

















The Big Challenge 2025

Schulstufe 8







1		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes, I do. • By train. • From near Manchester. • To London.
2		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes, you're much better. • A bit, yes. • I know. • Yes, it's worse.
3		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ice-cream. • The beach ball. • The suitcase. • The pair of sunglasses.
4		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday. • Friday. • Thursday. • Saturday.
5		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
6		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
7		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 26 • 52 • 70 • 96





8		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £4.50 • £2.20 • £4.20 • £2
9		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10.15 • 9.55 • 9.45 • 10.05
10		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
11		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
12		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A dot. • A comma. • A slash. • A tag.
13		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jaime Toyle • Graime Doile • Jarome Doyle • Graeme Doyle
14		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You're welcome. • It's all the same to me. • You don't mind. • It doesn't matter.
15		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sure, I'll be right back. • One bottle of water, coming up! • No worries, enjoy! • It doesn't have meat in it.






16		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
17		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He's going to remove a poster from his bedroom wall. • He's going to take off his jacket because he's too hot. • He's going to turn off the television. • He's going to change the date of a meeting.
18		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
19		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help yourself. • Make yourself at home. • Take care! • Beware of the dog!
20		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A • B • C • D
21		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John wants to be alone at the moment. • John wants Katya to agree to go out with him. • Katya is playing a video game and John wants to try it. • John doesn't want to be Katya's boyfriend any more.







22		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He took his driving test. • He got the results of a maths test. • He ran in a race. • He had a complete medical examination.
23		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A supermarket cashier. • A customer in an electrical shop. • A passport controller. • A guest about to eat a yoghurt at a friend's house.
24		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A flat-screen television. • A sofa that converts into a bed. • A folding dining table. • An inflatable swimming pool.
25		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I can put you up now. • You've got a connection. • He'll hang up on you. • I'll put you through.
26		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A virus. • A carnival. • A tornado. • A protest march.

27		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The boy steals apples from a neighbour's apple tree. The girl thinks the neighbour will find out. • A farmer is probably going to put up a sign to stop people walking across his fields. • The boy's dog is missing. The girl thinks he'll come home eventually. • A famous actor is hiding from the press. But he'll have to tell people where he is very soon.
28		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You were taken for a ride. • You should have trusted him. • You didn't put your cards on the table. • You had a lucky escape.
29		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • earring • hiring • herring • hearing
30		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • market • plastic • basin • picnic
31		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No one of the • guessed who the • the students' guest • the lecture was referring
32		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Union Party. • The Democratic Party. • The Labour Party. • The Republican Party.

33		[AUDIO]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The states that make up the USA. • The first American colonies. • The generals who won independence. • The Pilgrim Fathers.
34	Anyone can do it. You ... be particularly athletic, but it helps!		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • can't • don't have to • mustn't • could even
35	<p>"... you ... the invitations?"</p> <p>"Yes, I did them yesterday."</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did ... write already • Did ... just sent • Have ... already written • Have ... ever seen
36	I want to make my boyfriend's birthday a special day, but I have no idea what ... to do.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • he'd like • will he like • does he enjoy • is he going to want
37	Some priceless paintings ... in the fire at the museum on Sunday.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have been burned • have burned • were destroyed • were destroying
38	There ... so much pollution if ... so many cars on the roads.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • can't be ... there won't be • don't have ... we don't put • wouldn't be ... there weren't • wouldn't be ... we don't have
39	Ever since Carrie broke up with James, she ... the boy next door.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • was seeing • is seeing • has been seeing • has seen

40	What do we know about Emma?		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • She doesn't live in England. • She used to work with Louise. • She isn't married. • She has never had a job.
41	Louise wrote, "perhaps I should say Amelia" because ...		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • she doesn't know who she's writing to • Emma changed her name to Amelia • Emma used to be called Amelia • Emma and Amelia have the same email address
42	Find the sentence that isn't true.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emma is a movie actor who lives in the USA. • Emma married a very wealthy young man. • Louise and Emma were good friends when they were young. • Louise has a cousin who works in California.
43	Based on what Louise writes, find the sentence that is definitely true.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Louise has no idea what Emma has been doing for the past five years. • Louise isn't writing to congratulate Emma on her marriage to a millionaire. • Emma didn't marry Louise's brother because she didn't want to live in England. • Louise has been expecting an email from Emma for several years.

44	The AIClip is		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a new and expensive smartphone • something that protects your smartphone • something you can use instead of a smartphone • something that gives your smartphone more power
45	This article tells us that it can be difficult for people to		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • buy a phone • depend on their phones • live without their phones • use social media
46	The writer thinks that the problem with smartphones is that		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • you can't do enough with them • you have to hold them in your hand • they don't use artificial intelligence • they are far too expensive
47	According to the article, which sentence about the AIClip ISN'T true?		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You can speak to it, and it can speak to you. • It can do just as much as any smartphone. • Its camera can identify and analyse objects. • It doesn't display information on a screen.
48	It is clear that the writer of this article		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • works for the company that makes the AIClip • thinks the AIClip is a wonderful invention, even if it's expensive • is sure that a lot of people will replace their phones by AIClips • has been using the AIClip to translate documents

49	Silicon Valley in California is famous for		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • earthquakes • the production of oranges • technological progress • the number of movie stars who live there
50	At Christmas time, people say "Happy Christmas!" or "... Christmas!" to each other.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jolly • Gloomy • Merry • Lively
51	Which political leader was assassinated in a theatre in Washington D.C.?		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Martin Luther King. • John F. Kennedy. • Abraham Lincoln. • George Washington.
52	Peter's father ... him ... to Mrs Brown for his bad behaviour.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • made ... to say sorry • had ... to apologise • got ... apologise • made ... apologise
53	"Where are they? They ... here hours ago. Do you think they've had an accident?"		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • are supposed to be • will have arrived • should have been • have been coming
54	"The more expensive rooms like this one have a sea view," said the hotel manager, "but the cheaper ones ... the car park."		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • overlook • overcome • oversee • overview
55	Jane's nervous. It's her first day at her new school tomorrow. Her father says, "You'll soon ... ," meaning "You'll get used to it very quickly."		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • make ends meet • find your feet • sit up straight • plant your tree