The Big Challenge 2023

Level 4

Answer key / Correction

1



♪ AUDIO

- For ten years.
- Yes, I am.
- **Nearly thirty.** ✓
- Pretty good, thanks.

2



♪ AUDIO

- **No, from Scotland.** ✓
- Not very often.
- Yes, by train this morning.
- Yes, I am.

3



♪ AUDIO

- **Some notebooks.** ✓
- Some pencils.
- A pair of scissors.
- A calculator.

4



♪ AUDIO

- **Last Sunday.** ✓
- Three days ago.
- On Thursday.
- Last Saturday.

5



♪ AUDIO

- 1922
- **1930** ✓
- 1941
- 1952

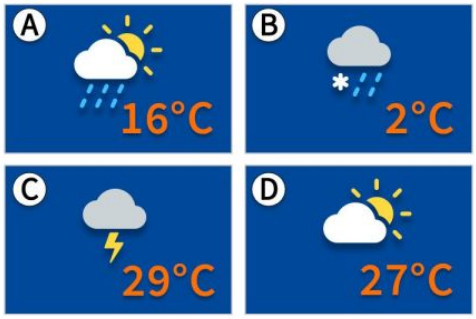
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- **Image A** ✓
- Image C
- Image B
- Image D

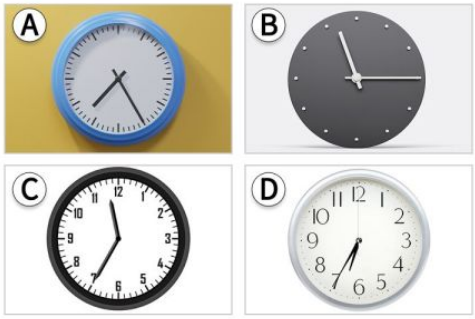
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♪ AUDIO

- Image A
- **Image C** ✓
- Image B
- Image D

8



♪ AUDIO

- Image A
- **Image C** ✓
- Image B
- Image D

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♪ AUDIO

- **£10** ✓
- £8.60
- £9.50
- £8

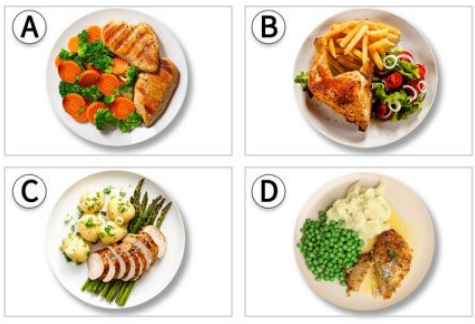
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♪ AUDIO

- The school.
- **The supermarket.** ✓
- The museum.
- The bus station.

11



♪ AUDIO

- Image A
- Image C
- Image B
- **Image D** ✓

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♪ AUDIO

- **Jerry Gohain** ✓
- Gerry Johian
- Gerry Joagin
- Jerry Goajin

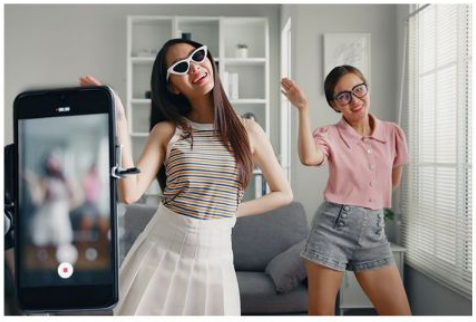
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♪ AUDIO

- **hru** ✓
- uok
- hay
- cya

14



♪ AUDIO

- She's wearing a white skirt.
- There's a phone filming them.
- **They're behind their backs.** ✓
- Sunglasses.

15



♪ AUDIO

- It's absolutely delicious
- **It tastes strange.** ✓
- It looks unusual and makes me smile.
- It was obviously prepared with love.

16



♪ AUDIO

- Image A
- Image C
- Image B
- **Image D** ✓

17



♪ AUDIO

Image A

Image C

Image B

Image D ✓

18



♪ AUDIO

Image A

Image C ✓

Image B

Image D

19



♪ AUDIO

She couldn't stop herself laughing. ✓

She stopped laughing.

She didn't think it was funny.

She was angry because people laughed.

20



♪ AUDIO

Image A ✓

Image C

Image B

Image D

21



♪ AUDIO

Kelly used to like this series, but not any more.

Philip Mason's reputation has risen because of social media. ✓

Kelly was a fan of Philip Mason at one point.

A lot of people believe that Philip Mason is a bully.

22

♪ AUDIO

Listen to the conversation. What's the man doing?

He's cooking something. ✓

He's getting ready to go out.

He's repairing a radiator.

He's making coffee.

23

♪ AUDIO

Listen to the conversation. What's the woman looking for?

A good book to read.

A birthday cake.

A new coat. ✓

A new shower curtain.

24

♪ AUDIO

Listen to the phone conversation between Katy and her father, Bob. What's going to happen?

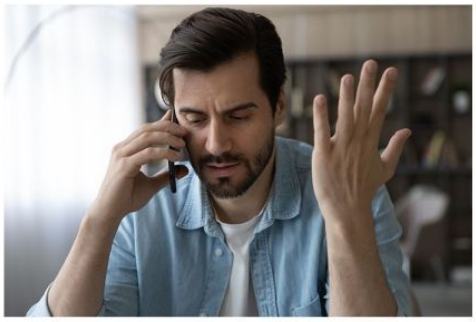
Bob's going to pick Katy up at Anna's house. ✓

Katy's going to get the next bus home.

Katy's going to get a lift from Anna's parents.

Bob's going to wait for Katy to come home.

25



♪ AUDIO

Because of money problems, he's going to sell everything he has

He's going to be patient and wait for something to happen.

He's going to stop working and retire.

He's about to end the phone conversation. ✓

26 ♪ AUDIO

Listen to the conversation. What is the man looking for?

- **A fire alarm.** ✓
- An exit door in a club.
- An exhibit in a museum.
- A recycling bin for glass.

27 ♪ AUDIO

Listen to the conversation between this husband and wife. What happened to the woman on the train?

- She began screaming for help.
- She managed to escape.
- **She lost consciousness.** ✓
- She gave people water.

28 ♪ AUDIO

Listen to the conversation. What could the girl say to the boy now?

- You're building castles in the air.
- **It's not rocket science.** ✓
- There's an elephant in the room.
- It's not the end of the world.

29 ♪ AUDIO

Listen. Which word can you hear?

- sound
- sight
- sand
- **signed** ✓

30 ♪ AUDIO

Listen and find the word with the same two vowel sounds as the word you hear.

- childish
- **cyber** ✓
- liver
- cigar

31 ♪ AUDIO

Listen. Which group of words can you hear?

- considerably interesting to
- **two particular models** ✓
- the customer has showed
- interest into particular

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Listen and answer



♪ AUDIO

- **Raisins and sultanas.** ✓
- Pork and beef.
- Ice cream and vanilla.
- Bananas and pineapple.

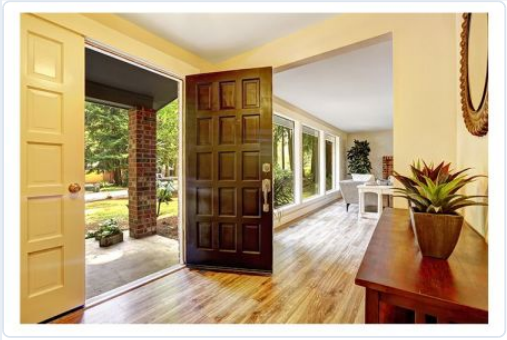
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♪ AUDIO

- **Hawaii.** ✓
- Florida.
- California.
- Montana.

34



Who …… the door open? Was it you, Maggie?

- did
- **left** ✓
- was
- makes

35



Maria is Spanish and …… been abroad before. She has spent all her life in Spain.

- has yet
- **has never** ✓
- already had
- ever was

36



Ray spends all his spare time ..... an old Mercedes that he bought last year.

- **working on** ✓
- for repairing
- to repaint
- by restoring

37



This shopkeeper is worried because there are very few customers in his shop. I'm sure he'd get more customers if his prices ..... .

- have been low enough
- **weren't so high** ✓
- would be lower
- can come down

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When the police searched the house, the gun ..... hidden in a drawer.

- **was found** ✓
- has been discovered
- had then
- was put

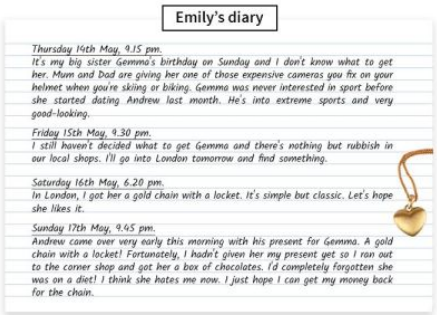
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I need to use the printer but it ..... out your report for the last five minutes. How many pages are left?

- was printing
- printed
- **has been printing** ✓
- has printed

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Emily's diary

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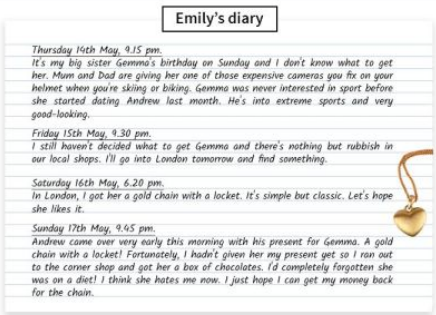
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What do we know about Emily and Gemma?

- Emily is older than Gemma.
- Emily's boyfriend is called Andrew.
- **Gemma was born on 17th May.** ✓
- They are never annoyed with each other.

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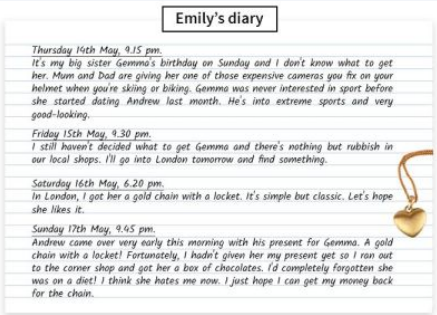
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From Emily's diary entry on Thursday, we find out that ..... .

- her parents are giving Gemma a cheap birthday present
- **Gemma is interested in sport mainly because her boyfriend is** ✓
- Gemma has always done a lot of sport
- Andrew has been seeing Gemma since last year

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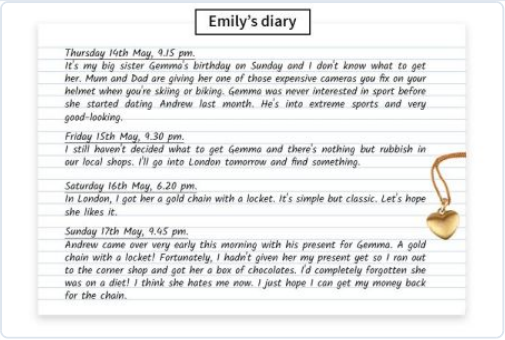
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What do we know about the first present that Emily bought for Gemma?

- It was expensive even though it came from a local shop.
- **Emily wasn't totally convinced that Gemma would like it.** ✓
- It was made of gold and of a very original design.
- She bought it in London because the local shops were too expensive.

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Based on what Emily writes, find the sentence that ISN'T true.

- Not all of the presents Gemma got for her birthday were really appreciated.
- Emily forgot that her sister was trying to lose weight.
- Emily is going to pay another visit to the shop where she bought the chain.
- **Gemma now has some chocolates she can't eat and a chain she doesn't want.** ✓

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Brian Watson at the cave

Brian, not a typical hero!

This article is from a publication whose purpose is to cover news about ..... .

- **Linston** ✓
- Cornwall
- caves
- superheroes

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We know that Brian ..... .

- needs to lose some weight
- thinks that he looks like a superhero
- **is short and thin** ✓
- is tall for his age

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In August, ...

- **some people were trapped underground** ✓
- a tour guide collapsed in a cave
- Brian and his parents went to live in Cornwall
- Brian spent his holidays in Linston

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The problem for the people in the cave was that ..... .

- they couldn't open the door at the entrance
- the entrance was blocked because the walls had collapsed
- no one had a mobile phone except Brian
- **no one except Brian could get through the gap in the rocks** ✓

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According to the article which sentence is NOT true?

- Brian gets more attention from girls now.
- **When Brian got out of the cave, he called for help on his phone.** ✓
- Even though he's small and thin, Brian doesn't get bullied any longer
- The roof to the cave entrance was made of rocks.

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..... players wear caps and short-sleeved shirts during games. They also need bats – and a ball, of course!

- Basketball
- Soccer
- **Baseball** ✓
- American football

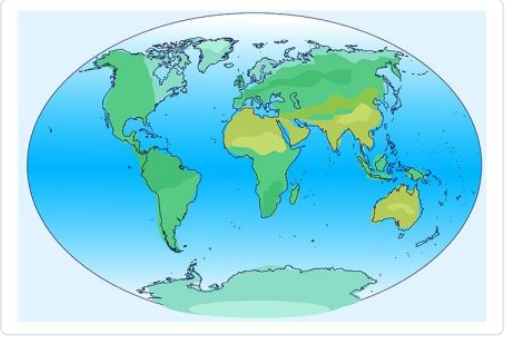
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At the end of the ....., the English king was dead and Parliament ruled the country.

- American War of Independence
- Napoleonic Wars
- **English Civil War** ✓
- American Civil War

51



..... is an English-speaking country that is about 40 times larger than the UK but has only about half as many inhabitants.

- **Canada** ✓
- Guyana
- Australia
- Liberia

52



Complete the missing word in this sentence: "He had a very strict up..... ; for example, he was never allowed to go to bed late."

- **bringing** ✓
- coming
- lifting
- holding

53



By the time Richard got to the party, the other guests ..... .

- made a lot of noise
- have been dancing for ages
- **had already arrived** ✓
- didn't arrive yet

54



Paul is on the phone. He's saying, "That's the last straw." What else could he say?

- I've finally got what I want after waiting for a long time.
- **I've had enough. This new problem is too much.** ✓
- I haven't got any money left.
- My new computer is absolutely fantastic

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"Ask not what your country can do for you – ask what you can do for your country," were perhaps the most famous words ever spoken by ..... .

- Winston Churchill
- Martin Luther King
- Queen Elizabeth I
- **John F. Kennedy** ✓