant. Well, do you want to come? We’ll leave about 6 o’clock because it starts at 7.30 and we want to get a pizza first. Mike and I can come round to your house and we can get the bus together. Anyway – phone me back when you get this.

5 A OK, so there’s a lot to do for the party. We’re going to be very busy.
   B Well, I’ll make some sandwiches.
   A OK, great. What about you, Tim?
   C I’ll buy some food and drinks with Emma.
   A Right, OK. I’ll decorate the room.
   D I’ll arrange the chairs and I’ll bring some of my CDs from home.
   A That’s great, and we’ll all help clear up afterwards.

6 Lizette Hello, I’m Lizette. I’m here to see Mrs Kane.
   Martin She won’t be long. She’s just on the phone.
   Lizette I’m here about the part-time job.
   Martin Oh, you want to work in the bookshop?
   Lizette Yes. It’s what I’ve always wanted to do!
   Martin Start at the beginning. Tell Mrs Kane all about it.

7 A Hi Karen. What’s the matter?
   B I know the results of our test.
   A Oh dear. I know I didn’t do very well.
   B You won’t believe what’s happened.
   A I don’t want to know.
   B Well, I passed … and you passed, too!

8 On Saturday morning, I’m mountain biking with my brother. Then in the afternoon I’ve got a swimming lesson. I like swimming. It’s my favourite sport. In the evening, I’m cooking dinner for my family. I like cooking, but I don’t like doing the washing up! On Sunday, I’m canoeing on the river with my friend, but I have to be back at lunchtime. I’ve got a piano lesson then.
Test B

Task 1

0 Light goes into our eyes through the pupil. The lens is used to focus the light onto the retina. This is at the back of the eye and its job is to change the light into electrical signals. The brain receives these signals via the optic nerve. And that is how we see.

1 I’m Jeremy Spires reporting for our school magazine from the sports stadium in town. There’s a lot of excitement here because we’re expecting Miguel Maxwell, the famous footballer, any minute now. Wait, I can hear someone making an announcement and I can see something happening near the gates. Yes ... I can see his sports car arriving and I can hear the crowd cheering! The atmosphere is incredible.

2 So, some dos and don’ts for safety on the Net. Firstly, in chat rooms and on social networks, never use your real name – use a nickname instead. Never give your real address or any other information about yourself. Oh, and make sure you log off when you leave your computer.

3 Christopher Purdy, age 13, won an important prize in 2012. The teenager designed a computer game called ‘Smiley Dodgems’, which came first in the BAFTA Young Game Designers competition. This competition is an excellent opportunity for young people who are thinking about a career in the computer gaming industry. It can also lead to work creating special effects, called CGI (Computer Generated Imagery), which is used in films and television programmes.

4 Do you do a lot of sport? Do you need lots of energy? Then Vitabix drink is definitely for you! You should have a Vitabix every time you go to the gym or play a game of tennis or football. It will stop you feeling tired and give your body the vitamins it needs. No more feeling tired! Go out now and buy a Vitabix, that’s VITABIX – it will make you feel fantastic!

5 The first human beings appeared in Africa 150,000 years ago. After that, they went to Europe, but it was much colder there. At the same time, some went east into Asia. The first people reached Australia 45,000 years ago. A land bridge between Siberia and Alaska meant people could walk to North America. People reached South America about 11,000 years ago.

6 People used cotton more than 5,000 years ago. Some scientists believe it is 7,000 years old, and the oldest examples come from Mexico and Pakistan. Cotton is a natural fibre. It comes from a plant. Until the 20th century, people picked it by hand, but now it is picked by machines. Cotton came to Europe around 800 AD and was popular all over the world by 1500. We use cotton to make clothes and shoes, and many other things.

7 Droughts are caused by different things, like changes in weather patterns. But, more recently, human activity has been responsible for droughts, too. Deforestation is believed to be one of these activities, because the soil’s ability to hold water is reduced by cutting down too many trees. Both the development of cities and large-scale farming are also recognized as causes. A lot of water used in one area causes water shortages, which lead to drought.

8 We need a number of vitamins and minerals in order to be healthy. One of the most important is calcium. We have more calcium in our bodies than any other mineral. Most of it is found in our bones and teeth, and a small amount – about 1% – is in our blood. It does different jobs, for example, it helps the blood move through the body, and it is necessary for growth. We need it to build strong bones and teeth, which is particularly important for children and teenagers. Without enough calcium, our bones would break very easily.

Task 2

Good morning everyone. I’m here to talk to you about the different time zones in the world. Time zones started when the first railways started. People needed a standard time because they could move from place to place more quickly than in the past. The time zones start from Greenwich in London. For example, if it’s eight o’clock in the morning there, it is five o’clock in
the morning in Rio de Janeiro in Brazil. Vancouver, in Canada, is even further behind. It’s only
one o’clock in the morning there. So, if you have friends in Canada, don’t call them at that time!
In countries east of London the day starts earlier, so if it’s eight in the morning in London, in
Tokyo, Japan, it’s five pm. But in Auckland, in New Zealand they are 13 hours ahead, so it will be
9 pm in the evening there. On the other side of the world from London there’s the International
Date Line, so when you cross this, you change days, not just times!

Task 3
Teacher Welcome to this first meeting of the photography club – well, that is the first
meeting this year. We’ve had a photography club at this school for five years now! It’s good to
see so many of you. I’m glad you got the information about the room change. Room 6 isn’t big
enough for us all! I know five or six people from last year but I think everyone else is new. I
hope I’ll meet all of you before the end of tonight’s meeting.
First, I want to say that it’s good to have some experience but it isn’t necessary. I’m sure some
people here have never taken a photo before. It doesn’t matter. There are people here to help
you.
We have Miss Dean – some of you have lessons with her – she’s our favourite science teacher!
She’s very good with a camera and has won lots of competitions. We’ve also got Jack Parker
with us. You know him from sports lessons! Jack is a real expert. He took the lovely photo that
we’ve got on our poster for the club – the one of the church in winter. He and Miss Dean are
here to give advice on the best cameras, the best positions, and so on. They’ll talk to you later
this evening.
Now, remember we meet every week at this time – and this will be our room for the term.
Room 14. We organize trips to different photo exhibitions during the year – they’re at the
weekend and we have our end of year competition in June. So, that’s enough from me. Now
Miss Dean will tell you...

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1  A  Hi Jane. I’m glad you’ve come to help. There’s so much to do.
B  That’s OK. Shall I put the crisp packets into this plastic bag?
A  Yes, please. And let’s take some plastic bottles to carry water to clean things.
B  Good idea. Oh, and I’ve just bought some plastic cups from the shop, so we can recycle
them.
A  Good, well, Sarah and Jo will be here soon and then we can go. I want to be there before it
gets dark so we can put the tent up.

2  A  John, look at Paul. I’m sure he shouldn’t be doing that.
B Oh, yeah, I think there's a sign about it. He's quite high up. He might fall.
A Can you tell that guy to turn his music down a bit as well? It's so loud.
B OK, well I think we should go anyway. Paul's got football practice at 5.
A Oh yes, you're right. I'll get our things together.

3 A Why aren't you coming tonight? I thought you didn't have a sore throat anymore.
B I don't and I really want to, but I spent so much last weekend.
A OK, I'll pay for you.
B No, really it's fine. I have to get up early tomorrow anyway.
A OK, well I'll say 'Hi' to everyone from you.
B Yeah, thanks.

4 I've got these great new trousers. My aunt gave them to me for my birthday. They're a lovely, bright colour, but not too bright. They're flared, which I love. Mum thinks they're too wide, but I think they aren't wide enough! They're a bit too long for me, but I don't mind.

5 A Did you go to the cinema last night?
B Yes, I did. I went with Emma and Jane.
A What did you see?
B We saw a really scary film.
A Were they scared?
B Yes, they were, but I wasn't.

6 I've got a really sore stomach right now. Oh, I feel awful! I have a temperature, too. I was fine this morning, but I ate some fish for lunch and I think it was bad. I'm in terrible pain.

Task 2
So, what were you doing at 9.00 last night? Were you doing your homework, cooking a meal or maybe listening to some music? Well, I was watching the new TV detective series on Channel 5 called *The Murder Club*. The beginning was quite slow. A man was walking his dog through the park and some children were cycling round the lake. There was also a young girl jogging along the path. The sun was shining, everyone was happy. Quite honestly, it was a bit boring! I thought – in ten seconds I'll switch this off and watch the concert on Channel 10. But I didn't – and I'm very happy I didn't.

Suddenly – wow! The kids on their bikes found a body in the lake, the man's dog found another body in the bushes and the girl found another body under her car! Very exciting!
Of course, the police weren't very clever and they arrested the wrong man and at the end it was the man with the dog who found the murderer. But a brilliant story and some excellent actors. Every Tuesday 8.30. Don't miss the next one.

Task 3
Hello. This morning I'm here to talk to you about dogs. Now, I know many of you have dogs as pets, they are part of your family and you take them for walks, but most of the time they sleep and eat! Sometimes you get special training for them if they're naughty. Well, my organisation trains dogs for very different reasons. The dogs that come to us are trained to help people with problems. Our dogs are working dogs and they help people who are blind, that is, they cannot see, deaf – people who cannot hear, or people who are in wheelchairs. Organisations like mine have trained dogs for blind people – we call them guide dogs – for many years. It started a long time ago to help men who came back from wars – soldiers who were blind. We learned that we could train dogs to help these people. Today thousands of dogs are trained to do this job and they do it very well. They lead their owners through busy streets and across roads. They make sure that their owners are safe. They're quite amazing! We also train 'hearing' dogs. These are dogs that live with people who cannot hear. The dogs tell them when the phone rings or when someone knocks on the door. In the street they tell them when they hear an alarm, or someone shouting. And finally there are the assistance dogs. Many people in wheelchairs need help...
around the house. Assistance dogs pick up things from the floor. They can take things out of the washing machine. They can even switch on lights! They go to the supermarket and put things in the shopping baskets. They’re wonderful! But all these dogs need special training. And that’s why I’m here today. If you like dogs, then you’ll love working as a trainer. We need lots of volunteers to help us look after and train these special dogs. It’s a great job and if you volunteer, then we’ll give you the training you need to work with the dogs. Who knows – you might like to have a future career with our organisation. You can read all about us on the website. Please sign the list if you’re interested in helping us to help others.