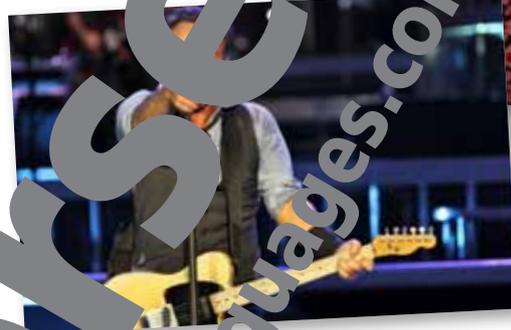


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Day One



1 Do the music quiz. Complete the questions with the past form of the verbs below. Then tick the correct answers.

release	meet	sing
write	break up	be
perform with		sell

- Who wrote the song *I Will Always Love You*?
 Whitney Houston Celine Dion
 Dolly Parton
- Who a band called the E Street Band?
 Bruce Springsteen Bryan Adams
 Justin Timberlake
- Which album the most copies in the UK in 2005?
 Robbie Williams' *Swings Broken*
 One Direction's *Midnight Memories*
 Gary Barlow's *Since I Started For Myself*
- Which band in 2001?
 Take That The Rolling Stones
 The Spice Girls
- Who the theme tune to the James Bond film *Skyfall*?
 Madonna Adele Rihanna

- What the Spice Girls' first hit single?
 Wannabe Say You'll Be There
 I Wanna Be Like a Boy
 Become 1
- Who an album called *19* at the age of 19?
 Adele Lady Gaga Shakira
- Which band on a TV show?
 The Spice Girls Westlife
 One Direction

2 Unscramble the words below.

- | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| 1 gageer <u>release</u> | 5 nidie |
| 2 besul | 6 lofk |
| 3 ckor | 7 ssacalci |
| 4 nochte | 8 zzaj |

Now write your own music quiz. Then test a friend or someone from your family.

3 Complete the text with the correct form of the words in brackets (past simple or past continuous).

Jake is a singer. While he ¹..... (audition) for a talent show, he ²..... (meet) David and Matt. Jake ³..... (leave) after his audition when David ⁴..... (stop) him. Jake and David ⁵..... (talk) about the audition when Matt ⁶..... (join) them. While they ⁷..... (chat), they ⁸..... (decide) to form a band. David, Matt and Jake ⁹..... (win) the talent show, but they ¹⁰..... (form) a band together and have lots of fans.

4 There are often coincidences in films. Read the summary of the plot of the film *Hugo* (2011) and fill in the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

WHAT A COINCIDENCE!

In 1931, Hugo, a 12-year-old boy, ¹..... (live) with his father in Paris. Hugo's father ²..... (work) at a museum. He ³..... (fix) old machines and Hugo ⁴..... (liked) helping him. His father also ⁵..... (love) films and they often ⁶..... (go) to the cinema together. One day, his father ⁷..... (bring) a broken automaton* home from the museum. He ⁸..... (want) to fix it and Hugo ⁹..... (help) him. Soon after that, there was a fire at the museum and Hugo's father ¹⁰..... (die) in the fire. Hugo went to live with his uncle who ¹¹..... (teach) him how to look after the clocks at the train station. He ¹²..... (take) the automaton with him. Hugo ¹³..... (started) to fix parts for the automaton from the shop of the toy maker at

the train station. One day, the toy maker, Georges, ¹⁴..... (catch) Hugo. As a punishment for stealing, Hugo ¹⁵..... (had) to do (much) work in Georges' shop. He ¹⁶..... (met) the toy maker's goddaughter*, Isabelle, and they ¹⁷..... (became) good friends. Hugo finally ¹⁸..... (finished) the automaton, but there was still one part missing. The missing part was a heart-shaped key. One day, Hugo ¹⁹..... (noticed) that Isabelle ²⁰..... (was wearing) a heart-shaped key as a necklace. The key ²¹..... (started) the automaton. It ²²..... (drew) a picture from the first film Hugo ²³..... (saw) with his father. Then it ²⁴..... (wrote) a signature below the picture. It was Georges' signature. At the end of the film, they learned that Georges was a famous film director and his wife was a famous actress. From then on, Hugo ²⁵..... (lived) with them.



Glossary: *automaton – Roboter; *goddaughter – Patentochter

5 Now write the missing halves to complete the coincidences in the film *Hugo*.

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1 Hugo's father worked in the museum | a from the first film Hugo saw with his father. |
| 2 Hugo's father was fixing the automaton at home, | b so it didn't burn in the museum fire. |
| 3 The automaton drew a picture | c and she had the heart-shaped key. |
| 4 Hugo became friends with Isabelle | d where Georges' automaton was. |
| 5 Hugo went to work at the train station, | e where Georges had a toy shop. |



URBAN LEGEND

Info box

Alligators living in the canalisation of New York, Paul McCartney from the Beatles dead and replaced by a look-alike; these are the kind of things you hear about in an urban legend. These stories are often funny, but sometimes scary and they're always difficult to believe.



The biscuits

A man was at an airport on his way home from a business trip. He had an hour to wait for his flight and he was feeling a little bit hungry. He saw that there was a 'Mum Cooks Best' cookie stall in the waiting area so he went to the stall and bought a bag of five big white chocolate cookies – his favourite. He walked over to some green chairs and put them down while he took off his coat. He then sat down to read his newspaper. He reached into the bag, took out a cookie and started eating it.

A couple of minutes later he saw the woman sitting next to him put her hand into the bag, take out one of his cookies and start eating it. He was a little shocked and didn't really know what to do. He decided not to say anything. Instead he put his hand into the bag and took out another biscuit. He made as much noise as he could so that the woman would know that the biscuits were his. He also looked at her angrily. The woman gave him a strange look and carried on reading her book.



A few minutes later, the woman reached into the bag and took out another biscuit. The man was furious. He stood up, took the bag, took out the last biscuit, put it into his mouth, walked angrily over to the bin and threw the empty bag into it. He returned to his seat where the woman was quickly putting on her coat to hurry away. He sat back down and continued reading his paper. Twenty minutes later, his flight was called for boarding. He got up and reached down to pick up his coat. To his horror, underneath his coat he saw his bag of chocolate chip cookies with five white chocolate chip cookies inside.



JOKE OF THE DAY

1 Look at the pictures. In which picture can you see:

- a flight attendant asking people to be quiet?
- a man and a parrot laughing and having a good time?
- a pilot who's angry?
- a man and a parrot falling through the air?

2 Who do you think says these things? Write P (pilot) or flight attendant) or M (man) in the box.

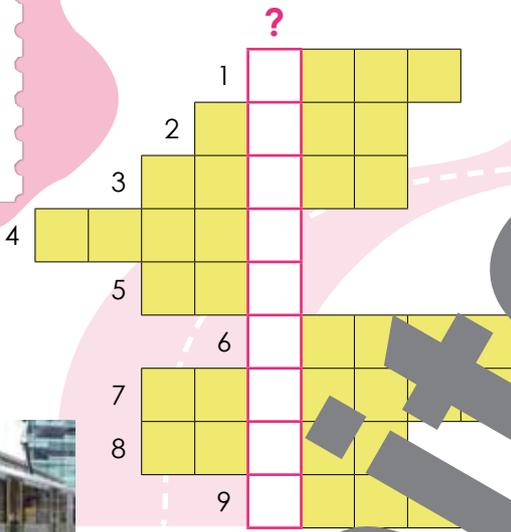
- a) "Go away! We can't have fun!"
- b) "The passengers want to sleep."
- c) "Off in a minute!"

02 3 Listen to the jokes.

4 Give the joke a score from 0-5 (0 = not funny at all, 5 = really very funny).



Day Two



1 Do the crossword puzzle. What is the mystery word?



2 What are they talking about? Circle the correct word.

- 1 I'd like to make a reservation for a sleeping apartment. train / tram
- 2 We've missed our flight. could we take a plane
- 3 Which platform does it leave for? Is it a train or a ferry
- 4 The check-in is two hours before departure. plane / tube
- 5 You need to get off at the next stop. taxi / bus

3 You and your friend want to go on a day trip. Choose a destination and complete the dialogue.

You How much is a ticket to?

Assistant Return or single?

You

Assistant Let me see.

You And when is the next train?

Assistant The train leaves at

You That's perfect. I'd like tickets to , please.

Assistant That's , then .

You Here you are.

Assistant Thank you. Here are your tickets and change. Have a nice journey.

You Thanks.

4 Complete the information about the world's most dangerous animals with the correct form of the words in brackets (comparative, superlative or as ... as).

- **The biggest** (big) bee lives in Indonesia. It is 39 mm long and its head is 13 mm wide. It's called Wallace's giant bee.
- The blue ring octopus is (small) – they are almost the exact same size. It looks very pretty but it's very poisonous. It carries enough poison to kill 26 people.
- (poisonous) fish in the world is the stone fish. It's deadly, and also very ugly.
- The banana spider is (poisonous) all other spiders. It lives in Brazil. It hides in houses, clothes, shoes and cars.
- The saltwater crocodile is (long) crocodile. It can grow up to 5.45 metres in length.
- The inland taipan snake is the world's (dangerous) snake. One bite has enough poison to kill 100 people.

5 Circle the correct word.

- I couldn't stop laughing. It was the *funniest* / *scariest* ever.
- I couldn't watch the whole film. It was too *amazing* / *frightening*
- I fell asleep after half an hour. It was the most *boring* / *scary* film ever.
- I usually don't like horror films but some of the scenes in that film were *horrible* / *amazing*
- It was the best thriller ever. The car chase was *awesome* / *boring*
- I didn't like the film at all. It was *horrible* / *comic*

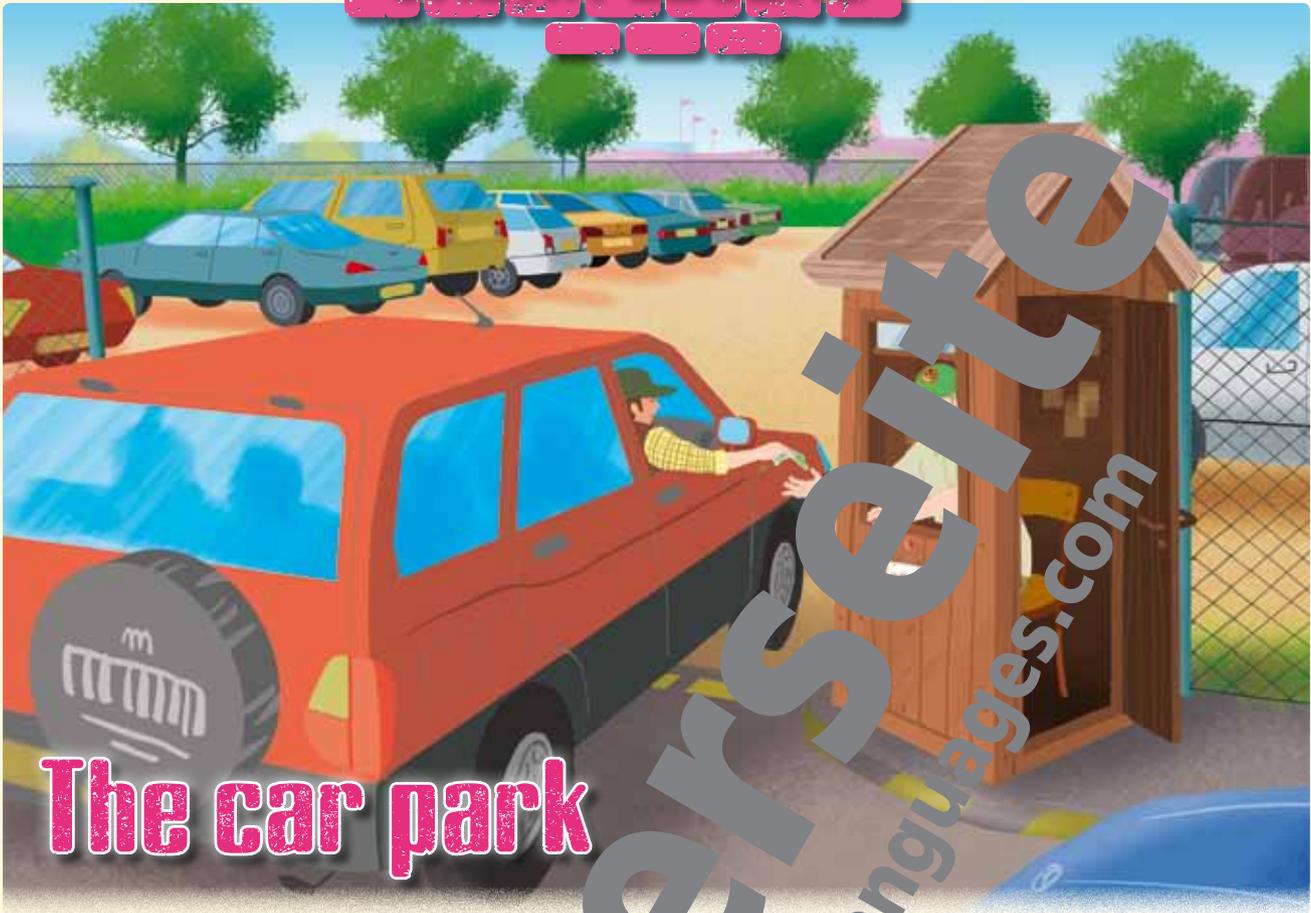
Glossary: *car chase – Verfolgungsjagd mit dem Auto

6 Listen to the dialogue and tick the correct picture. Then answer the questions.



- Why did Emily and her family travel to Lake Windermere?
.....
- How long did it take them to walk to the campsite?
.....
- When did it first start raining?
.....
- When did it stop raining?
.....
- What did they do in the afternoon?
.....
- When did it start raining again?
.....
- Did they walk to the hotel?
.....
- Did Emily enjoy the camping trip?
.....

URBAN LEGEND



The car park

There was a famous zoo in Bristol in the UK. A few hundred metres away from the zoo entrance there was a small car park with spaces for about 150 cars and eight coaches and buses. It was quite an old-fashioned car park. It didn't have automatic ticket machines and it didn't have security cameras. It just had a man who sat in a small wooden hut at the entrance and gave you a ticket when you arrived. The ticket was also very cheap: just £4 a day for a car and £10 for a coach. The man was very friendly and always had lots to say to the zoo's visitors. When the car park was full, he counted the money, locked up his hut and went home.

The man was there six days a week (the zoo was closed two weeks a year (the zoo was closed two weeks around Christmas). He never missed a day's work. Then, one day, after 25 years of working there he just didn't turn up to work. He wasn't there the next day, or the day after. The zoo manager realised that she didn't have the man's phone number so she phoned the town council to see if they could contact him or send someone else.

"Where's the zoo car park?" the man from the council asked. "The car park isn't our responsibility*. It's the zoo's responsibility."

"Um, no," replied the zoo manager. "The town council employs* the car park attendant*."

"The man doesn't," the man from the council repeated. "He is the zoo's employee*."





Somewhere sitting beside the swimming pool of his Spanish villa is a very rich man. For 25 years, he worked collecting the money in a car park outside Bristol Zoo. Nobody ever asked for the money so he just kept it. He collected about £800 every day, £800 a day, six days a week, 50 weeks a year for 25 years. That's about £6 million. That's enough to buy a very nice house on the southern coast of Spain. And nobody even knows this man's name.

JOKE OF THE DAY

1 Look at the pictures. In which picture can you see:

- a chicken with a book under its wing?
- a woman working in a library?
- a frog?
- lily pads in the middle of a pond?

2 What noises do the following animals usually make?

- a) frogs
- b) pigs
- c) chickens
- d) cows

 3 Listen to the joke.

4 Give the joke a score from 0-5 (0 = not funny at all, 5 = really very funny).

