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and Phrases in Dialogues

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Introduction

This book lets you learn almost 4,000 most important English words and more than 2,000 common phrases by using them in conversations on various topics. The vocabulary ensures efficient communication in everyday situations at home, on the street, in class, at work, on a trip, and so on. New words and phrases are highlighted in **bold** in the text and are listed below each conversation. The tutorial can be used by learners of English as a second language when preparing for English language tests such as TOEFL or IELTS. It might also be useful for teachers of English as a foreign language who wish to create real-life situations in class. All conversations are original and fully written by the author, and edited by David Christian in the USA.

Greetings and Farewells

1. HEY THERE!

Hey

How are

I'm You?

Not

Glad to hear

See you!

Words

am *form*: are *form*: I'm = I you

Phrases

greetings and farewells

informal style

Hey there!

not bad

to hear that

see you

2. HELLO!

It's good to see you!

How are you

I am doing How are you?

I'm good, **How's your**

Not bad. How's your

She's doing great.

Give her my best

Thank you! See you

Words

best *form*: good), do, doing *form*: do), family, formal, give, good, great, hello, her *form*: she), how's = how is, is *form*: be), it's = it is, likewise, my, she's = she is, soon, spouse, thank, too, wish, your *form*: you)

Phrases

It's (= It is) good to...

How's (= How is) your...

I am / she is doing great

Give her...

best wishes

Thank you!

3. GOOD MORNING!

Good

Morning.

Did you **get** enough

Not

Why did you get **up** so

I **have** a **lot** of work to do.

Good **luck** to you!

Thank you!

Words

a, did *form*: do), early, enough, get, have, lot, luck, morning, of, really, sleep, so, up, why, work

Phrases

good morning

not really

get up

I have...

a lot of

a lot of work to do

Good luck to...

4. GOOD AFTERNOON!

Good

Afternoon!

Where are you

To **the** I have a **meal**

May I **join** you?

Of **What will** you have?

A **sandwich and** a **cup** of You?

A **cake** and a **glass** of

Words

afternoon, break, cafe, cake, coffee, course, cup, glass, going *form*:
go), join, juice, may, meal, sandwich, the, what, where, will

Phrases

good afternoon

to the cafe

a meal break

join you

of course

a cup of coffee

a glass of juice

5. GOOD EVENING!

Good

Evening!

How **was** your

All

Any

Nothing Are you

I'm tired. I **want** to sleep.

Go to Good

Words

all, any, bed, day, evening, go, much, news, night, nothing, right,
tire, tired, want, was *form*: be), yes

Phrases

good evening

How was...

all right

nothing much

I'm tired

I want to...

go to bed

good night

6. HOW DO I GREET A STRANGER?

How do I **greet** a

Say to 'Good morning,

What **if** it's a not a

Then say to her, 'Good morning,

What if **we met after**

Use the **phrase** 'Good afternoon'.

When can I say 'Good evening'?

Perhaps after **five p.m.**

Words

a.m., after, can, five, greet, him *form*: he), if, madam, man, meet, met, noon, p.m., perhaps, phrase, say, sir, stranger, then, use, we, when, woman

Phrases

How do I...

greet a stranger

say to him/her

What if...

not a man

after noon

Use the phrase...

When can I...

after five p.m.

Acquaintance

7. WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

What's your

What's

Where are you

How **about** you?

I'm from the **United**

What **city** are you from?

New You?

Words

about, Anna, city, from, Mark, Moscow, name, new, Russia, state, states, unite, united, what's = what is, York, yours

Phrases

your name

How about...

the United States

What city...

I'm from...

8. WHAT IS YOUR FIRST NAME?

What is your **first** name?

Mark.

What is your **last** name?

Where do you **come** from?

I come from the

Where do you **reside** now?

In Moscow.

Words

first, last, black, come, USA, reside, now, in

Phrases

first name

last name

come from

the USA

9. WHERE WERE YOU BORN?

Where **were** you

In Moscow.

When were you born?

In **April** 2000. How about you?

I was born in 1995 in

So **you're** English, **aren't** you?

Yes. What's your

Words

April, aren't = are not, born *form*: bear), English, London, nationality, Russian, were *form*: be), you're = you are

Phrases

Where were you...

When were you...

in April

I was born in...

in London

you're English

your nationality

10. WHAT IS YOUR CITIZENSHIP?

What is your

Russia.

Your **place** of

St.

What is your **date** of birth?

The first of 1986.

What is your **home**

Nevsky 74.

Words

address, avenue, birth, citizenship, date, home, January, Nevsky, Petersburg, place, please, St. = Saint

Phrases

place/date of birth

St. Petersburg = Saint Petersburg

the first of January

home address

Nevsky Avenue

11. WHERE DO YOU LIVE?

Where do you

In a **small** How about you?

In a

Do you have a

Yes, I do. What about you?

I I live in **an**

Do you live

No, there are **four** of

Words

alone, an, apartment, don't = do not, four, house, live, no, small, town, us, village

Phrases

in a small town

in a village

have a house

No, I don't

live in an apartment

live alone

there are...

four of us

12. HOW OLD ARE YOU?

How **old** are you?

I'm an **adult**

I'm **older than** you!

How **many years** older?

So, are you

Yes, I will be **twenty-seven** soon.

That **can't** be! You **look**

Words

adult, already, can't = cannot, eight, eighteen, look, many, old, older, than, twenty-seven, twenty-six, year, young, younger

Phrases

How old...

older than

I will be...

can't be

look younger

13. HAVE YOU FINISHED SCHOOL?

Have you **finished**

Yes, I finished **it** last

Do you work?

No, I **entered**

What is your

Do you **like**

Oh yes, **very** much.

Words

college, construction, enter, finish, it, like, oh, school, specialty, study, studying, very

Phrases

finish school

finished school

last year

enter college

entered college

your specialty

like studying

very much

14. WHAT'S YOUR LEVEL OF EDUCATION?

What's your **level** of

I **graduated** from

What is your

I'm a

Why did you **choose this** profession?

I **chose** it **because** I like to

How **long** have you **been** drawing?

Since I was a

Words

because, been *form*: be), choose, chose, designer, draw, education, graduate, kid, level, long, profession, since, this, university

Phrases

level of education

graduate from university

graduated from university

your profession

choose this profession

How long have you been...

Since I was...

15. WHAT DO YOU DO FOR A LIVING?

What do you do **for** a

I'm an How about you?

I'm a Where do you work?

For a construction You?

At a

Do you like the

Yes, very much. You?

No, I want to **change** my profession.

Words

at, change, company, doctor, engineer, for, hospital, job, living

Phrases

What do you do...

for a living

for a construction company

like the job

at a hospital

change my profession

16. DO YOU SPEAK RUSSIAN?

Do you **speak** Russian?

Of course! It's my **native**

Do you **know** any **foreign**

Yes, I do. English, and

What about

No, I don't speak German.

What **other** language **would** you like to

I really **enjoy learning** languages!

Words

Chinese, enjoy, foreign, French, German, know, language, learn, learning, native, other, Spanish, speak, would

Phrases

Do you speak...

speak Russian

my native language

Do you know any...

foreign languages

I don't speak...

other language

enjoy learning

Family

17. DO YOU HAVE A FAMILY?

Do you have a

Yes, I have a **large** family.

Do you live **with** your

No, **they** have **their own** home.

What **does** your **father** do?

He's a

And your

She's a **teacher** of English. I want to **take** up too!

Words

does, father, he's = he is, large, mother, musician, own, parent, take, teach, teacher, teaching, their, they, with

Phrases

have a family

have a large family

live with

their own home

your father

your mother

a teacher of English

take up teaching

18. ARE YOU MARRIED?

Are you

I'm How about you?

I'm married. I **got** married five years

Do you have any

Yes, **two**

Boys or

One boy and one

A a **son** and a **That's** a **nice** family!

Words

ago, boy, child, children, daughter, girl, got *form*: get), married, marry, nice, one, or, single, son, that's = that is, two, wife, wives

Phrases

I'm single

I'm married

I got married

five years ago

any children

two children

boys or girls

one boy

one girl

a nice family

19. WHAT IS YOUR HUSBAND'S NAME?

What is your **husband's** name?

Mark. And your **wife's** name?

Anna. What does Mark do?

He's a What about Anna?

An **but she** is not working right now.

Why not?

We have **recently had** a

Words

baby, but, congratulation, economist, had *form*: have), husband, lawyer, recent, recently, she

Phrases

your husband's name

your wife's name

is not working

right now

why not

We have recently had...

20. WHO LOOKS AFTER YOUR INFANT?

Who looks after your

My wife and I do.

Do you have a

No, we **manage**

How **often** do you **feed** the baby?

Several times a day.

Do you get enough sleep?

To **tell** the no. We have to get up often at night!

Words

feed, infant, manage, nanny, often, ourselves, several, tell, time, truth, who

Phrases

Who looks after...

my wife and I

manage ourselves

How often do you...

feed the baby

several times a day

get enough sleep

To tell the truth...

get up at night

get up often at night

21. DO YOU HAVE ANY BROTHERS OR SISTERS?

Do you have any **brothers** or

I have an older What about you?

I have a younger

How old is she?

Is she married?

No, she Is your brother married?

He used to be married. Now he is Many **marriages end** in **divorce**

Words

brother, divorce, end, he, isn't = is not, marriage, nineteen, nowadays, sister

Phrases

brothers or sisters

an older brother

a younger sister

is married

isn't married

He used to be...

is divorced

end in divorce

22. ARE YOUR GRANDPARENTS ALIVE?

Are your **grandparents**

Yes, but not all of One **grandfather** He is **buried** in **his** village.

So you have two **grandmothers** and one grandfather?

Yes, and one

How old is she?

One **hundred** and two years. She is a

Who's taking **care** of her?

No one. She's in good

Words

alive, buried, bury, care, die, grandfather, grandmother, grandparent, great-grandmother, health, his *form*: he), hundred, them, who's = who is, widow, wow

Phrases

all of them

not all of them

is buried in

one hundred and two

take care of

taking care of

no one

be in good health

23. DO YOU HAVE AN AUNT OR AN UNCLE?

Do you have an **aunt** or an

I have one aunt and one uncle.

Where do they live?

In this town.

Do you see **each** other often?

Once or **twice** a year.

Why is it so

Because we have no free time!

Words

aunt, each, free, once, rare, twice, uncle

Phrases

an aunt or an uncle

one aunt and one uncle

each other

see each other

once or twice

once a year

twice a year

have free time

have no free time

24. HOW MANY NEPHEWS DO YOU HAVE?

How many **nephews** do you have?

Not a single one. You?

Two. **They're** my brother's kids.

Do you have any

Only one. She's my sister's daughter.

I have **three** nieces.

Whose children are they?

My only sister's.

Words

nephew, niece, only, they're = they are, three, well, whose

Phrases

not a single one

my brother's kids

only one

my sister's daughter

three nieces

Whose children...

my only sister

my only sister's

25. DO YOU HAVE ANY COUSINS?

Do you have any

Yes, I do. Two girls and two boys.

Do they live in this city?

No, in the

Are they older or younger than you?

One girl is older. The **rest** are younger.

Are you **on** good **terms** with them?

Yes, **I've known** them since I was a kid!

Words

country, cousin, I've = I have, known, on, rest, terms

Phrases

two girls and two boys

in this city

in the country

younger than

older or younger than

the rest

on good terms with

I've known them since

26. DO YOU LOVE YOUR RELATIVES?

Do you **love** your

Yes, but not all of them.

Who do you love

Mom and

Do you **hate**

No, I have no

Do you love

Yes,

Words

anyone, auntie, dad, enemies, enemy, hate, love, me, mom, most, relative

Phrases

love your relatives

mom and dad

Do you hate...

have no enemies

love me

27. DOES YOUR NEIGHBOR HAVE A FAMILY?

Does your **neighbor** have a family?

No, he's an

Has he **ever** been married?

As far as I know, no.

That's He's

Yes, and he's got a good job!

Can you **introduce** me to him?

Yes, I can!

Words

as, cute, ever, far, has *form*: have), introduce, neighbor, orphan, weird

Phrases

Has he ever been...

As far as I know...

that's weird = that is weird

he's got = he has got

introduce me to

28. DID YOUR BEST FRIEND HAVE A HAPPY CHILDHOOD?

Did your best **friend** have a **happy**

No, her **real** mother **abandoned** her as an infant.

Why did she do so?

Nobody knows. **Multiple attempts** to **contact** the mother were not

Who **brought** up your friend?

She **grew** up in an orphan home. a married **couple adopted** her
as a

How old was she at that time?

She had to **establish** new family **Just imagine** for a **moment** how **hard** it was for a **teenage** girl!

Words

abandon, adopt, attempt, bond, brought *form*: bring), childhood, contact, couple, establish, friend, grew, happy, hard, imagine, just, luckily, moment, multiple, nobody, real, successful, teenage, teenager, thirteen

Phrases

best friend

a happy childhood

as an infant

nobody knows

attempts to contact

bring up

brought up

grow up

grew up

a married couple

as a teenager

family bonds

Just imagine...

for a moment

29. ARE YOU GOING TO MARRY YOUR GIRLFRIEND?

Are you going to marry your

Yes, I'm **engaged** to her.

When is your **wedding** day?

We **haven't settled** on a date

Does she have a family?

Yes, her parents and a **twin** sister.

Can you **distinguish** the sisters from each other

It was hard when I first **made** their Now the **difference between** them is

Words

acquaintance, between, difference, distinguish, easily, engage, girlfriend, haven't = have not, made, obvious, settle, twin, wedding, yet

Phrases

to marry your girlfriend

engaged to her

your wedding day

haven't (= have not) settled on a date

a twin sister

from each other

made their acquaintance

the difference between them

30. WERE THERE MANY GUESTS AT THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY?

Were there many **guests** at the marriage

A **few** The **bride's** and **groom's** families and friends.

Did young and old **folks attend** the wedding, too?

Yes, there were all from the **juniors** to the

The ceremony **cost** them a didn't it?

they **exceeded** their **household**

Did they have to **borrow money** for the wedding?

To my yes. **Everybody** was happy,

Words

attend, borrow, bride, budget, ceremony, cost, didn't = did not, dozen, everybody, exceed, few, folk, fortune, generation, groom, guest, household, indeed, junior, knowledge, money, senior, though

Phrases

many guests

at the marriage ceremony

a few dozen

the bride's and groom's families

young and old folks

attend the wedding

all generations

from the juniors to the seniors

cost them a fortune

household budgets

to borrow money

To my knowledge...

31. WHY DO MARRIED PEOPLE WEAR RINGS?

Why do married **people wear**

They want to **demonstrate** to everybody that they are

Can the rings **link** people on a **spiritual** level?

I don't **believe** in it is a **symbol** of their **commitment** to each other.

Which finger should I wear a wedding **ring** on?

On the ring finger of your **left**

May I wear other rings on all **ten**

It's up to you.

Words

believe, commitment, demonstrate, finger, hand, hardly, left, link, magic, nevertheless, people, ring, should, spiritual, symbol, taken, ten, wear, which

Phrases

wear rings

demonstrate to everybody

link people

on a spiritual level

I don't believe in...

commitment to each other

wear a wedding ring

the ring finger

left hand

ten fingers

up to you

Fundamental Needs

32. I WANT TO EAT

I want to

Buy yourself some

Shall I buy **anything** for you?

No, I'm not

Are you

A

What would you like to Shall I buy you some juice?

No, I'll drink some **mineral**

Words

anything, buy, drink, eat, food, fundamental, hungry, I'll = I shall/will, little, mineral, need, shall, some, thirsty, water, yourself

Phrases

some food

anything for you

I'm not hungry

a little

What would you like to...

some juice

buy some juice

mineral water

drink some mineral water

33. I'M COLD

I'm

Put on your **leather**

I'll be **hot**

Don't **zip** it up.

Why aren't you wearing a jacket?

I'm

But you're **dressed**

Don't I **won't catch** a cold.

Words

again, catch, cold, dress, hot, jacket, leather, lightly, put, warm,
won't = will not, worry, zip

Phrases

I'm cold

put on

leather jacket

I'll be hot = I will be hot

zip up

wearing a jacket

I'm warm = I am warm

dressed lightly

don't worry = do not worry

catch a cold

34. IT'S HARD FOR ME TO BREATHE

It's hard for me to

Are we going too

Yes, we are. I am tired.

Let's

No, let's just **walk**

Breathe

I am. Aren't you tired?

No, I'm used to walking fast.

Words

breathe, deep, deeply, fast, let's = let us, okay, slow, slower, stop, walk

Phrases

It's hard for me to...

too fast

I am tired

let's stop = let us stop

walk slowly

walk slower

breathe deeply

I'm used to...

walking fast

35. WHERE'S THE BATHROOM?

Where's the

Over there.

Is it

Yes, **prepare** the money.

Where is the **entrance** to the

I **think** it's on the right.

A woman **came out** of there!

So it's the **women's** then. The men's is on the left.

Words

bathroom, came, entrance, men's, out, over, payable, prepare, think, where's = where is, women's

Phrases

over there

prepare the money

entrance to

on the right

came out of

on the left

36. I WANT TO SLEEP

I want to sleep.

It's too early.

Really? What time is it now?

Eight **o'clock** in the evening.

What time do you **usually** go to bed?

At **eleven** o'clock in the evening.

What time do you get up?

At **seven** in the morning.

Words

eleven, o'clock, seven, usually

Phrases

want to sleep

too early

eight o'clock

in the evening

What time do you usually...

at eleven o'clock

in the morning

37. DO YOU HAVE A FAMILY?

Do you have a

Yes, I have my parents, brother and sister.

Are your neighbors good?

Yes, they are all nice people.

How about friends?

I have some.

It looks like you have **everything** for a happy

Yes, I

Words

agree, everything, life

Phrases

nice people

It looks like...

have everything for

a happy life

I agree

38. DO YOU HAVE A BOYFRIEND?

Do you have a

I had one, but we **broke** up.

For what

We didn't get Do you have a girlfriend?

Yes, we just met.

Do you love each other?

Yes, we do. I **fell** in love with her at first **We're getting** married!

I'm happy for you. Congratulations!

Words

along, boyfriend, broke, fell, getting, reason, sight, we're = we are

Phrases

have a boyfriend/girlfriend

break up

broke up

get along

just met

love each other

fall in love with

fell in love with

at first sight

get married

getting married

be happy for

39. WHAT ARE BASIC HUMAN NEEDS?

What are **basic human** needs?

In the first place, we need **air** to breathe.

we can't live **without**

In the **second** place, we need water and food.

they are

In the **third** place, we need to sleep.

Yes, we can't **function properly** without sleep!

In we need **warmth** and **Sexual activity** is **essential** to **continue** life!

Words

activity, addition, air, basic, breathing, continue, correct, essential, function, human, naturally, properly, second, sex, sexual, shelter, third, vital, warmth, without

Phrases

basic human needs

in the first place

air to breathe

live without

in the second place

water and food

in the third place

function properly

without sleep

in addition

sexual activity

to continue life

Safety and Health

40. HELP!

What's going on?

I've been

Call the

What's their

Dial

My **cell phone** was too!

Use

Words

911 (nine-one-one), call, cell, dial, help, mine, number, phone, police, rob, robbed, safety, steal, stolen

Phrases

going on

call the police

my cell phone

use mine

41. CALL AN AMBULANCE!

Call an

Are you not **feeling** well?

I have **chest** pain.

Is it

but it **might** be a **heart**

Does anything **else**

Stomach and

Okay, I'll call an ambulance.

Words

ambulance, back, chest, else, feeling, heart, hurt, might, mild, pain, problem, severe, stomach

Phrases

call an ambulance

chest pain

a heart problem

anything else

42. CALL THE DOCTOR, PLEASE!

Call the doctor,

Are you

I think so. I have a

That's bad news. Have you **checked** your

No, I don't have a

What about your **blood**

I don't have a blood pressure

Okay, **stay** in bed. I'll call the doctor.

Words

blood, check, headache, monitor, pressure, sick, stay, temperature, thermometer

Phrases

call the doctor

be sick

have a headache

have a thermometer

blood pressure

blood pressure monitor

stay in bed

43. I NEED A LITTLE HELP

I need a little **Fetch** me the first **aid** please.

What's

I hurt **myself** a little

Is it bad? Do you want to put on a

No, just a

No problem. **Let** me put it on.

Thank you for your help!

You are **Next** time, be **more**

Words

aid, bandage, Band-Aid, bit, careful, fetch, happen, kit, let, more, myself, next, welcome

Phrases

need a little help

first aid kit

hurt myself

a little bit

put on a bandage

Let me...

Thank you for...

you are welcome

next time

be more careful

44. WATCH OUT!

Watch out! There are **icicles above** your

Let's get away from the

Be careful! **There's ice under** your

it's **slippery**

There's no ice on the other **side** of the

It's a good Why don't we walk **across** the

That's a good

Hang on to my

Words

above, across, arm, away, building, feet, hang, head, here, ice, icicle, idea, road, side, slippery, street, there's = there is, thing, under, watch, yeah

Phrases

watch out

above your head

get away from

be careful

under your feet

it's slippery here

on the other side of

a good thing

Why don't we...

walk across

a good idea

hang on to

45. STOP! DON'T CROSS THE ROAD

Stop! Don't **cross** the road.

Why not?

Because the **traffic light** is

It was just

Let's **wait** for it to **turn**

The **vehicles** are far away. Let's

That's

Okay, let's not take any

Words

chance, cross, dangerous, green, light, red, run, traffic, turn, vehicle, wait, yellow

Phrases

don't cross = do not cross

the traffic light

Let's (= let us) wait for...

turn green

far away

let's run

let's not

take chances

46. BEWARE OF THE DOG!

Beware of the

What dog?

It's **behind** you. Turn

Oh, this one? It is not dangerous.

Are you It **ran** out of those **automatic**

So what? **Maybe** it lives there!

Pay attention to the **sign** on the "Beware of **vicious** dog"!

This dog has **kind** It is not vicious!

Words

around, attention, automatic, behind, beware, dog, eye, gate, kind, maybe, pay, ran, sign, sure, those, vicious

Phrases

beware of

behind you

turn around

be sure

ran out of

automatic gates

So what?

Pay attention to...

kind eyes

47. YOU'RE DRIVING TOO FAST

You're **driving** too fast. **Eighty miles per**

Don't be I'm an **experienced**

We **could** have **gotten** in an Slow

Okay, I'm slowing down.

Keep your

The distance is

Be careful behind the

Stop telling me what to do, please!

Words

accident, afraid, could, distance, down, drive, driver, eighty, experience, gotten, hour, keep, mile, per, sufficient, wheel

Phrases

miles per hour

be afraid

an experienced driver

get in an accident

slow down

keep distance

keep your distance

behind the wheel

stop telling

what to do

48. DO YOU SMELL THE SMOKE?

Do you **smell** the

Yes, I do. **Something** is

Did you turn on the

No, I didn't. The house has been warm without it.

Did you light

I don't have any.

Did you **cook** in the

Yes! I **forgot** to turn **off** the

Words

burn, candle, cook, forget, forgot, heater, kitchen, off, smell, smoke, something, stove

Phrases

smell the smoke

something is burning

turn on

turn on the heater

light candles

cook in the kitchen

forgot to

turn off

turn off the stove

49. WHAT WILL YOU DO IN CASE OF A FIRE?

What will you do in **case** of a

I will call the fire

Will you **try** to put out the fire yourself?

Yes, with a fire

What if it is not there?

I'll look for a water

What if it's not there

Then I'll **bring buckets** of water!

Words

bring, bucket, case, department, either, extinguisher, fire, hose, try

Phrases

What will you do...

in case of

call the fire department

put out the fire

a fire extinguisher

a water hose

buckets of water

50. TAKE AN UMBRELLA WITH YOU!

Take an **umbrella** with you!

I don't want to.

Why not?

I could forget it

It's **raining**

I'll put on a

It **doesn't protect against**

Yes, but it protects against **rain** and

Words

against, doesn't = does not, hail, outside, protect, rain, raincoat, somewhere, umbrella, wind

Phrases

take with you

protect against

rain and wind

51. DO YOU LIVE IN A SAFE AREA?

Do you live in a **safe**

Yes, the **crime rate** is **low** there.

Do you **lock** the **doors** at night?

Yes, and in the just in case.

Do **earthquakes occur** in the area?

No,

What about the

They take place A **river** is

Words

area, crime, daytime, door, earthquake, flood, lock, low, nearby,
never, occur, rate, river, safe, sometimes

Phrases

in a safe area

the crime rate

lock the doors

at night

in the daytime

just in case

earthquakes occur

in the area

take place

be nearby

52. WHY ARE YOU STARING AT THE PRINTER?

Why are you **staring** at the Have you **encountered** a problem?

Yes, the printer does not **react** to any Why?

It **cannot read** your

No, what could be the

It can be a **combination** of causes. Is it **connected** to the **socket** with a

Sure. I can check if the **connection** is

Do it Don't **risk** your life! Don't **grab bare**

They are not bare. Don't worry, I know how to **ensure** my own safety!

Words

bare, cable, cannot, carefully, cause, combination, command, connect, connection, encounter, ensure, grab, printer, react, read, risk, secure, seriously, socket, stare, thought, wire

Phrases

stare at

staring at

encounter a problem

encountered a problem

react to

read thoughts

read your thoughts

a combination of causes

connected to... with

check if

do it

don't risk = do not risk

don't grab = do not grab

bare wire(s)

know how (to)

ensure safety

ensure my own safety

53. HAVE YOU HEARD OF THE RECENT EMERGENCY AT THE FACTORY?

Have you **heard** of the recent **emergency** at the

Yes, there was an **extremely powerful explosion** two days ago.

Was **anybody**

There were a few The **rescue team pulled** them out of the building.

Couldn't they get out of it

No, the explosion was **completely** The **entry** was

Was there a fire?

Yes, the **flames spread** the **firefighters** managed to **deal** with the fire.

Words

anybody, block, completely, couldn't = could not, deal, emergency, entry, explosion, extremely, factory, firefighter, flame, heard *form*: hear), however, injure, powerful, pull, quickly, rescue, spread, team, themselves, unexpected, victim

Phrases

hear of

heard of

the recent emergency

at the factory

a powerful explosion

two days ago

a few victims

the rescue team

pull out of

pulled them out of

get out of

spread quickly

manage to

managed to

deal with

54. IS THERE AN EFFECTIVE CURE FOR CANCER?

Is there an **effective cure** for

Not yet, but cancer **research** continues. The **latest findings** are **likely** to **make** a difference.

What can **terminally ill** people **hope** for Nothing but magic?

The only real hope is **dramatic improvements** in **drug therapy** and

Is it **true** that this **illness** is caused by

Yes, some **types** of cancer might be caused by

What is the **main difficulty** in cancer

The **disease starts** without Some people **find** out they are ill when it is too

Words

by, cancer, cure, difficulty, disease, dramatic, drug, effective, find, finding, hope, ill, illness, improvement, infection, late, latest *form*: late), likely, main, make, research, start, surgery, symptom, terminally, therapy, today, treatment, true, type, virus

Phrases

an effective cure for

cancer research

the latest findings

to make a difference

terminally ill

hope for

nothing but

the only hope

improvements in

drug therapy

Is it true that...

caused by

the main difficulty

without symptoms

find out

too late

55. MY EIGHTY-YEAR-OLD GRANDMA HAS A FEVER

My **eighty-year-old grandma** has a fever. How do we **identify its** causes?

A fever is a **common** symptom of the **flu** virus.

So, she **caught** the flu from my **ninety-year-old**

Do they have **equally high** temperature?

He had a fever last time. His temperature **decreased** to **normal** recently.

Did he take **tablets** for fever?

Yes, but she does not want to take them. Her temperature **remains** high for now.

She **must** take the **medicine** to get Tell her they are

Words

better, caught *form*: catch), common, decrease, eighty-year-old, equally, fever, flu, grandma, grandpa, high, identify, its, medicine, must, ninety-year-old, normal, remain, tablet, vitamin, week

Phrases

has a fever

a common symptom of

the flu virus

caught the flu from

equally high

last week

take tablets for

for now

to get better

56. ARE PATIENTS PUT TO SLEEP DURING SURGICAL OPERATIONS?

Are **patients** put to sleep **during surgical**

In some cases, they must be In other cases,

When must a **patient** be Can you give a **fairly** common

Laser eye surgery. It's a **complex** operation to **improve**

Is it **crucial** for patients to stay

No, the complex surgical **equipment controls every motion** of their eyes.

Is there risk that the vision **becomes worse** as a result?

The risk is In most cases, the vision **recovers** quickly after the operation.

Words

awake, become, complex, conscious, control, crucial, during, equipment, every, example, fairly, improve, laser, minimal, motion, motionless, operation, patient, recover, result, surgical, unconscious, vision, worse

Phrases

put to sleep

in some cases

in other cases

be awake

a common example

eye surgery

a complex operation

to improve vision

Is there risk that...

becomes worse

as a result

in most cases

57. MY FINGERS AND TOES ARE ACHING

My fingers and **toes** are I have **knee** pain. What doctor should I see?

An

I **also feel** pain in the **lungs** and other **internal**

Visit an I know a good one, but she is **pregnant** and on **maternity leave** now.

In addition, I have I **dream** that a hospital **nurse drops poison** on my **tongue** by This causes **throat**

That is likely a **mental** problem. Does anyone get on your **nerves** in

Yeah, **poisonous snakes** do. They are hard of **hearing** but see well up Their **venom** can cause

There are no **venomous** snakes in **our** area. Start with **consulting** a

Words

ache, aching, also, besides, close, consult, consulting, dream, drop, feel, hearing, internal, internist, knee, leave, lung, maternity, mental, mistake, nerve, nightmare, nurse, organ, orthopedist, our, poison, poisonous, pregnant, psychiatrist, reality, shock, snake, spasm, throat, toe, tongue, venom, venomous, visit

Phrases

knee pain

feel pain in

internal organs

visit an internist

on maternity leave

have nightmares

dream that

by mistake

throat spasm

a mental problem

get on your nerves

in reality

poisonous snakes

hard of hearing

see well

up close

start with

Going on Foot

58. EXCUSE ME, HOW DO WE GET TO THE CITY CENTER?

Excuse me, how do we get to the city

It's on the **opposite** side of the river. You need to go across the river.

Is there a **bridge** nearby?

Yes, walk along the **riverbank** **until** you see it.

Is that far from here?

Yes, it's a long walk. It takes about an hour to get there.

Is there a **shorter**

No, **unless** you take a

Words

boat, bridge, center, excuse, foot, opposite, path, riverbank, shorter
form: short), unless, until

Phrases

Excuse me...

how do we get to

city center

on the opposite side of

walk along

a long walk

It takes...

to get there

a shorter path

take a boat

59. EXCUSE ME, WHERE IS THE NEAREST SUPERMARKET?

Excuse me, where is the **nearest**

Walk **straight** three blocks.

Is that far away?

It's a **fifteen minute** walk.

Is it **open** now?

It must be.

Thank you!

My

Words

fifteen, minute, nearest *form*: near), open, pleasure, straight, supermarket

Phrases

the nearest supermarket

walk straight

a fifteen minute walk

my pleasure

60. EXCUSE ME, WHERE IS THE RESTROOM HERE?

Excuse me, where is the **restroom** here?

Follow the **wide corridor** to the end.

We were at the end of it but didn't find the door.

Turn right **into** a **narrow**

Okay, right. Where to next?

Go down the passage. The bathroom should be on the left.

Thank you very much!

You are welcome.

Words

corridor, follow, into, narrow, passage, restroom, wide

Phrases

follow the corridor

to the end

at the end of

find the door

turn right

a narrow passage

down the passage

Thank you very much

61. SHALL WE GO UP THE STAIRS?

Shall we go up the

No, my **legs** hurt. Let's take the

Aren't you afraid of

No, I'll **hold** on to the

There's also an

I don't want to use the elevator.

Are you afraid of **confined**

No, but the elevator can get

Words

confine, elevator, escalator, falling, handrail, hold, leg, space, stair, stick, stuck *form*: stick)

Phrases

go up the stairs

take the escalator

afraid of falling

hold on to

confined spaces

get stuck

62. EXCUSE ME, ARE YOU FROM HERE?

Excuse me, are you from here?

Yes. How can I help you?

Could you tell me where the **pharmacy** is?

Go down this street. The pharmacy is around the

Is there a **grocery**

Yes, to the left of the pharmacy.

And the

No, the market is far away. You had better get a

Words

cab, corner, grocery, market, pharmacy, store

Phrases

from here

Could you tell me...

around the corner

a grocery store

to the left of

You had better...

63. I WANT TO TAKE A WALK

I want to take a Let's go to the **central**

It is too far from here. We could just walk back and **forth** on this road or

This road is We will **have** to move I want to go at a fast

If you're afraid of **mind** your

Road **repairs** are It **leads** Why don't we change

Fine, let's go **directly** to the park.

Thank you! Where is the **shortest way** there?

Down this Follow me!

Words

ahead, central, direction, directly, elsewhere, forth, lane, lead, mind, move, nowhere, pace, park, repair, rough, shortest *form*: short), slowly, step, stumble, way

Phrases

take a walk

the central park

too far from here

back and forth

on this road

move slowly

at a fast pace

afraid of stumbling

mind your step

road repairs

lead nowhere

change direction

go directly to

the shortest way

follow me

64. DO YOU SEE THE CASTLE BEYOND THE WALL?

Do you see the **castle beyond** the

Yes, there are several **towers** made of **gray**

It was **built** in the **Middle Ages** mainly from **local**

Why here? I what was the **advantage** of this place?

It's on the **hill** next to the river. Going **upward** would have been **harder** than

An enemy **army** could **surround** the castle. **Defenders** would have to

Not They could **escape through** a **secret**

Thank **God** those days are

Words

advantage, age, army, beyond, built *form*: build), castle, defender, downward, escape, god, gone, gray, harder *form*: hard), hill, local, mainly, material, mean, middle, necessarily, secret, stone, surrender, surround, through, tower, tunnel, upward, wall

Phrases

beyond the wall

made of

in the Middle Ages

the advantage of

next to

going upward/downward

not necessarily

escape through

a secret tunnel

thank God

those days are gone

Transportation

65. WHERE'S THE BUS STOP?

Where's the **bus** stop?

I have no idea.

Somebody must know. Let's **ask** around.

There's no one around.

Let's look for a bus stop sign then.

Look over there. There it is!

I can't see it without

Wear them, or **you'll** get **lost** in the city!

Words

ask, bus, glasses, lost *form*: lose), somebody, transportation, you'll
= you will

Phrases

bus stop

no idea

ask around

no one around

a bus stop sign

get lost

66. IS THE BUS FARE EXPENSIVE?

Is the bus **fare**

No, it's

How about a

It's expensive.

What are the other **means** of **transport** here?

Tram and

Where can I buy subway

At the I think.

Words

cheap, expensive, fare, means, station, subway, taxi, ticket, tram, transport

Phrases

bus fare

it's (= it is) cheap

it's expensive

means of transport

subway tickets

67. HOW DO WE GET TO THE PARK?

How do we get to the park?

It's a couple of tram stops from here. We can ask the driver where to get off the tram.

Where can I buy tickets?

From the ticket

How do I pay for them?

By **card** or in

Can we get on the tram and pay the driver?

No, you need to have a ticket **before**

Words

before, boarding, card, cash, machine

Phrases

tram stops

get off the tram

buy tickets

ticket machines

by card

in cash

get on the tram

pay the driver

before boarding

68. HOW DO WE GET TO THE AIRPORT?

How do we get to the

By bus or taxi.

Are we going to buy tickets at the **box**

No, I've already **bought** them

Did you **print** them out?

This is not All we need is

How do you know all this?

I've already **flown abroad** a few times.

Words

abroad, airport, awesome, bought *form*: buy), box, flown, fly, office, online, passport, print, require

Phrases

at the box office

print them out

All we need is...

a few times

69. LOOK AT THE SIGNS. ARE WE GOING TO THE ARRIVALS AREA?

Look at the signs. Are we going to the **Arrivals** area?

No, the

Domestic Departures?

No, **International** Departures.

How about

This is not for us. We don't change planes. We have a **direct**

Is our flight on time?

Let's check the Sometimes flights are **delayed** or

Words

arrival, board, cancel, delay, departure, direct, domestic, flight, international, plane, transfer

Phrases

Arrivals area

Domestic Departures

International Departures

not for us

change planes

direct flight

on time

check the board

flights are delayed/canceled

70. WHERE CAN WE CHECK IN?

Where can we check in?

At the **check-in**

Do we have to **register** the

Yes, **except** for the hand baggage.

What do we do after that?

We have to go through **border** control.

What **documents** do we need?

Passports and boarding

Words

baggage, border, check-in, desk, document, except, pass, register

Phrases

check in

register the baggage

except for

hand baggage

after that

go through

border control

boarding pass

71. WHERE DO WE WAIT TO BOARD THE PLANE?

Where do we wait to board the plane?

In the departure **lounge** of **Terminal A**.

When can we get on the plane?

As soon as we are called to board.

How long does it take to board a plane?

About **half** an hour.

How do we find our plane?

We must know our gate number.

Words

half, lounge, terminal

Phrases

board the plane

departure lounge

get on the plane

as soon as

call to board

half an hour

gate number

72. IS THERE A RAILWAY STATION IN THIS TOWN?

Is there a **railway** station in this town?

Yes, it's in the **northern part** of the city.

Do **long-distance trains arrive** there?

Yes. Where do you need to go?

To the to the

Why not fly by plane?

Because I'm **scared** of

Then find out first if train tickets are

Words

arrive, available, flying, long-distance, north, northern, part, railway, scare, seacoast, south, train

Phrases

railway station

in the northern part of

long-distance train

to the south

to the seacoast

fly by plane

scared of flying

train ticket

73. DO YOU OFTEN GO BY TRAIN?

Do you often go by train?

Just several times a year.

By local or long-distance trains?

If the **trip** is long, do you sleep on the train?

Yes. I take the **upper**

Do you go to the **dining**

No, I eat my food in the

Words

berth, both, car, compartment, dine, dining, seldom, trip, upper

Phrases

go by train

several times a year

sleep on the train

upper berth

dining car

74. AT WHAT TRACK DOES OUR TRAIN ARRIVE ON?

At what **track** does our train arrive on?

Track number five.

How long is the stop?

Just a few minutes.

What time does it

At a **quarter past** seven.

What if we're late?

The train will leave without us!

Words

depart, past, quarter, track

Phrases

arrive on

a few minutes

a quarter past seven

we're late

75. DO YOU KNOW HOW TO DRIVE A VEHICLE?

Do you know how to drive a vehicle?

Yes, I've been driving since I was eighteen.

Who else in your family can drive?

Everyone except my grandmother. She's too old.

Do you **travel** in your own car?

Yes, we go to the **mountains** on

What car do you have?

An

Words

everyone, mountain, SUV, travel, weekend

Phrases

I've been driving since I was...

everyone except

travel in your own car

to the mountains

on weekends

76. DOES YOUR SISTER KNOW HOW TO RIDE A BIKE?

Does your sister know how to **ride** a

Yes, she had a **bicycle** as a child.

Will she ride with us along the **cycle** path?

I don't think so. She **prefers** a

That's a dangerous means of transportation!

She says the bike is more dangerous. The bicycle **chain** can break.
You might

Does she wear a

yes. By the way, we have to wear it, too!

Words

bicycle, bike, chain, cycle, fall, fortunately, helmet, motorcycle,
prefer, ride

Phrases

ride a bike

along the cycle path

a dangerous means of transportation

wear a helmet

by the way

77. CAN YOUR BROTHER RIDE A HORSE?

Can your brother ride a

Yes, he's a great

Where did he learn to ride?

At a **riding** school.

Does he take part in horse

No, he's a **mounted** police

Can he drive a car?

Sure, but the horse is his main mean of transportation!

Words

horse, mount, officer, race, racing, rider, riding

Phrases

ride a horse

riding school

take part in

horse racing

police officer

mounted police officer

drive a car

78. WHY DID YOU SIGNAL ME?

Why did you **signal** me?

My **van** is stuck. Will you help me **drag** it out of the

Of course I will. Is the **van's frame**

This is a **modified model** of the vehicle. It has a **firm** frame.

Is there any **load** in the

Yes, it should be **fastened** with **additional**

Are you in a

I have to **return** to the **parking** lot over there in **fifty** minutes.

Words

additional, body, damage, ditch, drag, fasten, fifty, firm, frame, hurry, load, model, modify, parking, return, rope, signal, unlikely, van

Phrases

drag out of

van's frame

modified model

firm frame

load in the body

fastened with

in a hurry

parking lot

in fifty minutes

79. I'M RUNNING OUT OF GAS

I'm **running** out of What should I do?

Drive to the nearest gas station. **Refuel** the car.

How can I find a gas station?

Look for the **relevant** road sign.

What if there are no road signs nearby?

Use a **navigator** on your **mobile** phone.

What if there's no **internet** connection?

Ask a **passerby** for directions!

Words

gas, internet, mobile, navigator, passerby, refuel, relevant, running
form: run)

Phrases

running out of

gas station

use a navigator

mobile phone

internet connection

ask for directions

80. I HAVE AN ELECTRIC CAR

I have an **electric** car. How do I **charge** it?

Connect it to a **charging**

Are there **such posts** in this road

Yes, but only one **fifth** of them works. The rest are not yet

The **handle** of my charging cable is Do you have a **spare** cable?

Yes, but it doesn't **support rapid battery** charging. It will have to be connected for a few hours!

That won't work. How do I do it

You need to go to a charging station.

Words

battery, broken *form*: break), charge, charging, electric, faster *form*: fast), fifth, handle, post, power, rapid, section, spare, such, support

Phrases

electric car

connect to

road section

one fifth of

spare cable

battery charging

for a few hours

won't work = will not work

charging station

81. HAVE YOU EVER SAILED ON A SHIP?

Have you ever **sailed** on a

No, only in a small boat down the river. You?

I **cruised** the **Pacific**

Wow! Who did you go with?

My husband. We had a **double-berth**

Was it a **big** ship?

Yes, it was Would you like to travel like that?

No, there will **always** be **waves** in the ocean. I **suffer** from

Words

always, big, cabin, cruise, double-berth, huge, ocean, pacific, sail, seasickness, ship, suffer, wave

Phrases

Have you ever...

sail on a ship

sail in a boat

down the river

double-berth cabin

suffer from

82. WHAT FUEL IS USED IN AIRCRAFT ENGINES?

What **fuel** is used in **aircraft**

Liquid fuel called

Can it be used as an **energy source** at home?

In the past, it was **widely** used in **lamps** and for

What fuel do ships run on?

Modern ships use fuel A **century** ago, ships were powered by

What powers trains?

It used to be **wood** and coal. Today, it is liquid or gas fuel and

Words

aircraft, century, coal, cooking, electricity, energy, engine, fuel, kerosene, lamp, liquid, modern, oil, source, widely, wood

Phrases

aircraft engine

liquid fuel

energy source

widely used in

run on

fuel oil

a century ago

powered by

83. WHAT IS THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD CALLED IN LONDON?

What is the **underground railroad** called in London?

The Some **lines** are **round pipes** there.

Is the London Underground

In **rush** hours, it is

Are there **lots** of **passengers** in the New York subway, too?

Yes. It's **noisy** and **Standing** on the **edge** of the **platform** is You might fall **onto** the tracks!

Are there no

The **authorities** should **install screen** doors on all platforms!

Words

authority, barrier, crowded, edge, install, line, lots, noisy, none, onto, overcrowd, overcrowded, passenger, pipe, platform, railroad, risky, round, rush, screen, standing, tube, underground, unsafe

Phrases

underground railroad

the Tube

round pipe

rush hour

lots of

on the edge of

fall onto

no barrier

install screen doors

84. IS A TANKER INTENDED TO CARRY ARMY TANKS?

Is a **tanker intended** to **carry** army

No, the ship is a **tank** It **carries various** mainly liquids or gases.

Where do the **sea routes** of tankers

in all oceans. The routes are not

Where are the ships loaded and

At **ports** of **export** and

What is the **cargo capacity** of tankers?

From a few hundred to several **thousand**

Words

capacity, cargo, cargoes, carry, everywhere, export, fix, import, intend, itself, lie, port, route, sea, tank, tanker, thousand, ton, unload, various

Phrases

intended to carry

a tank itself

various cargoes

liquids or gases

sea route

loaded and unloaded

export and import

cargo capacity

a few hundred tons

several thousand tons

85. HOW MANY AIRLINES ARE THERE IN THE WORLD?

How many **airlines** are there in the

Over five thousand. Their number is **increasing rapidly** all over the world.

What companies fly to the most **destinations**

American Airlines and **China Eastern**

How often do airplanes

Just once. **Calm** down, it's a plane crashes are rare.

If a plane is damaged, can it **land** on water?

Sometimes it happens. Many passengers

Words

actually, airline, airplane, American, calm, China, crash, destination, eastern, increase, joke, land, rapidly, survive, world, worldwide

Phrases

in the world

five thousand

all over the world

What companies fly to...

fly to

the most destinations

American Airlines

China Eastern Airlines

just once

calm down

plane crash

land on water

many passengers

Purchases

86. DO YOU HAVE ANY MONEY?

Do you have any

A little. Why are you asking?

We need to buy some groceries at the store.

What groceries?

Flour and

I'll buy them. What else do we need?

Oatmeal and

My money won't be enough. Can you give me some?

Words

butter, flour, napkin, oatmeal, purchase

Phrases

any money

need to buy

some groceries

at the store

be enough

give me

87. BUY SOME WASHING POWDER, PLEASE!

Buy some **washing** please!

Don't we have the powder at home?

No, it's out. too.

Good. What else shall I buy?

Batteries for the

Where are they

Right at the **cashier's** desk, I think.

Okay, I'll ask the

Words

cashier, flashlight, powder, soap, sold, washing

Phrases

washing powder

at home

it's out

right at

cashier's desk

88. HOW MUCH IS A POUND OF NUTS?

How much is a **pound** of

Thirty-eight

Weigh half a pound, please!

Anything else?

No, that's all.

Nineteen dollars, please!

Here are

Keep the change, please!

Words

dollar, nut, pound, thirty-eight, twenty, weigh

Phrases

How much is...

a pound of nuts

half a pound

Here are...

keep the change

89. GIVE ME A PACKET OF CHIPS, PLEASE!

Give me a **packet** of please!

From which

From the **top** one.

What else?

A box of **candies** from the **bottom** shelf.

Here you go.

How much does it all cost?

Seventeen dollars, please!

Words

bottom, candies, candy, chip, packet, seventeen, shelf, top

Phrases

a packet of chips

a box of candies

90. HOW MUCH DO FIFTEEN GALLONS OF GAS COST?

How much do fifteen **gallons** of gas cost?

Thirty dollars and **forty-two**

Can I pay in cash?

Of course.

Wait a minute! I think I forgot the money at home.

There is no need to go home. You can pay with a card.

Is that the card

Yes, place your card against it.

Words

cent, forty-two, gallon, reader, thirty

Phrases

fifteen gallons of gas

pay in cash

no need to go

pay with a card

card reader

91. IS THIS HOUSE FOR SALE?

Is this house for

Yes. Do you want to buy it?

Maybe. How much does it cost?

Three hundred thousand dollars.

It's too expensive!

How much would you pay?

Half as much.

No, that would be too cheap!

Words

sale

Phrases

for sale

three hundred thousand

too expensive

half as much

too cheap

92. WHAT IS THE ACTUAL COST OF A HOUSE?

What is the **actual** cost of a house?

Well, it's the **price** of the house itself **plus** other

What fees?

the real **estate agent's property**

Do I **gain** any advantages if I buy without a

In yes. In you can run into problems.

What other **payments** do I need to make?

Home **maintenance** and repairs.

Words

actual, agent, commission, estate, fee, firstly, gain, maintenance, payment, plus, practice, price, property, realtor, secondly, tax, theory

Phrases

actual cost

price of the house

other fees

agent's commission

property taxes

gain advantages

in theory

in practice

run into problems

other payments

home maintenance

home repairs

93. ARE CREDIT CARDS USED FOR EVERYDAY PURCHASES?

Are **credit** cards used for **everyday** purchases?

Yes, but be careful, **otherwise** you can get into

Do **banks forgive** debts?

don't **spend** more than you can

How do I **determine** my

Use **limited amounts** on all

A lot of people can't do that, **nor** can I. Should I close my bank

On the you **ought** to open one more. Use it to **set aside** money for the

Words

account, afford, amount, aside, bank, contrary, credit, debt,
determine, everyday, forgive, future, limit, limited, nor, occasion,
otherwise, ought, rarely, set, spend, therefore

Phrases

credit card

get into debt

forgive debts

more than you can afford

limited amounts

on all occasions

bank account

on the contrary

you ought to

one more

set aside money

for the future

Daily Routine

94. GOOD MORNING! ARE YOU IN BED YET?

Good morning! Are you in bed yet? It's time to get up!

(No

Are you sleeping?

(No answer.)

Wake up, son!

I have **woken** up. What time is it now?

Look at the wall It's eight in the morning!

Oh, I

Words

answer, clock, daily, hell, oversleep, overslept, routine, wake, woken

Phrases

in bed

no answer

wake up

look at

wall clock

eight in the morning

95. ARE YOU ASLEEP?

Are you

No. Why are you

I **thought** you were sleeping.

Currently I'm having a **conversation** with you. What do you want to say?

It's **nearly** nine in the morning! Didn't you hear the **alarm-clock** ringing?

It didn't ring. I **altered** the time **setting**

What **option** did you choose?

Ten in the morning. I love to break the routine

Words

alarm-clock, alter, asleep, conversation, currently, nearly, nine, occasionally, option, setting, thought *form*: think), whisper, yesterday

Phrases

be asleep

nearly nine

hear the alarm-clock ringing

time setting

break the routine

96. HAVE YOU GOT UP YET?

Have you got up

Yes, I have.

Make the bed.

I have made it.

Go to the bathroom. Don't forget to **flush** the

I've been there. I've flushed it.

Have you got dressed?

Not yet. I'm getting dressed!

Words

flush

toilet

Phrases

make the bed

don't forget to

flush the toilet

get dressed

97. WHAT A MESS! WHOSE TOWEL IS ON THE FLOOR?

What a Whose **towel** is on the

It's mine. I **took** a

Who left the **toothpaste** tube on the

My little sister did.

Is that her

Yes, it's

You two need to **clean** up here!

I'll **remove** my towel. Let her **clear** her things

Words

clean, clear, floor, hers, herself, mess, remove, shower, sink, took, toothbrush, toothpaste, towel

Phrases

take a shower

toothpaste tube

on the sink

clean up

clear her things

98. WHAT TIME DO YOU WAKE UP AT USUALLY?

What time do you wake up at usually?

At half past seven, but I get up at seven.

Who makes **breakfast** for you?

I cook it by myself.

What time does your wife get up?

At half past nine.

Why so late?

She **goes** to bed late.

Words

breakfast, goes

Phrases

What time do you...

at half past seven

get up at seven

make breakfast

cook by myself

so late

go to bed late

99. BREAKFAST IS READY. COME AND GET IT!

Breakfast is Come and get it!

I'm on my way. What's for breakfast today?

Cheese and **ham** sandwiches. **Sit** down and eat!

Why don't you eat yourself?

I don't want to. I'm not hungry.

Will you have a drink at

I've already had a glass of

Pour me some milk, too, please!

Words

cheese, ham, least, milk, pour, ready, sit

Phrases

on my way

for breakfast

sit down

have a drink

at least

a glass of milk

pour me some milk

100. HOW MANY TIMES A DAY DO YOU EAT?

How many times a day do you eat?

Four times.

What time do you have breakfast?

At eight in the morning.

What time is

At

What about

At seven o'clock in the evening. In addition, we have a **snack** at about five.

Words

dinner, lunch, snack, twelve-thirty

Phrases

times a day

four times

have a snack

at about five

101. HOW OFTEN DO YOU DO THE CLEANING?

How often do you do the

Every week.

Who **wipes** the

Our children do.

Who **washes** the floors?

I do.

Who **vacuums** the

My husband does.

Words

carpet, cleaning, dust, vacuum, wash, wipe

Phrases

do the cleaning

every week

102. DO YOUR PARENTS URGE YOU TO CLEAN UP YOUR ROOM?

Do your parents **urge** you to clean up your

I need no I take out the **trash** myself.

Who **sweeps** the floor?

I do. Besides, I **rub** the **furniture** with a **damp**

Do you also change the

Yes, and I **brush** my carpet.

Do you do anything for your parents?

Sometimes. My mom loves but she's I **thread** a **needle** for her.

Words

brush, cloth, damp, furniture, needle, room, rub, sew, sewing, sheet, short-sighted, sweep, thread, thus, trash, urge, urging

Phrases

take out the trash

sweep the floor

rub the furniture with

damp cloth

change the sheets

brush the carpet

love sewing

thread a needle

103. CAN YOU COME INTO THE KITCHEN NOW?

Can you come into the kitchen now?

What has happened?

Replace the light please. The old one has **burnt** out.

Do we have any new

I don't know, look at the shelf.

Yes, there are some. I will replace it.

First turn off the **lights** in the kitchen!

I will turn it off, don't worry.

Words

bulb, burnt *form*: burn), replace

Phrases

come into the kitchen

light bulb

burnt out

turn off the lights

104. GO TO THE GROCERY STORE, PLEASE.

Go to the grocery please.

Okay. What should I buy?

First of all, **bread** and

What else?

Three pounds of Make sure that it is

Is that all?

Half a pound of cheese. Have you **memorized** everything?

Yes, I have a great

Words

bread, fresh, memorize, memory, salt, sausage

Phrases

bread and salt

three pounds of

Make sure that...

half a pound of

memorize everything

a great memory

105. WILL YOU HELP ME SET THE TABLE?

Will you help me set the

I will, of course! What should I do?

Get the **plates** out of the

Got them. Do we need cups, too?

Yes. **Arrange** the plates and cups on the table.

I have **arranged** them. Shall I get some **forks** and

Yes, as well as Put them **near** the plates.

That's all! The table is set!

Words

arrange, cupboard, fork, knife, knives, near, plate, spoon, table

Phrases

set the table

get the plates out of

arrange on the table

forks and spoons

put them near the plates

106. WHAT DO YOU DO ON WEEKDAYS?

What do you do on

I go to work.

How long do you work?

Eight hours a day.

Do your children go to school?

Yes, but they come back before I do.

Does your husband work, too?

Yes, he comes back

Words

later, weekday

Phrases

go to work

go to school

come back

107. WHAT DO YOU DO ON WEEKENDS?

What do you do on

We rest.

How

We walk in the park in the morning.

What do you do after lunch?

We go **shopping** and to cafes.

And in the evening? Do you watch anything on the

Oh yes, we watch **movies** on but I hate TV

Words

exactly, movie, shopping, show, television, TV

Phrases

walk in the park

go shopping

watch movies on TV

108. DO YOU GO TO CHURCH?

Do you go to

No, I'm not a **religious** You?

I believe in God. I go to **pray**

What is your

I am a but I respect **Buddhists** and all others.

Are you determined to enter **heaven** when the time comes?

Yes. I am not a **holy** man, but my **prayers** are

May your prayers be answered. live a happy life!

Words

Buddhism, Buddhist, Christian, Christianity, church, heaven, holy, Islam, meanwhile, Muslim, others, person, pray, prayer, regularly, religion, religious, respect, sincere

Phrases

go to church

religious person

pray regularly

determined to

enter heaven

when the time comes

holy man

May your prayers...

live a happy life

Housing

109. DO YOU HAVE YOUR OWN HOUSE?

Do you have your own house?

Yes, I do. What about you?

I'm **renting** an apartment.

Where is it

Where's your home?

On the **outskirts** of town.

Is it a big house?

No, it's small. I hope to buy a **bigger** one **sometime** in the future.

Words

bigger *form*: big), downtown, housing, locate, outskirts, rent, sometime

Phrases

your own house

rent an apartment

outskirts of town

big house

110. HOW MANY STORIES DOES YOUR HOUSE HAVE?

How many **stories** does your house have?

It's a **single-story** house.

Is it new or old?

It's new. It was built two years ago.

How many rooms are there?

Three. Two **bedrooms** and a living room in between.

Is there a

No, I put the car in the

Words

bedroom, garage, single-story, stories, story, yard

Phrases

single-story house

two years ago

two bedrooms

in between

in the yard

111. WHAT SIZE IS YOUR KITCHEN?

What **size** is your kitchen?

Small, but Yours?

It's **pretty** What stove do you have?

It's gas. You?

It's electric. How many **cabinets** are there in the kitchen?

Just one. It is **quite**

It's We have seven cabinets, but we don't have enough space!

Throw away all the **extra**

Words

cabinet, capacious, comfortable, extra, funny, pretty, quite, size, spacious, stuff, throw

Phrases

What size is...

pretty spacious

quite capacious

enough space

throw away

extra stuff

112. WHERE DO YOU STORE YOUR GROCERIES?

Where do you store your groceries?

In the **fridge** and the

Do you have a

No, we wash **dishes** in the sink.

What other equipment is there?

A **mixer** and a but it's broken!

Can it be fixed?

I don't know. I can do without it.

Words

dish, dishwasher, freezer, fridge, microwave, mixer

Phrases

Where do you store...

wash dishes

in the sink

it's (= it is) broken

do without

113. WHERE'S YOUR REFRIGERATOR?

Where's your

I've got two of them. One is **inside** the house and the other's in the garage.

Why is there a fridge in the garage?

I use it in I store **soft** drinks there.

It's too hot in the garage, isn't it?

Yes, but there's an **exit** to the I **pick** a juice box and go out into the fresh air.

Is there **shade** in the backyard?

There's a **roof** on It gives shade. In addition, there are **trees** with **thick**

Words

backyard, column, exit, inside, leaf, leaves, pick, refrigerator, roof, shade, soft, summer, thick, tree

Phrases

two of them

inside the house

in the garage

soft drink

an exit to the backyard

pick a juice box

go out into

thick leaves

114. DO YOU HAVE A DINING ROOM?

Do you have a dining room?

No, we eat in the kitchen. There's a table and a few

How many bathrooms do you have?

Just one.

Is there a

Yes, a small one. There are a few trees in the backyard.

Are there any **plants** in **front** of the house?

There's a I **adore** **especially**

Words

adore, chair, especially, flower, flowerbed, front, garden, plant, rose

Phrases

dining room

eat in the kitchen

a few chairs

just one

a few trees

in the backyard

in front of

adore flowers

especially roses

115. SWITCH ON THE LIGHT IN THE BATHROOM, PLEASE!

Switch on the light in the bathroom, please!

How? Shall I **push** and **release** this button?

No, it's a **fan** switch. The light switch is on the right.

Why is there a **rubber rug** near the

For you not to **slip** on the floor. As for the **inner surface** of the bath, it is not slippery.

Why are there **curtains** over the bath?

Those are shower curtains.

I see. They **contain** the water **within** the bath!

Words

bath, button, contain, curtain, fan, inner, push, release, rubber, rug, slip, surface, switch, thanks, within

Phrases

switch on

push and release

fan switch

light switch

rubber rug

for you not to

slip on the floor

inner surface of

over the bath

shower curtains

contain the water within

116. IS THERE ANY FURNITURE IN YOUR HALLWAY?

Is there any furniture in your

A **built-in** nothing else.

What's in the bedroom?

Beds, of course!

Anything else?

A chest of **drawers** and a

Is there a **sofa**

It's in the living room. I like to sit there and watch TV.

Words

anywhere, built-in, closet, drawer, hallway, sofa, wardrobe

Phrases

built-in closet

nothing else

in the bedroom

a chest of drawer

in the living room

I like to...

sit there

watch TV

117. WHAT DO YOU HAVE DOWNSTAIRS?

What do you have

An **indoor swimming** Its walls are **covered** with **marble**

Are there any

Yes. The **interior** is **decorated** with a wall

What size is the pool?

Its **length** is seven **meters** and its **width** is three and a half meters.

Do you have an **outdoor** pool?

Yes, it's in the backyard. There's a green **fence** around it.

Words

cover, decorate, decoration, downstairs, fence, indoor, interior, length, marble, meter, outdoor, painting, panel, pool, swimming, width

Phrases

swimming pool

indoor swimming pool

covered with

marble panel

decorated with

wall painting

three and a half

outdoor pool

green fence

around it

118. WHAT DO YOU HAVE UPSTAIRS?

What do you have

The **curved staircase** leads to my I work in the **comfort** of my home!

Don't **outer sounds bother** you?

I **shut** the door and draw the curtains. This removes any

Do you stay **indoors** for a long time?

Until my kids **knock** and ask to go

Is there an **attic** above your studio?

No, there's a **flat white** roof above the The white **color** reflects

Words

attic, bother, ceiling, color, comfort, curved, flat, indoors, knock, noise, outdoors, outer, reflect, shut, sound, staircase, studio, sunlight, upstairs, white

Phrases

curved staircase

lead to

in the comfort of

outer sound

shut the door

draw the curtains

remove noise

to go outdoors

119. WHO PAYS THE BILLS IN YOUR HOME?

Who pays the **bills** in your home?

I pay for water and electricity.

Are the **sums** huge?

It **depends** on the We pay more in

Do you use gas for

No, electricity. It's expensive. There is no gas **pipeline** in our

Is it **possible** to **reduce** costs?

Yes, if you use **firewood** or gas **instead** of electricity.

Words

bill, depend, firewood, heating, instead, pipeline, possible, reduce, region, season, sum, winter

Phrases

pay the bills

pay for

depend on

gas pipeline

in our region

reduce costs

use firewood

instead of

120. LOOK AT THIS GRAND COUNTRY HOUSE

Look at this **grand** country house. Would you like to take some **photos** against it?

Wow! Is this a **royal**

No, there is **neither king** nor **queen** in this country.

Who is the **owner** then? A drug A **civil servant** of high

I have no It's a **wealthy** People live in **luxury** here.

I'd like to take a **selfie** inside. Do they **accept**

Yes, if you're going to buy the house. It's for sale.

Let's **pretend** to be the I am a **princess** and you are a Ring the

Words

accept, bell, buyer, civil, grand, I'd = I would, king, lord, luxury, neighborhood, neither, notion, owner, palace, photo, pretend, prince, princess, queen, rank, royal, selfie, servant, visitor, wealthy

Phrases

country house

grand country house

take a photo

royal palace

neither king nor queen

in this country

drug lord

civil servant

high rank

wealthy neighborhood

live in luxury

take a selfie

accept visitors

121. WHO CAME INTO POSSESSION OF THE BUILDING?

Who came into **possession** of the building?

An **elderly** couple. The **former** owner **owed** them a **significant** amount.

Are they local

No, they live elsewhere.

Such people **commonly belong** to the **social**

I have a **similar** they are not from the **lower**

There's also an **alternative** What if they are

It can't be **ruled** out either. Watch them **closely** when they turn up here!

Words

alternative, belong, class, closely, commonly, elderly, elite, former, lower, opinion, owed, possession, possibility, resident, rule, significant, similar, social, surely, thief, thieves

Phrases

come into possession

elderly couple

former owner

significant amount

local resident

live elsewhere

belong to

social elite

similar opinion

lower class

alternative possibility

rule out

watch closely

turn up

Clothing

122. KIDS, STAND UP AND GET DRESSED FASTER!

Kids, **stand** up and get dressed faster!

We are dressed, dad.

Why are you wearing **odd**

I could not find the **paired**

Here they are. Daughter, your **skirt** is on back to front!

Not at all, it is on straight. The zip must be at the front.

Dad, your **sweater** is on inside out.

Exactly! Thanks for **pointing** this out!

Words

clothing, odd, paired, point, skirt, sock, stand, sweater

Phrases

stand up

odd socks

paired ones

back to front

at the front

inside out

pointing this out

123. ARE YOU DRESSED WARMLY?

Are you dressed

No, I'm cold.

Why didn't you put on a

I would have been hot.

Put on my jacket to get warm.

It's too big for me.

What is more **important** to you, **appearance** or health? Think about it!

Okay, give me the jacket. Thank you!

Words

appearance, coat, important, warmly

Phrases

dressed warmly

put on a coat

get warm

124. DARLING, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO BUY?

what are you going to buy?

A new **suit** and Shall I buy anything for you?

Trunks and socks, please.

What color?

Black or gray.

Anything else?

My **T-shirts** are **worn** out, too.

Okay, I'll buy you a white

Words

boot, darling, suit, trunk, trunks, t-shirt, worn *form*: wear)

Phrases

a new suit

worn out

a white T-shirt

125. DO YOU WASH YOUR UNDERWEAR YOURSELF?

Do you wash your **underwear** yourself?

Yes, once a week.

In the washing machine or with your hands?

It depends.

What does it depend on?

The amount of **dirty**

Is there a **dryer** in your machine?

No, I hang my underwear on the rope.

Words

clothes, dirty, dryer, underwear

Phrases

once a week

with your hands

it depends

dirty clothes

hang on the rope

126. DOES THIS HAT SUIT ME?

Does this **hat** suit me?

Yes, I like this style.

Does the dress fit me well?

No, it's too

Do you like the

Their **heels** are too low.

Look at those **shiny** shoes. Shall I try them on?

No, their heels are too high.

Words

fit, hat, heel, shiny, shoe, tight

Phrases

too tight

too low

shiny shoes

try them on

too high

127. WHAT COLOR IS THIS CAP?

What color is this

It's **Pure** purple.

What round **spot** is there at the front?

It's a **sticky** label.

Is it stuck fast to the cap?

Yes. it can be removed.

What is the **string** for?

It fastens the cap on your head. No wind will **blow** it away!

Words

blow, cap, label, pure, purple, spot, sticky, still, string

Phrases

pure purple

round spot

sticky label

stuck fast to

can be removed

blow away

128. HOW MUCH DOES THIS RED SHIRT COST?

How much does this red **shirt** cost?

Eleven dollars.

Why is it so cheap?

It is made of cheap

I see. How much is that **brown** one?

One hundred and **ninety-five** dollars.

Why is it so expensive?

It's a high **quality**

Words

brown, fabric, item, ninety-five, quality, shirt

Phrases

red shirt

eleven dollars

be made of

cheap fabric

high quality

129. WHY ARE THESE JEANS RIPPED?

Why are **these jeans**

It was **fashionable** in the past.

Why don't you throw them away?

They can go back into

You're **forty** now! Are you going to wear them?

Why not? They can be worn at any

What if you **grow** They will be tight for you!

No, I don't think so. I can go on a **diet** and **lose**

Words

diet, fashion, fashionable, forty, grow, jeans, lose, plump, rip, ripped, these, weight

Phrases

in the past

go back into fashion

grow plump

tight for you

I don't think so

go on a diet

lose weight

130. COULD YOU CHANGE YOUR CLOTHES?

Could you change your clothes?

What's **wrong** with my appearance?

Your **blue** jeans. Take them off. Put on your black

What else don't you like?

The **colored** shirt. Put on the white one instead. Also, a **tie** and a jacket.

Look at me now. What do you think of my shoes?

Take off those **hiking** boots! Put on the black shoes.

That's all! I'm dressed in black and white. Can we go to the **theater** now?

Words

blue, colored, hiking, theater, tie, trousers, wrong

Phrases

change clothes

What's (= What is) wrong with...

colored shirt

think of

take off

dressed in

131. HOW DO I ORDER CLOTHES ONLINE?

How do I **order** clothes online? **Explain** the **process** in

I cannot give a **detailed** The process depends on the

Okay, don't go into What **typical actions** are required?

you choose **whether** you are **male** or

it's female in my What else?

Before that, you must **measure** yourself.

What **measurements** do I need to take?

waist and

Words

action, breast, detail, detailed, explain, explanation, female, height, hip, instance, male, measure, measurement, obviously, order, process, site, typical, typically, waist, whether

Phrases

order online

in detail

detailed explanation

go into details

typical action

male or female

in my instance

before that

measure yourself

132. YOUR SLEEVES ARE WRINKLED AT THE BEND OF THE ELBOW

Your **sleeves** are **wrinkled** at the **bend** of the

This is It **wrinkles** easily when the elbow is And if you **fold** it,
creases

Yes, I can see the **folding** lines. If we **compare** cotton and which
one is better?

Silk, I think.

What if **wool** is **included** in the

It does not **wrinkle** easily. Besides, wool is a **wonderful** option for
cold

Are you going to **iron** this shirt?

No, I will just **hide** the I will **roll** up the sleeves!

Words

appear, bend, bent, compare, comparison, cotton, crease, elbow, flaw, fold, folding, hide, include, included, iron, roll, silk, sleeve, weather, wonderful, wool, wrinkle, wrinkled

Phrases

at the bend of the elbow

wrinkle easily

creases appear

folding line

compare cotton and silk

a wonderful option

for cold weather

iron this shirt

hide the flaws

roll up the sleeves

Appearance

133. IS YOUR BOYFRIEND TALL?

Is your boyfriend

Yeah, but his parents are

Is he

Yes, very much. Would you like to see his

Show it to me.

I have a **whole gallery** of **portraits** on my phone. Have a look!

This one? I think he's

You're wrong. He's

Words

attractive, gallery, handsome, picture, portrait, short, tall, ugly, whole

Phrases

a whole gallery

on my phone

have a look

134. IS YOUR GIRLFRIEND PRETTY?

Is your girlfriend pretty?

She's a **beauty** with **blond hair** and blue eyes.

Is she **fat** or

Neither. She's **average** size.

Do you have a picture of her?

No, but I've got a Have a look!

Yes, she's pretty, but why does she walk like a

Don't be She walks like a queen!

Words

average, beauty, blond, duck, fat, hair, silly, thin, video

Phrases

blond hair

blue eyes

fat or thin

average size

a picture of her

walk like a duck

135. WHY HAVE YOU CUT YOUR HAIR?

Why have you **cut** your hair?

A short **haircut suits** me.

I think long hair is better.

It's harder to

Your head **seems** to be too small now!

It used to **seem** too big.

Did your husband like the haircut?

He **hasn't seen** it yet.

Words

comb, cut, haircut, hasn't = has not, seem, seen *form: see*)

Phrases

cut your hair

short haircut

long hair

seems to be too small

used to seem too big

136. DO THESE SUNGLASSES SUIT ME?

Do these **sunglasses** suit me?

I don't think so. They're for a **square**

I have an **oval** one.

Well, it's **almost** round.

What about **heart-shaped** glasses?

They would suit a **triangular** face.

So which glasses should I choose?

Any ones you like!

Words

almost, face, heart-shaped, oval, square, sunglasses, triangular

Phrases

for a square face

almost round

heart-shaped glasses

triangular face

137. WHAT DOES A PERFECT WOMAN'S FACE LOOK LIKE?

What does a **perfect** woman's face look like?

Everyone has their own

Describe your own!

Almond-shaped eyes, red

Is the **mouth** big or small?

Normal. **Smooth** soft

What about the

Straight and narrow. The **Greek** one!

Words

almond-shaped, cheek, describe, Greek, ideal, lip, mouth, nose,
perfect, smooth, teeth, tooth

Phrases

a perfect woman's face

their own ideal

almond-shaped eyes

red cheeks

smooth teeth

soft lips

straight and narrow

138. WHY ARE YOU WEARING SUCH LONG HAIR?

Why are you wearing such long hair?

To cover my

Do you have a **skin** problem?

No, I like that style.

Do you **pluck** your

No, they are thin by

Your **eyelashes** are thick. Are they

No, they're too!

Words

eyebrow, eyelash, false, forehead, natural, nature, pluck, skin

Phrases

wear long hair

cover my forehead

skin problem

pluck your eyebrows

thin by nature

139. DO THESE EARRINGS LOOK GOOD?

Do these **earrings** look good?

Yes, they suit your

Is this **necklace** right for me?

No, it's too thick. You have a thin

What about the

It isn't either. You have thin arms!

Then what am I going to wear on my

Put on your

Words

bracelet, ear, earring, neck, necklace, wrist, wristwatch

Phrases

right for me

thin neck

thin arms

to wear on my wrist

140. WHAT IS A PERFECT BODY?

What is a perfect

It's a body that has correct

What does the ideal of a man look like?

He has **broad shoulders** and a narrow waist.

What about the ideal of a woman?

She has a narrow waist and wide hips.

Do long legs and arms look good?

Yes, if they're not too long!

Words

broad, proportion, shoulder

Phrases

narrow waist

wide hips

long legs and arms

141. DO YOU USE MAKEUP A LOT?

Do you use **makeup** a lot?

All the time. I'm wearing makeup now.

Do you use creams?

Yes, **moisturizing** and **tonal** ones.

Do you **apply shadows** to your

Of course I do. Then I put **mascara** on my eyelashes.

Do you **paint** your lips, too?

Yes, with red

Words

apply, eyelid, lipstick, makeup, mascara, moisturizing, paint, shadow, tonal

Phrases

use makeup

wearing makeup

use creams

apply shadows to

put mascara on

paint your lips

142. I ADMIRE YOUR FIGURE

I **admire** your It is

Are you My figure is I am too

I Though you are **relatively** lean, you have good proportions.

I am **pleased** to hear that from you. It's a **surprise** to me.

Why are you

Normally you **praise** neither me nor anyone else.

Really? I was not **aware** of that. What about my Do I need to lose weight?

No, you have a **neat** figure.

Words

admire, aware, awful, blind, disagree, figure, incredible, lean, neat, normally, pleased, praise, relatively, shape, surprise, surprised

Phrases

relatively lean

have good proportions

pleased to hear

a surprise to

neither me nor anyone else

aware of

neat figure

143. I DON'T LIKE LOOSE HAIR

I don't like **loose** hair. Shall I **expose** my forehead?

Your forehead is Why **reveal** it?

I want to improve my looks.

You don't need improvement!

I can give an **accurate description** of my It is **incredibly**

No. You have **curly** hair. It's in good

My hair **roots** are I must cut my hair short.

Oh no! It's a **crazy** idea!

Words

accurate, condition, crazy, curly, description, expose, hairstyle, incredibly, loose, pale, reveal, root, scary, weak

Phrases

loose hair

expose my forehead

improve my looks

need improvement

accurate description of

incredibly scary

curly hair

in good condition

Oh no!

a crazy idea

144. HAVE YOU TRIED ON THIS BELT?

Have you **tried** on this

Yes, it is too I broke my **nail trying** to fasten it.

It requires **minor** Let me show how to do it.

I know how but the belt **holes** are too Besides, I don't like the **pointed**

It's an **individual** Please **select another design** on the **display** stand. We have **reasonable** prices for any A wide **selection** of belts!

I have **viewed** them all, and **guess** what? They have more **similarities** than differences.

Have a look at this purple belt.

Wow, it's I did not **notice** it before!

Words

another, belt, buckle, choice, design, display, effort, extraordinary, guess, hole, individual, minor, nail, notice, pocket, pointed, reasonable, select, selection, similarity, stiff, strange, tiny, tried
form: try), view

Phrases

Let me show how to...

pointed buckle

an individual choice

select another design

reasonable prices

for any pocket

a wide selection of

guess what

Feelings and Emotions

145. DO YOU LOVE ME?

Do you love me?

Of course I do. Do you have any

Yes. You rarely **talk** to me about love.

Do I have to talk about it? Don't you feel my love?

I feel it, but not always.

I'm used to holding back emotions.

Learn to **express** them!

I'll give it a try. I... Love... You!

Words

doubt, emotion, express, talk

Phrases

have doubts

rarely talk about

feel love

hold back emotions

learn to express

give it a try

146. YOU LOOK ANGRY. WHY?

You look Why?

I hate my boyfriend.

What's going on?

I **saw** him with another woman.

What were they doing?

They were **chatting** in the street. I **wonder** how much time he **spent** talking to her!

He spends all his free time with you. Maybe you're too

Yes, I love him too much.

Words

angry, chat, jealous, saw, spent *form*: spend), wonder

Phrases

I wonder...

spend time talking to

spend time with

147. HOW DO YOU FEEL AFTER THE WORKOUT?

How do you feel after the

Great, thank you! And you?

Great, too.

Unlikely. You look

I'm just tired.

Don't tell Did **someone** hurt you?

Actually, yes. The **coach** was **rude** with me.

He should no **matter** what you did!

Words

apologize, coach, lies, matter, rude, someone, upset, workout

Phrases

How do you feel?

look upset

tell lies

hurt someone

be rude with

no matter what

148. WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!

We are **proud** of you!

Are you **kidding** me? I finished third!

That's right! You're the **bronze medal**

I should have been the first.

Other **athletes** are jealous of you.

It doesn't calm me down.

Next time you can **win**

I don't want to be second. I need

Words

athlete, bronze, gold, kidding, medal, proud, silver, win, winner

Phrases

be proud of

finish third

bronze medal winner

be jealous of

win silver

need gold

149. DO YOU KNOW HOW TO EXPRESS EMOTIONS ON STAGE?

Do you know how to express emotions on

It's What emotions, for example?

Joy or

I can **laugh** easily. **Ha** ha ha!

What if you have to express

I'll make a **sad** face.

How do you express your

I can **burst** into **tears** at any moment!

Words

burst, compassion, easy, grief, ha, happiness, joy, laugh, sad, stage, tear

Phrases

express compassion

sad face

express grief

burst into tears

at any moment

150. WHY ARE YOU CRYING?

Why are you

These are tears of joy.

What made you so happy?

I got a **role** in a movie!

Congratulations! Is that the main role?

No, but it **wasn't** easy to get.

I hope you can become a **famous** A movie

Thank you. I'll do my best!

Words

actress, cry, famous, role, star, wasn't = was not

Phrases

tears of joy

a role in a movie

the main role

easy to get

become a famous actress

movie star

do my best

151. ARE YOU JEALOUS OF THE RICH AND FAMOUS?

Are you jealous of the **rich** and famous?

No, I **envy smart** people.

Why be smart?

Clever people can **achieve** their

What are your goals?

I want to be a famous

What's that going to give you?

Glory and money!

Words

achieve, clever, envy, glory, goal, rich, scientist, smart

Phrases

envy smart people

Why be...

clever people

achieve a goal

famous scientist

glory and money

152. YOUR DOG ANNOYS ME

Your dog **annoys** me.

What is **annoying** about her?

She makes a mess **wherever** she comes. Today she made it in our living room.

What did she do?

She **tore apart** a sofa. Imagine the

Were there **feathers** all over the room?

Exactly. I **shouted** at her, but she was not **even**

You look annoyed. Such little things should not **affect** you!

Words

affect, annoy, annoying, apart, ashamed, consequence, cushion, even, feather, relax, shout, tore, wherever

Phrases

annoying about

make a mess

tear apart

sofa cushion

all over the room

shout at

be ashamed

look annoyed

little things

153. WHAT WAS THE WORST DAY OF YOUR LIFE?

What was the **worst** day of your life?

It's an **embarrassing**

Try to answer it Don't be

One day I **realized** that life is short. I was deeply

I see. What was the best day?

The day when I **proposed** to my wife.

You hardly **knew** each other. Why did she accept your

It has always been a **mystery** to me.

Words

anyway, depress, embarrass, embarrassing, knew *form*: know),
mystery, proposal, propose, question, realize, worst

Phrases

the worst day

embarrassing question

be embarrassed

life is short

deeply depressed

the best day

propose to

hardly know

accept a proposal

a mystery to me

154. SADLY, THE HOLIDAYS ARE OVER

the **holidays** are over. It's a **pity** they can't last

In I am **excited** about going back to work.

Are you? I wonder what is so **exciting** about your job?

I am never **bored** there. Each new day is **different** from the **previous** one.

Did you not enjoy the holidays?

They were This happens to me every year.

You have a strange **approach** to life. I am **worried** about you!

Don't worry. I am **grateful** to God for what I have.

Words

approach, bored, depressing, different, excite, excited, exciting, fact, forever, grateful, holiday, pity, previous, sadly, worried *form: worry*)

Phrases

the holidays are over

it's a pity

last forever

in fact

be excited about

go back to work

be exciting about

be never bored

each new day

different from

enjoy the holidays

every year

a strange approach to

be worried about

don't (= do not) worry

be grateful to... for

155. WHY DID YOU HONK AT THE TRUCK DRIVER?

Why did you **honk** at the **truck** driver? Was it a greeting?

No, it was an **expression** of

I didn't notice what had happened. Did he **create** a dangerous

He tried to go first. An **impatient** driver!

Have you been patient? Why are you

I hate **aggressive** driving.

Was it **offensive** to you

It was not. Okay, I **acknowledge** my mistake. It was **stupid** of me to get

Words

acknowledge, aggressive, anger, create, expression, honk, impatient, mad, nervous, offensive, personally, situation, stupid, truck

Phrases

honk at

truck driver

expression of anger

create a dangerous situation

go first

impatient driver

be patient

be nervous

hate aggressive driving

be offensive to

156. WHY DID YOUR COUSIN RUSH OUT OF THE ROOM?

Why did your cousin rush out of the room?

She saw a She has a **fear** of

Do any other **animal species** **frighten** her?

She is not scared of snakes, but is **frightened** by

This is not Frogs are **frightening**

As for my male cousin, he is not afraid of any animals.

Is he a very **brave** man?

He is a **wildlife** He only **lacks courage** when it comes to

Words

animal, brave, courage, creature, fear, frighten, frightened, frightening, frog, lack, researcher, species, spider, surprising, wildlife, women

Phrases

rush out of

fear of spiders

animal species

be frightened by

frightening creatures

male cousin

brave man

wildlife researcher

lack courage

when it comes to

157. I AM AMAZED BY YOUR NIECE'S INTELLIGENCE

I am **amazed** by your **niece's**

No doubt, she is an **intelligent** girl. What **impresses** you in

She **remembers** all **historical** dates!

Yes, this is a **truly impressive**

What is even more she can make **logical**

That is why she chose **philosophy** as a

Your nephew **impressed** me, too. He has good knowledge of

He has a **passion** for He has read hundreds of

Words

ability, amazed, book, conclusion, historical, impress, impressive, intelligence, intelligent, literature, logical, major, particular, passion, philosophy, reading, remember, truly, valuable

Phrases

amazed by

no doubt

in particular

truly impressive

What is even more...

make logical conclusions

that is why

have good knowledge of

have a passion for

hundreds of books

158. ARE YOU DISAPPOINTED WITH THE DINNER PARTY?

Are you **disappointed** with the dinner

To the contrary, I am **satisfied** with it. There was nothing **disappointing** about it.

What **impression** did my uncle leave?

He has a **pleasant** He seems to be a very **emotional** person!

He really is like that. What do you think of my aunt?

She never laughed. Does she have a **sense** of

She does, but she feels **shame** at the sound of her She thinks it is **unpleasant** or even

Now I am shocked. I think her opinion of herself is

Words

disappoint, disappointing, emotional, humor, impression, laughter, party, pleasant, satisfied, satisfy, sense, shame, smile, terrible, unfair, unpleasant

Phrases

be disappointed with

to the contrary

be satisfied with

nothing disappointing

about it

leave an impression

pleasant smile

emotional person

have a sense of humor

feel shame at

be shocked

opinion of

159. YOU SEEM TO BE IN A BAD MOOD

You seem to be in a bad mood. What's wrong?

My girlfriend **blew** me a **kiss** this morning. She was in a holiday mood.

Why are you **concerned** about it?

Usually she kisses me **goodbye** on the cheek and looks **unhappy** as I leave.

I am **certain** it is a **positive** change!

How do you know whether it is positive or

She was **willing** to **arouse** your Just a **trick** to be more attractive to you!

I am not **confident** this was the reason. I **dislike** the change in her

Words

arouse, behavior, blew, certain, concern, confident, dislike, excitement, goodbye, kiss, mood, negative, positive, trick, unhappy, willing

Phrases

in a bad mood

blow a kiss

this morning

in a holiday mood

be concerned about

kiss goodbye

kiss on the cheek

look unhappy

positive change

positive or negative

arouse excitement

be attractive to

dislike the change

160. YOU DO NOT LOOK GLOOMY ANYMORE

You do not look **gloomy** Can I **conclude** from it that you have **found** a new love?

I have. **Despite** many differences between us, he is a **kindred**

Congratulations! I hope you will live **happily**

We'll see. I have a **strong desire** to **enhance** my life.

If you **strongly** desire something, it happens. The desire will be satisfied.

I did not believe in it before. I was in a **desperate position** after the divorce.

I know. It's such a **relief** you are not **lonely** anymore. It was **painful** to see you unhappy!

Thanks. I am starting to feel like my old **self** again.

Words

anymore, conclude, desire, desperate, despite, enhance, found
form: find), gloomy, happily, kindred, lonely, painful, position, relief,
self, soul, strong, strongly, together, we'll = we shall/will

Phrases

look gloomy

conclude from

a new love

differences between

kindred soul

live together

strong desire

believe in

in a desperate position

after the divorce

such a relief

my old self

Traits

161. IS YOUR MOTHER A KIND WOMAN?

Is your mother a kind woman?

Not only kind, but also smart!

Do you **share** your problems with her?

Yes, and she knows how to be

How does she help you?

She gives **advice** and expresses

Don't you depend on her too much?

No, I'm quite

Words

advice, independent, share, sympathy, trait, useful

Phrases

share problems with

give advice

express sympathy

quite independent

162. IS YOUR DAD A TOUGH MAN?

Is your dad a **tough** man?

No, he just looks tough.

What is he really like?

Friendly and

How does he **behave** in case of

He **acts** in a **quick** and **decisive**

Does he have any problems

Sometimes he's He forgets and loses things!

Words

act, behave, cheerful, danger, decisive, distract, friendly, himself, manner, quick, tough

Phrases

tough man

look tough

friendly and cheerful

act in a quick manner

act in a decisive manner

be distracted

forget things

lose things

163. IS YOUR HUSBAND A RELIABLE MAN?

Is your husband a **reliable** man?

Yes, I **trust** him.

What is your trust **based** on?

He always does what he

Has he ever **cheated** on you with another woman?

Of course not! He's a **loyal** husband.

How do you know?

He's too **honest** to lie.

Words

base, cheat, honest, loyal, promise, reliable, trust

Phrases

reliable man

trust him

based on

cheat on... with

loyal husband

too honest to lie

164. WHAT IS YOUR WIFE'S CHARACTER?

What is your wife's

She's **caring** and

How does she **treat** other people?

She's **polite** and

Do you often

This happens sometimes, but we make **peace** quickly.

Is she more **hot-tempered** than you are?

No, she's more

Words

caring, character, gentle, hot-tempered, peace, polite, quarrel,
relaxed, sociable, treat

Phrases

caring and gentle

treat people

polite and sociable

make peace

165. ARE YOU AN AMBITIOUS PERSON?

Are you an **ambitious** person?

Yes, I want to achieve a lot in life. I have a lot of

What are your goals?

I want to work for the

What qualities do you have for this?

Persistence and

What qualities are you

I've got everything I need!

Words

ambition, ambitious, government, miss, persistence, self-confidence

Phrases

ambitious person

work for the government

persistence and self-confidence

I've got...

everything I need

166. IS YOUR BOSS AN ACTIVE PERSON?

Is your **boss** an **active** person?

Yes, he's a man of action.

Does he **punish** lazy

Only when it's **absolutely**

Does he **encourage** you for good work?

Yes, he gives us It is a pleasure to work with him!

Would you like to take his place?

Well, why not? I did it already when he was on holiday.

Words

absolutely, active, bonus, boss, encourage, lazy, necessary, punish, worker

Phrases

active person

man of action

punish workers

absolutely necessary

encourage for

give bonuses

It is a pleasure to...

work with

take his place

was on holiday

167. WHAT QUALITIES DO YOU RESPECT IN PEOPLE?

What qualities do you respect in people?

Honesty and ability for hard work.

What people do you hate?

Fools and Plus those who are always on the phone.

How do you **communicate** with rude people?

In no way. I try to **avoid** them.

What if you're being

I **fight** back

Words

avoid, being, communicate, fight, fool, honesty, immediately, insult, liar

Phrases

respect in

ability for hard work

fools and liars

be on the phone

communicate with

be insulted

fight back

168. MY GRANDMOTHER HAS STRANGE BELIEFS

My grandmother has strange

As far as I know, she has **faith** in God. To my mind, this is common.

She also believes in

This is also an **ordinary** thing. Many people believe in

She used to say that television is the root of all We **argued** a lot on the matter.

Did you **convince** her she was wrong?

Yes. Now she thinks that **artificial** intelligence is the real evil.

A **wise** lady! I am also convinced that we live in a I have much in common with your

Words

apparently, argue, artificial, belief, convince, evil, faith, ghost, granny, lady, matrix, ordinary, spirit, wise

Phrases

strange beliefs

have faith in

to my mind

believe in ghosts

ordinary thing

believe in spirits

the root of all evil

on the matter

wise lady

be convinced that

have much in common with

169. MY GRANDFATHER CONSTANTLY CREATES PROBLEMS

My grandfather **constantly** creates problems.

Do neighbors have **complaints** about his

No, but I do. He is a **careless** person. He has a **habit** of **leaving** the door

This is **characteristic** for the elderly.

Most others lock doors Besides, he is too

Does he **donate** a lot to

No, but he **lends** money to people **whenever** they ask. He has never **demanded** It's his **moral**

He is a real By the way, I would like to borrow a small sum from him!

Words

automatically, careless, characteristic, charity, complaint, conduct, constantly, demand, donate, generous, gentleman, habit, interest, leaving, lend, moral, principle, unlock, unlocked, whenever

Phrases

create problems

have complaints about

careless person

have a habit of

characteristic for

donate to charity

lend money to

demand interest

moral principle

real gentleman

borrow a sum from

170. DO NOT MAKE ME DELIVER A SPEECH BEFORE THE AUDIENCE

Do not make me **deliver** a **speech** before the

Why not? You are an experienced worker. You have a good

I am not **capable** of **speaking** in

You are. You just lack Change your

Easier said than Yes, I'd like to **acquire** confidence. Tell me how.
It would be

Never speak in a **quiet** Your voice must be

This might **disturb** other people. Such conduct would not be

If you speak you will **gradually** stop being

Words

acquire, audience, capable, confidence, deliver, disturb, done *form*: do), easier, ethical, gradually, helpful, loud, loudly, public, quiet, reputation, said *form*: say), shy, speaking, speech, thinking, voice

Phrases

deliver a speech

before the audience

experienced worker

good reputation

be capable of

speaking in public

lack confidence

easier said than done

acquire confidence

speak in a quiet voice

disturb other people

speak loudly

stop being shy

171. YOUR UNCLE HAS A LIVELY PERSONALITY

Your uncle has a **lively** Would you like to be like him?

Although I like some of his traits, he is not my

He has a sense of humor, doesn't he?

It would not be **fair** to **deny** it. He could write **humorous** stories.

Is he a man of

No, he is a **dishonest** person. He does not **hesitate** to lie.

Aren't you too **cruel** to him?

This is my **personal frank** opinion. He must be **responsible** for his actions.

Words

although, cruel, deny, dishonest, fair, frank, hero, hesitate, honor, humorous, lively, personal, personality, responsible, write

Phrases

lively personality

be like him

not my hero

It would not be fair...

to deny it

humorous stories

a man of honor

a dishonest person

does not hesitate to lie

too cruel to

personal frank opinion

be responsible for

172. ROMANTIC PEOPLE ARE TOO SENSITIVE, AREN'T THEY?

Romantic people are too aren't they?

I haven't thought about it. It's an **interesting** thought.

They often show their **enthusiasm** for no **apparent** reason.

Maybe. How does it **relate** to me?

In no way. To my this **relates** to myself.

This is true, I You are **clearly** a romantic, not a

This concerns me. Could you give me a **sensible** advice how to change myself?

I think it's Just try to be **less**

Words

admit, apparent, clearly, enthusiasm, enthusiastic, impossible, interesting, less, realist, regret, relate, romantic, sensible, sensitive

Phrases

romantic people

too sensitive

interesting thought

show enthusiasm

for no apparent reason

relate to

to my regret

I admit

clearly a romantic, not a realist

sensible advice

change myself

be less enthusiastic

173. DO MOST WOMEN PREFER SILENT MEN?

Do most women prefer **silent**

Yes, such **guys** seem to be

If a woman **screams** at such a man, does he **respond** in any way?

He says a few **words quietly** or even keeps

Do silent people **possess** the ability to fly into a

Yes, you can engage them in an I don't **advise** to do it.

I I prefer a relaxed

Me too. Friendly **communication** is never

Words

advise, argument, atmosphere, boring, communication, guy, men, mysterious, possess, quietly, rage, respond, scream, silence, silent, word, wouldn't = would not

Phrases

prefer silent men

seem to be mysterious

scream at

say a few words quietly

keep silence

possess the ability to

fly into a rage

engage them in an argument

advise to do

relaxed atmosphere

friendly communication

is never boring

Relations

174. DO YOU GET ON WITH YOUR PARENTS?

Do you get on with your parents?

yes.

Do you **understand** each other?

Not always. They're a little

Do you have quarrels with them?

Pretty rarely.

Who starts the quarrels?

The one who has lost The best thing to do is stay calm,
whatever the situation.

Words

basically, old-fashioned, patience, relation, understand, whatever

Phrases

get on with

understand each other

a little old-fashioned

have quarrels with

start a quarrel

lose patience

stay calm

whatever the situation

175. WHAT IS THE PERFECT MARRIAGE?

What is the perfect marriage?

It means that husband and wife live in **harmony** with each other.

Do you believe that this happens?

I think it is not

Do you have any problems in your marriage?

Mostly not, but sometimes yes.

Would you like to get a divorce?

By no means. My marriage is not perfect, but it is happy!

Words

fantasy, harmony, mostly

Phrases

perfect marriage

live in harmony with

get a divorce

by no means

176. ARE YOU CHEATING ON ME?

Are you cheating on me?

Of course not!

I don't believe you.

What's the reason?

You've been **coming** home late recently.

I'm just too **busy** at work.

Are you not

I'm telling you the truth, believe me!

Words

busy, coming *form*: come), lying *form*: lie), you've = you have

Phrases

cheat on

come home late

busy at work

tell the truth

believe me

177. I'M A SOCIABLE TYPE, AND YOU?

I'm a sociable and you? Do you make friends easily?

(The other person **shakes** his head

So you're a **reserved** person. What stops you from

(The person **shrugs** his shoulders.)

Do you want some advice?

(The person **nods** back.)

Dial a **random** phone number, make a phone call and try to talk on the phone to a stranger.

No problem. I can do it right now... or **someday** next year.

Words

changing, negatively, nod, random, rather, reserved, shake, shrug, someday

Phrases

sociable type

shake one's head

reserved person

stop you from changing

shrug one's shoulders

nod back

random phone number

make a phone call

talk on the phone to

next year

178. HAVE YOU HAD ANY CONFLICTS AT WORK?

Have you had any **conflicts** at work?

Yes, conflicts occur from time to time.

Do you try to **prevent** them?

Of course I do. they are

What causes

The reasons are different. A **strained** for example.

How do you **resolve** a conflict?

I **focus** on the problem, not the person.

Words

conflict, disagreement, focus, inevitable, prevent, relationship,
resolve, strain, strained, unfortunately

Phrases

have a conflict

from time to time

try to prevent

cause disagreement

strained relationship

resolve a conflict

179. LET US NOT ANNOUNCE OUR WEDDING ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

Let us not **announce** our wedding on social

I **beg** your

This will **attract** too much attention.

That is what **announcements** are for!

Our wedding is a **private** We need to protect our

Who do you want to **notify** then? Give me a

Only those **related** to us by blood or marriage.

This is a **harmful** idea. We must **reject** it. I don't want to **offend** my old friends!

Words

affair, announce, announcement, attract, beg, clue, harmful, media, notify, offend, pardon, privacy, private, reject, related

Phrases

announce our wedding

on social media

I beg your pardon

attract attention

private affair

protect privacy

give me a clue

related to

harmful idea

180. PLEASE TAKE NO OFFENSE, BUT I ALWAYS CONFUSE YOU WITH YOUR SISTER

Please take no but I always **confuse** you with your sister.

Everybody does. It's a **familiar** situation for me. Don't be confused!

This is my I should learn to **recognize** you.

That is hard, **particularly** when we are **similarly** dressed.

Yeah, it is also Your appearances are almost

No one can **detect** differences in our **facial** There are some, though!

Do me a me what is our mistake.

You **concentrate** on **matching** features, **whereas** they should be

Words

concentrate, confuse, confusing, detect, facial, familiar, fault, favor, feature, identical, ignored, matching, offense, particularly, recognize, similarly, whereas

Phrases

take no offense

confuse with

familiar situation

be confused

similarly dressed

detect differences

facial features

do me a favor

concentrate on

matching features

181. THEY SAY MEN DOMINATE WOMEN IN OUR SOCIETY

They say men **dominate** women in our Is it true?

Yes, it's a **serious** social Women **deserve** better.

How do you know? Can you **refer** to any sources of information?

What **reply** do you want from me? It's common knowledge!

Do you have a husband or a

I have a spouse. We are **lucky** to have each other in our life.

Would you like to **complain** about him? For example, does he try to **persuade** you to change yourself? Or—

I must **interrupt** you. Your survey is **becoming** too personal. This **dialogue** is over. Goodbye!

Words

becoming, complain, deserve, dialogue, dominate, information, interrupt, issue, lucky, partner, persuade, refer, reply, serious, society, sorry, survey

Phrases

men dominate women

social issue

deserve better

refer to

source of information

common knowledge

be lucky to

complain about

persuade to

182. DO YOU BELIEVE IN FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN MEN AND WOMEN?

Do you believe in **friendship** between men and women?

Yes, friendship is a It is **given** without **expectation** of anything in return.

What if someone **regards** another a **potential**

He or she must **refuse** to reveal their feelings. True friendship must be

Don't you think it is

No, it is setting

What if they cannot **resist** the

In that case, they should get ready for a negative

Words

appreciate, expectation, friendship, gift, given, hypocrisy, lover, potential, priority, reaction, refuse, regard, resist, temptation

Phrases

friendship between men and women

expectation of

potential lover

setting priorities

resist the temptation

in that case

get ready for

negative reaction

183. DO YOU SPEAK TO YOUR FELLOW WORKERS ABOUT YOUR FAMILY AFFAIRS?

Do you speak to your **fellow** workers about your family affairs?

Only to those who I can **rely** on. I don't want any

Come on! Are you sensitive to **critical**

Yes, especially if they are made in a rude

For some people, being rude is the **favorite** behavior How do you fight it?

In an **indirect** way. I never **insist** on my point of view.

What do you do then?

I just ignore personal questions. **Eventually** the people leave me alone.

Words

critical, eventually, favorite, fellow, gossip, ignore, indirect, insist, pattern, rely, remark, tone

Phrases

fellow worker

family affair

rely on

sensitive to critical remarks

in a rude tone

favorite behavior pattern

In an indirect way

insist on

point of view

ignore personal questions

leave me alone

Cooking

184. DO YOU LIKE COOKING?

Do you like

I hate cooking. You?

I do. I **learnt** how to cook from my

Do you know how to make

I know how to make it, but I prefer to order it.

What dishes do you cook yourself?

Various ones. **Chicken** for example.

Oh, that's my favorite dish!

Words

chicken, learnt *form*: learn), mum, noodle, pizza

Phrases

like cooking

hate cooking

learn from

learn how to cook from

make pizza

chicken noodles

favorite dish

185. WHAT WILL WE HAVE FOR BREAKFAST?

What will we have for breakfast?

What do you want?

I don't care. Oatmeal, for example.

Do you want oatmeal with

Yes, with

What will you drink? **Tea** or coffee?

Coffee with **cream** and

That's good. Breakfast will be ready in ten minutes!

Words

cream, fruit, strawberry, sugar, tea

Phrases

I don't care

oatmeal with fruit

tea or coffee

coffee with cream

in ten minutes

186. WHAT IS OUR MOTHER COOKING FOR LUNCH?

What is our mother cooking for lunch?

Fish soup for the first course.

It's What about the second course?

Vegetables and

What kind of meat?

Fried

What kind of vegetables?

Tomato and **cucumber**

Words

cucumber, delicious, fish, fried, meat, salad, soup, tomato, veal, vegetable

Phrases

fish soup

the first course

the second course

fried veal

187. HOW DO YOU MAKE THE SALAD?

How do you make the salad?

First, I **slice** cucumbers and tomatoes.

Where do you place them after slicing?

In a large

Do you **add** any **olive** oil?

Yes, and a little

What about salt and

I add them, too. Then I **toss** the salad. The **ingredients** should be **mixed** well!

Words

add, bowl, ingredient, mix, olive, pepper, slice, toss, vinegar

Phrases

slice cucumbers

add oil

add olive oil

salt and pepper

toss the salad

188. WHAT ARE WE GOING TO HAVE FOR DINNER?

What are we going to have for dinner?

Fried

Can you **fry** the

Yes, if you **peel** them.

All right, I'll peel them!

What does your brother want for dinner?

Boiled potatoes.

Okay, let's make two **potato** dishes at once!

Words

boil, egg, fry, peel, potato

Phrases

fry the potatoes

boiled potatoes

potato dish

189. WHAT A DELICIOUS SMELL!

What a delicious What is this?

My sister **bakes** a cake in the

What kind of cake is that?

A **chocolate** cake with

What ingredients does she use?

Flour, eggs, sugar, salt and **cocoa** powder.

What berries?

Your favorite strawberries and

Words

bake, berry, chocolate, cocoa, oven, raspberry

Phrases

delicious smell

chocolate cake

cocoa powder

strawberries and raspberries

190. WHAT IS BOILING IN THE POT?

What is boiling in the

Meat and **rice** soup.

What is frying in the

Eggplants and tomatoes.

What's in the oven?

A young

How are we going to eat all of this?

We're going to have quite a lot of guests

Words

eggplant, pan, pot, rice, tonight, turkey

Phrases

meat and rice soup

in the pan

in the oven

all of this

quite a lot of

191. DON'T TOUCH THE KETTLE! IT'S HOT!

Don't **touch** the It's hot!

I know. The **steel** surface is hot. The **plastic lid** is not.

Why have you opened the lid?

To see if the kettle is

I only put a **full** kettle on the fire. Is the water boiling yet?

I don't see any but the water is hot enough. Why boil it at all?

It will **kill** all harmful

They are all **dead** for sure. Let's make tea!

Words

bacteria, bubble, dead, empty, full, kettle, kill, lid, plastic, steel, touch

Phrases

don't touch

steel surface

plastic lid

full kettle

on the fire

Why boil...

harmful bacteria

for sure

192. DEAR CHEF, SHALL I HELP YOU COOK MEAT SAUCE?

Dear shall I help you cook meat

Sure. Take a **sharp** knife.

Is this one sharp enough?

Yes. Now use it to **separate** meat from the

Okay. Was it a I mean, is it

No, it was a it is

What do I do with the bone now?

Get **rid** of it. Throw the bone to the dog!

Words

dear, chef, sauce, sharp, separate, bone, sheep, mutton, pig,
hence, pork, rid

Phrases

cook meat sauce

sharp knife

separate meat from the bone

get rid of

throw the bone to

193. WHO BIT OFF A PIECE OF THIS COOKIE?

Who bit off a **piece** of this

It was me. I just wanted to **taste** it.

The cookies were prepared for Don't they have a **slight flavor** of

They are **slightly** What **spices** did you add to the

Cinnamon and Do you like the taste of the cookies?

Yes, but I would have used **lemon** instead of ginger.

Tastes Is there enough sugar?

I would have added a little more.

Words

bitterness, cinnamon, cookie, dessert, differ, dough, flavor, ginger, lemon, piece, slight, slightly, spice, spicy, taste

Phrases

bite off a piece

want to taste

prepare for dessert

slight flavor of bitterness

slightly spicy

add to the dough

cinnamon and ginger

taste of

lemon instead of ginger

tastes differ

enough sugar

a little more

194. DO WE HAVE A BANANA CAKE ON THE MENU?

Do we have a **banana** cake on the

Yes, it's time to start the **preparation** process. Fetch a **bunch** of please.

Here you are! Is it enough to make two banana

Absolutely. I will also need a flat dish. I will **lay** the cake on it.

I will fetch the dish a bit later. Now I need to make a **mixture** of **beans** and **carrots** for a salad.

Remove the bean **shell** at first.

Of course. I must **mention** that some **pink pods** are There are no

I guess they are **fully** Throw them out!

Words

banana, bean, bunch, carrot, core, fully, hollow, lay, layer, mention, menu, mixture, pink, pod, preparation, rotten, shell

Phrases

banana cake

start the preparation process

fetch a bunch of bananas

two banana layers

flat dish

lay the cake on it

make a mixture of

beans and carrots

remove the bean shell

mention that

pink pods

no cores

fully rotten

Grocery Stores

195. IS THERE A BAKER'S SHOP NEARBY?

Is there a **baker's shop** nearby?

Yes, on that corner.

What do they

Bread, of course!

I need a **loaf** of bread. Do they have any cookies?

Yes, as well as cakes.

How about **bagels** and

A wide **range** of choices. Even **apple pies** are there!

Words

apple, bagel, baker, loaf, muffin, pie, range, sell, shop

Phrases

baker's shop

on that corner

a loaf of bread

bagels and muffins

a wide range of

apple pie

196. COULD YOU GO TO THE DELI FOR ME?

Could you go to the **deli** for me?

What do they sell there?

Ready-to-eat items.

What shall I buy for you?

Cold cut meat.

Veal or pork?

And sliced cheese, please.

I could forget something. Write down a

Words

beef, deli, list, ready-to-eat

Phrases

for me

ready-to-eat item

for you

sliced cheese

197. IS THERE A FRUIT AND VEGETABLE SHOP HERE?

Is there a fruit and vegetable shop here?

Yes, in the supermarket.

No, we're looking for small shops.

Do you need natural

That's right! Is there a **butcher** shop here?

There was one, but it has closed.

What about fish shops?

They have closed, too. Why don't you go to the **farmers'** market?

Words

butcher, farmer, product

Phrases

fruit and vegetable shop

natural product

butcher shop

fish shop

farmers' market

198. WHERE DO YOU BUY CANNED FOOD?

Where do you buy **canned** food?

At the nearest grocery store.

What else is for sale there?

Fresh

Is there any fresh fish?

Yes. Canned fish is also there.

Are household **goods** for sale there?

There are some household items for sale. This grocery is a small supermarket!

Words

canned, goods, produce

Phrases

canned food

fresh produce

household goods

199. WHERE ARE THE DRINKS SOLD?

Where are the drinks sold?

In the next department.

What shall I buy for you?

Orange juice, please.

What if it is not there?

Then apple juice or still water.

Do you want **wine** or

No, I don't drink

Words

alcohol, beer, orange, wine

Phrases

orange juice

apple juice

still water

wine or beer

drink alcohol

200. SHALL WE GO TO THE SUPERMARKET?

Shall we go to the supermarket?

Yes, we need food.

Shall I take a shopping

No, take the shopping We have a lot to buy!

Then let's **split** up. Take another cart!

Great idea! You go that way, and I'll go this way!

Where do we meet?

At the cash desk!

Words

basket, cart, split

Phrases

shopping basket

shopping cart

split up

cash desk

201. WHAT SHOULD I BUY AT THE SUPERMARKET?

What should I buy at the supermarket?

Cabbages and Do you know where to find them?

Yes, in the fruit and vegetable department. What else?

Cheese and Those are in the **dairy** department.

Shall I buy some **cow's** milk, too?

Yes. Then go to the **seafood** department. Buy some fresh fish there.

I'll buy it. What are you going to buy?

Bread, meat and drinks.

Words

cabbage, cow, dairy, onion, seafood, yoghurt

Phrases

cabbages and onions

cheese and yoghurt

dairy department

cow's milk

seafood department

202. DO YOU SELL HONEY IN GLASS BOTTLES?

Do you sell **honey** in glass

No, it's in glass **jars** or plastic

What **sort** of honey is the best?

We have **plenty** of options. Which is best depends on your taste.

What is “mixed honey”? Is it mixed with sugar?

No, it is made of **nectar collected** from a **variety** of different plants.

Who makes the mixed honey?

of course! Honey bees! We even have honey produced by **wild** bees. It is more expensive!

Words

bee, bottle, collect, container, honey, jar, nectar, plenty, sort, variety, wild

Phrases

sell honey

glass bottle

glass jars

plastic container

sort of honey

plenty of options

nectar collected from

a variety of plants

produced by

wild bees

203. WEIGH TWO POUNDS OF SWEETS, PLEASE.

Weigh two pounds of please.

Shall I **pack** the sweets into a container?

Yes, please. I also need a pack of **roasted** coffee in

A good choice! Natural coffee is **unlike** the **instant** one. Anything else?

Give me two packs of **corn** please.

Here you are. What else?

A good **alcoholic** drink. Something for taste, not to get

Take this **dry** red wine. I can **wrap** the bottle in

Words

alcoholic, corn, drunk, dry, flake, grain, healthy, instant, pack, paper, roast, sweet, sweets, unlike, wrap

Phrases

two pounds of sweets

pack the sweets into a container

roasted coffee in grains

pack of corn flakes

alcoholic drink

to get drunk

dry red wine

wrap the bottle in paper

204. TAKE MY CARD AND BUY WHATEVER YOU WANT

Take my card and buy whatever you want.

Thanks. I want to buy the **following** things: a bike, a motorcycle—

No, no! You are going to a grocery store. Buy some food for the week!

I will buy seven **tubs** of

That's too much for you!

No, it's just one ice-cream tub per day. Then, seven pots of **peach**

No way! Give my card back to me. I will go to the store myself.

As you wish! Take the **garbage** with you, will you?

Words

alright, following, garbage, ice-cream, jam, peach, tub

Phrases

whatever you want

the following things

for the week

a tub of ice-cream

too much for you

per day

a pot of peach jam

as you wish

Nonfood Stores

205. IS THERE A GOOD CLOTHING STORE HERE?

Is there a good clothing store here?

Yes, on the left side of the street.

Stop the car there, please.

Okay, there is a car park. What are you going to buy?

Pants and a

How long will it take?

I don't know for sure. Are you coming with me?

No, I'll wait for you in the car. Don't stay there long!

Words

pants, jumpsuit

Phrases

on the left side

stop the car

car park

stay long

206. LET'S DROP BY THE SHOE STORE.

Let's drop by the shoe store.

With pleasure. What do you want to buy?

Something for summer. **Stylish** shoes or You?

Winter something like warm **fur** boots.

Do you need anything for **spring** and **autumn** too?

Yes, new

Are your old ones worn out?

No, but they get **wet** in rain. I'm looking for **waterproof** ones!

Words

autumn, footwear, fur, sandal, sneaker, spring, stylish, waterproof, wet

Phrases

drop by

for summer

stylish shoes

winter footwear

warm fur boots

for spring and autumn

new sneakers

get wet

get wet in rain

207. WHERE'S THE NEAREST HOUSEHOLD GOODS STORE?

Where's the nearest household goods store?

Around the corner. What do you want to buy?

A new The old one is broken.

Do you need a **scoop** and a

No, I have everything else to clean up.

Do you need anything for repairs?

We've got a **leaking** Can you buy some parts?

It's too old and I would rather buy a new one.

Words

broom, faucet, leak, mop, rusty, scoop, we've = we have

Phrases

everything else

leaking faucet

would rather

208. IS THE TOY STORE OPEN?

Is the **toy** store open?

It's closed for now, but it is about to open.

Let's wait. I want to buy a

For

For my niece.

Will you buy anything for your nephew?

A toy car.

He's got a lot of them. You had better buy a toy ship!

Words

doll, toy, whom

Phrases

be about to

toy car

had better

toy ship

209. IS THERE A FURNITURE STORE NEARBY?

Is there a furniture store nearby?

Yes, around the corner. What do you need to buy?

A bedroom set.

There are good **wooden** beds.

Are there any **dressers** and too?

Yes, as well as chairs and

Are prices high or low?

I would say they are And there are

Words

affordable, armchair, discount, dresser, mirror, wooden

Phrases

furniture store

bedroom set

wooden bed

dressers and mirrors

chairs and armchairs

I would say

210. WHAT DO YOU WANT AT THE DEPARTMENT STORE?

What do you want at the department store?

Print paper and They're at the **stationery** department.

Where will you go next?

To the **cosmetics** department. I need lipstick and

And then?

To the **jewelry** department. I want to buy earrings.

Oh, my God. You're going to spend all your money!

Not all of it. I have left some at home!

Words

cosmetics, crayon, hairpin, jewelry, stationery

Phrases

paper and crayons

stationery department

cosmetics department

lipstick and hairpins

jewelry department

buy earrings

spend money

211. WHAT CHEMICAL COMPONENTS ARE THERE IN LIPSTICK?

What **chemical components** are there in lipstick?

This is a **difficult** question, why bother?

I am **allergic** to some

There is oil, **wax** and Buy and try different lipsticks!

I have a **pile** of them at home. I must make a right choice!

A sensible **decision** depends on careful doesn't it?

Absolutely! Let's **analyze** the components

This is not our **Ours** is to find someone who can do that!

Words

allergic, analysis, analyze, chemical, component, decision, difficult, further, ours, pigment, pile, substance, task, wax

Phrases

chemical component

difficult question

why bother

be allergic to

different lipsticks

a pile of

right choice

sensible decision

careful analysis

analyze further

212. IS THIS A SHOPPING MALL?

Is this a shopping

Yes. There are shops on all floors except the top.

What's there on the top floor?

The

How can we get there?

By escalator or stairs.

Are we on the **ground** floor now?

Yes, there's only a **warehouse** under us. There's a **prohibited**

Words

cafeteria, ground, mall, prohibit, warehouse, zone

Phrases

shopping mall

on the top floor

by escalator

on the ground floor

prohibited zone

213. WHAT CATEGORIES OF GOODS ARE THERE AT THE MALL?

What **categories** of goods are there at the mall?

All kinds, and a large **quantity** of each item in

Fine! Let's go to the **electrical appliances** department.

What do you want to buy there?

A **disk** a **DVD** and a pair of

First, they are in the **electronics** department. Second, it would be a **waste** of money.

Why so?

All those **devices** are You should better buy a **flash** drive!

Words

appliance, category, CD, device, disk, DVD, electrical, electronics, flash, pair, quantity, stock, unit, unnecessary, waste

Phrases

categories of goods

all kinds

a large quantity of

in stock

electrical appliances department

disk unit

electronics department

a waste of money

flash drive

Other Stores

214. COULD YOU GO TO THE PHARMACY?

Could you go to the pharmacy?

Do you need some medicine?

No, a **bruise** cream.

Who has got bruises?

I have. I **hit** my leg!

Is a **recipe** for the cream required?

No, it's not a strong drug.

Okay, **note** down the name of the cream!

Words

bruise, certainly, hit, note, pills, recipe

Phrases

go to the pharmacy

bruise cream

strong drug

note down

the name of the cream

215. WHERE DO YOU BUY FOOD FOR YOUR CAT?

Where do you buy food for your

At a **pet** store. Why do you ask?

I have to buy dog food.

You don't have a dog, do you?

It's a neighbor's dog. He asked me to look after it for a few days. I will also have to walk the dog in the park.

Does it have a

No. Do they sell **leashes** at the pet store?

Sure. There are a lot of them. Ask the **seller** which one is better!

Words

cat, leash, leashes, pet, seller

Phrases

pet store

dog food

neighbor's dog

look after

for a few days

walk the dog

have a leash

sell leashes

ask the seller

216. HAS YOUR BROTHER STARTED AN OPTICAL SHOP?

Has your brother started an **optical** shop?

Yes, he's a **businessman** now.

Why did he choose such a

He **studied** medicine. He's an eye doctor!

Can he check my

Of course! Do you have any eye problems?

My sight has **worsened**

He can select glasses for you!

Words

business, businessman, eyesight, lately, optical, studied *form*:
study), worsen

Phrases

start a shop

study medicine

eye doctor

check eyesight

eye problems

select glasses for

217. LET'S FIND AN AUTO PARTS STORE!

Let's find an **auto** parts store!

What do you want to buy?

Motor oil.

Who's going to change it?

I will, in my garage.

Why not at the **service** station?

I want to **save** a little money!

Okay, but try not to break the car!

Words

auto, motor, save, service

Phrases

auto parts store

motor oil

in my garage

service station

save money

break the car

218. IS THERE A CAR DEALER IN THIS TOWN?

Is there a car **dealer** in this town?

Only one. It's in the center of the town. Why do you ask?

Because I want to buy a car.

A new or used one?

I haven't **decided** yet. What are the car **brands** there?

Various. Domestic and imported.

Can they **offer** a **test** drive?

Yes, and a **loan** to buy a car.

Words

brand, dealer, decide, loan, offer, test

Phrases

car dealer

in the center of

buy a car

car brand

offer a test drive

219. DO YOU SELL DIAMOND DISKS AT YOUR HARDWARE STORE?

Do you sell **diamond** disks at your hardware store?

Yes, all sizes, from the tiny to the **giant** ones.

Do you have **grinding** disks **fourteen inches** in

Yes, seven dollars per item. They have gone down in

What is the **maximum** size of such disks?

Twenty inches. They are available on order. We can make the

When will I **receive** them?

On the fourth day after the receipt of your order.

Words

delivery, diameter, diamond, fourteen, fourth, giant, grinding,
hardware, inch, maximum, receipt, receive, value

Phrases

diamond disk

all sizes

grinding disk

fourteen inches

in diameter

seven dollars per item

go down in value

maximum size

available on order

make the delivery

on the fourth day

the receipt of your order

Studies

220. AT WHAT AGE DO CHILDREN START TALKING?

At what age do children start talking?

When they're about a year old.

How old were you?

Probably one and a half.

When did you learn to read and write?

When I was

What was your first book?

I don't remember. Maybe the **ABC** book.

Words

ABC, probably, six

Phrases

start talking

one and a half

learn to read and write

your first book

221. HOW MANY LETTERS ARE THERE IN THE ENGLISH ALPHABET?

How many **letters** are there in the English

I think, twenty-six letters.

How did you learn the alphabet?

I **repeated** it many times.

Can you **cite** it now?

Yes. A, b, c, d...

Stop! Cite it in **reverse** order!

What for?

To train your Give it a

Words

alphabet, brain, cite, letter, repeat, reverse, shot

Phrases

English alphabet

twenty-six letters

learn the alphabet

repeat many times

in reverse order

train brain

give it a shot

222. DO YOUR CHILDREN GO TO KINDERGARTEN?

Do your children go to

Yes, I take them there.

What do they do there?

They **play** and study.

What do they learn?

To read, write and

How long do their **lessons** last?

They're short, 5 to 20 minutes.

Words

count, kindergarten, lesson, play

Phrases

go to kindergarten

take them

play and study

read, write and count

How long...

223. MY DEAR, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

My dear, what are you doing?

I'm learning to write with a

Why are you writing in the book?

I like writing under pictures. These are my **illustrated** notes!

Don't you like writing in a

No, there are no pictures.

Draw some pictures there!

I cannot draw with a pen. Give me a please!

Words

illustrate, notebook, pen, pencil

Phrases

write with a pen

under pictures

illustrated notes

draw some pictures

draw with a pencil

224. DOES YOUR DAUGHTER LIKE MATH?

Does your daughter like

No, but my son does.

When did he start studying it?

A year ago. He is doing well!

What **calculations** can he make now?

He can sum up and **subtract** numbers!

Can he **multiply** and

Yes, but not very well.

Words

calculation, divide, math, multiply, subtract

Phrases

like math

start studying

a year ago

do well

make calculations

sum up numbers

subtract numbers

multiply and divide

225. WHAT IS THE HARDEST SUBJECT IN SCHOOL?

What is the **hardest subject** in school?

It depends. For my daughter, it's

What's the **easiest** one for her?

Visual

Does she like drawing?

Yes, especially flowers. She draws them all the time in

What does she draw with?

Colored pencils and paints.

Words

art, easiest, hardest, physics, subject, visual

Phrases

the hardest subject

Visual Arts

like drawing

all the time

colored pencil

226. HOW MANY EXAMS DO YOU HAVE TO TAKE?

How many **exams** do you have to take?

Two exams and three tests.

What **grades** do you want to get?

Good or

What if you get a **satisfactory**

I'll try to **retake** the test.

What if you are a

This will never happen!

Words

exam, excellent, failure, grade, retake, satisfactory

Phrases

take an exam

take exams

get a satisfactory grade

retake the test

be a failure

227. DID YOU PASS THE EXAM YESTERDAY?

Did you pass the exam yesterday?

Yes, it was I got a B.

Do you have an exam today?

No, **it'll** be

What subject?

Is this exam difficult for you?

It's easy for me. I hope I'll get an A!

Words

chemistry, history, it'll = it will, tomorrow

Phrases

pass an exam

difficult for

easy for

get an A

228. WHY ARE YOU GOING TO THE LIBRARY?

Why are you going to the

I need to find a book.

Did you look for it on the Internet?

Yes, but it is not there.

Why do you need it?

I have to write an

What subject?

Words

biology, essay, library

Phrases

need to find

write an essay

229. WHAT YEAR DID YOUR SON FINISH HIGH SCHOOL?

What year did your son finish high school?

This year.

Has he entered college?

No, he is entering university.

What specialty has he

A

Does he like

No, but he knows

Words

chosen *form*: choose), computer, mathematics, programmer

Phrases

finish high school

enter university

choose a specialty

like mathematics

know computers

230. DO YOU HAVE A HIGHER EDUCATION?

Do you have a **higher** education?

Yes, I graduated from university last year.

What did you study at university? What **degree** did you get?

Bachelor of

Are you studying or working now?

I have entered graduate school.

How long will you learn?

For two years. Then I'll go to a **doctorate**

Words

bachelor, degree, doctorate, economics, higher, program

Phrases

higher education

get a degree

Bachelor of Economics

enter graduate school

for two years

doctorate program

231. DO YOU LIVE ON CAMPUS?

Do you live on

Yes, I received an **academic** It covers **tuition** and **lodging**

What are the **principal benefits** of living there? Could you **define** them?

Easy **access** to **educational Classrooms** and **labs** are within walking distance.

This **definitely educates students** to walk more. Anything else?

Living costs are reduced to a

Yes, that is another **definite** benefit. Do you **recall** any other?

Some **professors** and other **staff members** also live on campus. There are chances to make friends with them!

Words

academic, access, benefit, campus, classroom, define, definite, definitely, educate, educational, expenses, facility, grant, labs,

lodging, member, minimum, principal, professor, recall, staff,
student, tuition

Phrases

live on campus

receive a grant

cover tuition

lodging expenses

principal benefit

access to

educational facilities

classrooms and labs

within walking distance

educate students

living costs

reduce to a minimum

definite benefit

staff member

make friends with

232. DO ALL STUDENTS OF YOUR CLASS ATTEND LECTURES?

Do all students of your class attend

The **majority** turns up on a **regular** but some miss classes.

Why? Are the **topics** too **simple** for them?

On the contrary, too There's no **understanding** of the subject matter.

Who is to **blame** for this? Teachers?

No, all of them are good Those students are bad

What will happen if they **fail** the

They will be **expelled** from university,

Words

alas, basis, blame, complicated, examination, expel, expelled, fail, lecture, lecturer, listener, majority, miss, regular, simple, topic, understanding

Phrases

attend lectures

on a regular basis

miss classes

simple topic

too complicated

understanding of

subject matter

who is to blame

good lecturer

bad listener

fail the examination

expel from university

233. HOW IS YOUR PROGRESS IN LEARNING CHINESE?

How is your **progress** in learning Chinese?

Not bad. I can easily speak in **plain** Chinese.

Would you like to **reach** an **advanced** level?

Yes, I have bought an advanced **learner's** There are many new words for me.

There are Can you **spell** Chinese words?

Yes, I use the **Latin** alphabet.

It is beyond my You have a **brilliant** mind!

No, I just stick to the I can teach you Chinese!

Words

advanced, brilliant, comprehension, curriculum, dictionary,
hieroglyph, Latin, learner, plain, progress, reach, spell

Phrases

progress in

learn Chinese

in plain Chinese

reach a level

reach an advanced level

learner's dictionary

advanced learner's dictionary

spell *Words*

spell Chinese *Words*

Latin alphabet

beyond my comprehension

brilliant mind

stick to

stick to the curriculum

teach you

234. IS THIS WORD WRITTEN CORRECTLY?

Is this word **written**

I am not that **highly educated** to check the

Neither am I. Never mind, I can use the **Editor** to **edit** the

Can the program **pronounce** the word?

No, but it can show the **meaning** of the word.

How does it know the meaning?

It refers to the **definition** in a dictionary.

And yet, I'd like to hear the Please **download** an **application** that can read a text

Words

aloud, application, correctly, definition, download, edit, editor, educated, highly, meaning, pronounce, pronunciation, spelling, text,

written *form*: write)

Phrases

write correctly

highly educated

check the spelling

use the Editor

edit the text

pronounce the word

meaning of the word

refer to the definition

in a dictionary

hear the pronunciation

read aloud

read a text aloud

235. HAVE YOU DONE YOUR HOMEWORK?

Have you done your

Not yet. My repeated attempts to **solve** a **geometry** problem were a failure.

What is the task, in

How to find the **angle** of a **circle**

I don't remember the Use a math **app** to solve the task.

Okay. **Here's** another task: what is the **historic significance** of the

I am not good at history. Find a relevant **chapter** or **paragraph** in the

Thank you. I will act **upon** your

Words

angle, app, brief, chapter, circle, crusade, formula, geometry, here's
= here is, historic, homework, paragraph, recommendation, sector,
significance, solve, textbook, upon

Phrases

do homework

repeated attempts

solve a geometry problem

in brief

angle of

circle sector

remember the formula

math app

solve the task

historic significance

relevant chapter

in the textbook

act upon

your recommendations

236. WHAT IS THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE INTRODUCTION SESSION?

What is the **primary purpose** of the **introduction**

It **serves** as an introduction to the main **psychology** course.

What does the session

Basic **concepts** of **scientific** research.

Are there any **secondary** purposes?

Yes, students will learn more about the educational program

I can **predict** that some will **revise** their choice of a major!

In my opinion, this is a reasonable Not everyone is a born

Words

concept, introduction, involve, predict, prediction, primary, psychologist, psychology, purpose, revise, scientific, secondary, serve, session, structure

Phrases

primary purpose

introduction session

serve as

introduction to

psychology course

main psychology course

basic concept

scientific research

secondary purpose

learn more about

program structure

educational program

educational program structure

predict that

choice of a major

reasonable prediction

a born psychologist

**237. DO YOU HAVE A HABIT OF HIGHLIGHTING IMPORTANT
PASSAGES IN TEXT WHILE READING?**

Do you have a habit of **highlighting** important passages in text
while reading?

If it's a I never **highlight** text in it.

What about textbooks or **telephone** books?

I highlight some passages in yellow in **user**

Could you **quote** such a passage by heart?

No, I do not memorize They **vary** a lot in subjects.

What was the latest subject?

It was a guide on how to **tune** a **guitar** to I **highlighted** many
quotations there!

Words

guide, guitar, highlight, novel, pitch, quotation, quote, telephone, tune, user, vary, while

Phrases

important passage

while reading

highlight text

telephone book

highlight in yellow

user guide

quote a passage

by heart

memorize quotations

vary a lot

vary a lot in subjects

a guide on how to

tune to pitch

tune a guitar to pitch

Work

238. DO YOU HAVE A JOB?

Do you have a job?

Not yet. I want to work for an international company.

Did you try to find a

I've been trying all the time.

How do you look for it?

I read job

Do you **send** out your

Yes, but there is no answer yet.

Words

advertisement, CV, send, vacancy

Phrases

have a job

international company

find a vacancy

job advertisements

send out

239. WHY HAVE YOU CHOSEN OUR COMPANY?

Why have you chosen our company?

I read the **feedback** from your

Do you have any job experience?

I worked as an

What are your

I'm a **hard-working** person.

What are your

I'm too critical of myself.

Words

employee, feedback, hard-working, intern, strength, strengths, weakness

Phrases

read the feedback

job experience

work as an intern

hard-working person

critical of

240. HAVE YOU GOT A JOB OFFER?

Have you got a job offer?

Yes, the day before yesterday.

Is the **salary**

It's a small salary plus bonuses.

What about **paid** leave?

Two weeks once a year.

Have you accepted the offer?

Not yet, I have to think it over.

Words

decent, paid *form*: pay), salary

Phrases

job offer

the day before yesterday

decent salary

small salary

paid leave

accept the offer

think over

241. HAVE YOU STARTED WORK?

Have you started

Yes, last

Where do you work?

At a public office.

What are your

I enter **data** into the computer.

Do your **colleagues** help you?

Yes, they are very friendly!

Words

colleague, data, responsibility, Tuesday

Phrases

last Tuesday

public office

enter data into

be friendly

242. WHERE'S YOUR WORKPLACE?

Where's your

This is my

What time do you start work?

At nine in the morning.

When do you finish?

At half past five in the afternoon.

Are there any breaks?

Yes, I have half an hour for lunch. And guess what? I can go to the bathroom at any time!

Words

desktop, workplace

Phrases

at nine

at half past five

in the afternoon

at any time

243. HOW DO I TAKE SICK LEAVE?

How do I take sick leave?

Just call in sick.

Are you not going to fire me for that?

No, don't worry!

What if I'm sick for a long **period** of time?

Then get a **medical**

Where do I get it?

Call the doctor. Let him write a certificate!

Words

certificate, medical, period

Phrases

take sick leave

call in sick

fire for

for a long time

for a long period of time

medical certificate

write a certificate

244. ARE YOU AFRAID OF LOSING YOUR JOB?

Are you afraid of losing your job?

No, I'm doing well at work.

What if you do lose it?

I will look for another place of work.

Would you like to start a business?

I've been dreaming about it for a long time.

What do you need to start it?

Start-up

Words

capital, start-up

Phrases

place of work

start a business

start-up capital

245. HOW MANY PEOPLE DOES YOUR COMPANY EMPLOY?

How many people does your company

We have more than **seventy** workers. Their number increases each

Do you **interview** the job **candidates** yourself?

No, my human **resources manager** selects and **hires** people.

Could you call yourself an **equal opportunity**

Yes, our **employment** process is simple and fair.

How long were you **unemployed** yourself in your life?

According to notes in my for five months. **Unemployment** is awful!

Words

according, candidate, diary, employ, employer, employment, equal, hire, interview, manager, month, opportunity, resource, seventy, unemployed, unemployment

Phrases

each month

interview the job candidates

human resources manager

equal opportunity employer

employment process

according to

for five months

246. HAVE YOU GOT AN APPOINTMENT FOR AN INTERVIEW WITH AN HR SPECIALIST?

Have you got an appointment for an interview with an **HR**

I have already had the interview. The personnel officer recommended to hire me.

Have you been hired?

Not yet. The personnel manager should approve my employment.

How will you find out if the **approval** has been given?

They must send me an **email**

Will it be a **permanent** job?

It's but it will give me **solid** work experience!

Words

appointment, approval, approve, email, HR, message, permanent, personnel, recommend, solid, specialist, temporary

Phrases

get an appointment

appointment for an interview with

personnel officer

recommend to hire

approve employment

give an approval

send an email message

permanent job

temporary job

solid work experience

247. DO YOU HAVE A REFERENCE FROM YOUR FORMER EMPLOYER?

Do you have a **reference** from your former employer?

Yes, I have **attached** the **file** to my message.

Good. Don't forget to **fill** out the **form** on our please.

I tried to, but there was an The **Submit** button did not work.

What **response** did you get from the website?

"Please **update** your application to the latest What is this about?

Probably your **operating** system is What version do you have?

Not a clue. I am not a computer

Words

attach, error, expert, file, fill, form, operating, outdated, reference, response, submit, system, update, version, website

Phrases

reference from

former employer

attach the file to

fill out the form

on our website

the Submit button

get a response from

update your application

the latest version

operating system

not a clue

computer expert

248. PLEASE SCAN YOUR CERTIFICATES

Please **scan** your certificates.

I have already **scanned** the first one.

Now **launch printing** from your

I'm sorry, I can't. The **standard** combination of **keys** isn't working.

Something is wrong with your Just **click** the printer

Too many clicks to scan and print one

Do you know a more **convenient sequence** of actions?

No, but there must be a way to **combine scanning** and printing!

Words

click, combine, convenient, icon, key, keyboard, laptop, launch, page, printing, scan, scanned, scanning, sequence, standard

Phrases

scan your certificate

launch printing

from your laptop

standard combination of keys

click the printer icon

a more convenient sequence of

combine scanning and printing

249. WHAT INSPIRES PEOPLE TO WORK HARD?

What **inspires** people to work hard? A high

Money does not “inspire”. A high **income** is not enough for Let’s **dig**

Okay, what other **factors** are involved?

Work **enables** people to increase their social

What do they do to achieve an **increasingly** high status?

They **generate** do or **invent** something!

These days it is increasingly difficult to **promote** isn’t it?

Yes, this requires **concentration** of efforts, but is **worth** trying!

Words

concentration, deeper, dig, enable, experiment, factor, generate, ideas, income, increasingly, inspiration, inspire, invent, invention, promote, status, wage, worth

Phrases

inspire people

a high income

dig deeper

other factors

enable people

increase social status

generate ideas

do experiments

invent something

promote inventions

concentration of efforts

be worth trying

250. WHY DO SOME PEOPLE PREFER WORKING THE NIGHT SHIFT?

Why do some people prefer working the night

Night shift has some **practical** advantages over day shift.

Do you mean **financial**

Exactly. Besides, there is less work for the night

It makes sense. What are **disadvantages** of working the night shift?

It is hard to **maintain balance** between work and life.

Is working at night bad for **one's** health? What are its health

It can **shorten** your life. Change your daily **schedule** to live

Words

balance, crew, disadvantage, effect, financial, longer, maintain, practical, reward, schedule, shift, shorten

Phrases

work the night shift

practical advantages over

day shift

financial reward

night crew

make sense

disadvantages of

maintain balance between

health effects

shorten life

daily schedule

live longer

251. I AM PLANNING TO RETIRE WITH PENSION

I am **planning** to **retire** with

Do you really want to be Why don't you work part time?

It is of no interest to me. I wanted to **quit** long ago. How do I notify my employer?

You should go to the post office and **mail** a letter to Human Resources.

Do you have a **sample** application?

No. Just take a **blank** sheet of paper and write a free form letter.

What parts should it **consist** of?

Your name, address and **notification** of your **intention** to retire.

Words

blank, consist, intention, mail, notification, pension, planning, quit, retire, retired, sample

Phrases

retire with pension

be retired

want to quit

notify employer

mail a letter to

sample application

a blank sheet of paper

a free form letter

consist of

notification of

intention to retire

Professions

252. WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A TRANSLATOR?

Would you like to be a

No, I don't want to sit and **translate** thick books!

You could be an

What do they do?

They translate what others say.

Where do they work?

At **meetings** or when

Yes, I would love to travel and work at the **same** time!

Words

interpreter, meeting, same, translate, translator, traveling

Phrases

be a translator

at meetings

when traveling

travel and work

at the same time

253. DO YOU KNOW WHAT DOCTORS DO?

Do you know what doctors do?

Of course! They treat the sick.

How do they treat them?

First, the doctor **examines** a patient.

That's right. What's next?

He or she makes a **diagnosis** and prescribes treatment.

What do **dentists** do?

They treat people's teeth.

Words

dentist, diagnosis, examine, prescribe

Phrases

examine a patient

make a diagnosis

prescribe treatment

treat teeth

254. WHAT MEDICAL PROFESSIONS DO YOU KNOW?

What medical professions do you know?

There are dozens of them.

Can you give a couple of examples?

Surgeons and

What do surgeons do?

They **operate** on patients.

What about physicians?

They treat all diseases.

Words

operate, physician, surgeon

Phrases

medical profession

a couple of examples

surgeons and physicians

operate on patients

treat all diseases

255. WHAT DO ENGINEERS DO?

What do engineers

They design machines.

Give me some examples of machines!

Vehicles, planes, computers.

Where do engineers work?

At **industrial** plants, **laboratories** and offices.

How do people become engineers?

They have to graduate from university.

Words

industrial, laboratory

Phrases

design machines

industrial plants

laboratories and offices

256. WHAT DO BUILDERS DO?

What do **builders** do?

They **construct** houses.

What else can they

Roads and bridges.

How do people become builders?

They go to work at a construction site.

Do they need a diploma?

It is not necessary.

Words

build, builder, construct, diploma

Phrases

construct houses

roads and bridges

at a construction site

257. WHAT ARE PROGRAMMERS?

What are

Those are people who write

What kind of code is it?

It's a language the computer can understand.

What does the code do?

It controls computers and other **digital** devices.

Is it easy to become a programmer?

No, you have to learn a lot.

Words

code, digital

Phrases

write code

What kind of...

controls computers

a digital device

become a programmer

258. HOW CAN I BECOME A LAWYER?

How can I become a lawyer?

You have to finish **law** school.

What do students study there?

They study the law.

Where do they work after

At any company.

Is this an interesting job?

Yes, but it's

Words

graduation, law, stressful

Phrases

become a lawyer

finish law school

study the law

after graduation

be stressful

259. HOW CAN I BECOME AN ECONOMIST?

How can I become an economist?

You have to study the

Where is it studied?

At a School of Economics.

Do they study

Yes, you will be **able** to work in a bank.

Where else do economists work?

For any **commercial** company.

Words

able, commercial, economy, finances

Phrases

study finances

be able to

commercial company

260. IS YOUR UNCLE A HELICOPTER PILOT?

Is your uncle a **helicopter**

Yes, he graduated from a flight school.

Doesn't he want to fly planes?

He did fly planes, but didn't like it.

Does your aunt work in too?

Yes, she's a flight

Where does she fly?

Inside the country and abroad.

Words

attendant, aviation, helicopter, pilot

Phrases

helicopter pilot

flight school

fly a plane

work in aviation

flight attendant

261. WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE AN ACTOR?

Would you like to be an

Yes, I can play on stage.

Would you like to be a

Yes, I can

What about being an

Yes, I can paint. I am pretty good at it!

What do you do for a living now?

I'm a taxi driver. Actually, I am planning to become a

Words

actor, artist, priest, sing, singer

Phrases

play on stage

pretty good at

do for a living

taxi driver

become a priest

262. DO YOU HAVE MUSICIANS IN YOUR FAMILY?

Do you have musicians in your family?

Yes, my grandfather played in an

Are your parents into too?

My dad plays the violin and my mom plays the

What **musical instruments** do you play?

At first I learned to play the

Did you choose another **instrument** then?

Yes, I **mastered** the guitar. I play and sing in a

Words

band, cello, instrument, master, music, musical, orchestra, piano, violin

Phrases

play in an orchestra

be into

play the violin

play the cello

musical instrument

play the piano

master the guitar

sing in a band

263. WHY ARE FARMERS SO IMPORTANT?

Why are farmers so important?

Because they **provide** us with food.

How do they do that?

Some of them **raise** animals at their farm.

What about the others?

They plant **seeds** and grow

How long do they work?

From morning **till** night, I think. **Farming** is not an easy job!

Words

crop, farm, farming, provide, raise, seed, till

Phrases

provide with

raise animals

plant seeds

grow crops

from morning till night

an easy job

264. WHO ARE WHITE-COLLAR WORKERS?

Who are **white-collar** workers?

They are office workers.

And who are blue

Those who work with their hands.

Can you give an example of a blue collar?

A construction worker.

And a white collar?

An

Words

architect, collar, white-collar

Phrases

white-collar worker

office worker

blue collars

give an example of

construction worker

265. WHICH PROFESSIONS ARE MOST PROMISING?

Which professions are most

Doctors and engineers, **including software** engineers.

Who **earns** a lot?

Lawyers and

Can actors be rich?

Some of them, yes.

I agree with you. What about artists?

Yes, but most of them are

Words

earn, financier, including, poor, promising, software

Phrases

including software engineers

earn a lot

lawyers and financiers

most of them

266. WHO DISTRIBUTES WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS IN THE TRANSLATION DIVISION?

Who **distributes** written **assignments** in the **translation**

A **project** manager. If she is **absent** from work, it's the senior

Who does that in the **absence** of the **executive** officer?

The senior translator. Another **clerk** might **assist** him.

Is translation a **creative** activity?

Translation itself, yes. Project no.

What translation **tools** are used in the company?

Appropriate electronic dictionaries and translation memory software.

Words

absence, absent, appropriate, assignment, assist, clerk, creative, distribute, division, electronic, executive, management, project, tool, translation

Phrases

distribute written assignments

translation division

project manager

is absent from

senior executive

in the absence of

executive officer

another clerk

creative activity

project management

translation tools

appropriate electronic dictionaries

translation memory software

267. WHAT DIFFICULTIES MIGHT A QUALIFIED INTERPRETER ENCOUNTER?

What difficulties might a **qualified** interpreter encounter?

A **speaker's unusual** You cannot **interpret** what you do not understand, even if your **qualification** is strong.

Suppose you can hear every word. Can any problems still

Some words have many meanings. You must choose the right one **depending** on the

Will any **special technical skills** help?

You don't have time to use **technology** during **oral** communication.

Is there a guide to such **multiple-meaning** words?

The best guide is your own brain. You should know the language **perfectly** well and be aware of **cultural** differences.

Words

accent, arise, context, cultural, depending, interpret, multiple-meaning, oral, perfectly, qualification, qualified, qualify, skill, speaker, special, suppose, technical, technology, unusual

Phrases

qualified interpreter

unusual accent

depending on

special technical skill

oral communication

multiple-meaning word

perfectly well

be aware of

cultural differences

268. ARE ARCHITECTURE AND ENGINEERING ONE AND THE SAME?

Are **architecture** and **engineering** one and the same?

No, they are different industries.

Are they **interested** in **organizing** a

Trade unions were organized long ago. They do not **tend** to form a common union.

That's a pity. Such **organization** would help to fight against a common

Interesting. What **threatens** these industries?

They will replace architects and engineers soon!

No, the **prospects** of this are **somewhat**

Words

architecture, engineering, interested, organization, organize, prospect, remote, robot, somewhat, tend, threat, threaten, trade, union

Phrases

architecture and engineering

one and the same

interested in

organizing a union

trade union

long ago

tend to

that's a pity

common threat

replace architects

prospects of

somewhat remote

269. WHO ILLUSTRATES BOOKS, MAGAZINES AND NEWSPAPERS?

Who illustrates **magazines** and

They can also be **painters** or

Is the **creation** of **illustrations** an **artistic** process?

Yes, this job **profile** requires real artists. They can **convert** ideas into

Are illustrations important for book

They are as important for **sales** as a **fascinating** book

Are there any social **networks** for illustrators?

There are **possibly** dozens of them around the world. People use them to **exchange** ideas.

Words

artistic, convert, creation, exchange, fascinating, illustration, illustrator, image, magazine, marketing, network, newspaper, painter, photographer, possibly, profile, sales, title

Phrases

magazines and newspapers

painters or photographers

creation of illustrations

artistic process

job profile

convert ideas into images

book marketing

important for sales

fascinating book title

social network

exchange ideas

270. WHAT DOES A FILM CRITIC DO?

What does a **film critic** do? Does he or she **criticize** bad movies only?

No, his or her is the analysis and **evaluation** of any movie.

Can a critic **influence** the **reception** of a movie by the audience?

Yes, if he or she is a **popular** personality.

Where do movie critics work? For **professional**

Yes, as well as for television and even at a film

Is it easy to **obtain** a job as a movie critic or critic's

This might take years. You can start with writing **reviews** for a **Steady** income is not

Words

assistant, blog, critic, criticism, criticize, evaluation, film, guarantee, influence, institute, journal, obtain, popular, professional, radio, reception, review, steady

Phrases

film critic

criticize movies

analysis and evaluation

influence the reception of a movie

popular personality

professional journal

obtain a job as

movie critic

critic's assistant

take years

writing reviews

steady income

271. CAN A WRITER WORK ON THE STAFF OF A PUBLISHER?

Can a **writer** work on the staff of a

Yes, but real **talent** usually works on a **freelance** basis.

Talented authors don't want to be office do they?

They must be free, otherwise their **fairy tales** and movie **scripts** will be

What about technical writers,

It is best for them to be staff members.

Why? Are they are less talented?

No. They need to regularly communicate with their and make project status **reports** for their

Words

author, co-worker, dull, fairy, freelance, journalist, publisher, report, reporter, script, slave, superior, tale, talent, talented, writer

Phrases

work on the staff

real talent

on a freelance basis

talented author

office slave

fairy tale

movie script

less talented

report for

272. WHAT DOES AN EVENT ORGANIZER DO?

What does an **event organizer** do?

He or she **plans** and **executes** an event such as a wedding

What other **celebrations** do event managers organize?

Birthdays and graduation from school or college. Those are private events. They are mostly **hosted** by individuals.

What are other types of events?

sponsored and educational events.

Such as **festivals** and educational fairs, right?

Quite right. The **success** of an event depends both on the organizer and the audience!

Words

anniversary, birthday, celebration, conference, corporate, event, execute, festival, host, organizer, plan, sponsor, sponsored, success

Phrases

event organizer

executes an event

wedding anniversary

private event

hosted by individuals

corporate event

sponsored event

educational event

educational fairs

success of an event

Weekends, Holidays, Vacations

273. WHAT DID YOU DO THIS WEEKEND?

What did you do this weekend?

I **went** shopping on

What did you buy?

Some cheap **costume** jewelry.

What did you do the next day?

On I baked a cake for the first time in my life.

What are you going to do next weekend?

I will go to a cafe!

Words

costume, Saturday, Sunday, went *form*: go)

Phrases

went shopping

on Saturday

costume jewelry

on Sunday

bake a cake

for the first time

274. HOW DID YOU SPEND YOUR SCHOOL HOLIDAYS?

How did you spend your school holidays?

I went to see my grandparents.

How long were you with them?

For almost a month.

What did you do there?

I played with my friends on the We went down the **slide** a **million** times!

Did you help your grandparents around the house?

Yes, I **fed** their dog. Actually, it's not only but also mine!

Words

fed, million, playground, slide, theirs

Phrases

spend school holidays

on the playground

went down the slide

a million times

help around the house

275. WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE A VACATION?

When are you going to take a

A week from now.

Are you going to spend it at home?

No, I don't want to stay in town. My wife and I are going on a trip.

That's good news. By plane or by train?

By our car.

Are you going abroad?

Yes, to

Words

Europe, vacation

Phrases

take a vacation

a week from now

stay in town

go on a trip

good news

by plane

by train

by car

go abroad

276. HAVE YOU BOOKED A HOTEL?

Have you booked a

Yes, I will stay in the hotel for eight days and nights.

Is food provided there?

Yes, it's a **package**

Who are you going with?

No one. I'm alone.

Will you not be bored?

Hopefully I'll meet someone!

Words

hopefully, hotel, package, tour

Phrases

book a hotel

stay in the hotel

for eight days and nights

package tour

be alone

be bored

277. IS YOUR HOTEL FAR FROM THE BEACH?

Is your hotel far from the

No, the distance is short.

What is in front of the hotel?

A swimming pool.

What is behind the hotel?

There's a **beautiful** green hill.

Is there a nice view from your

Yes, the window **overlooks** the sea. I see lots of **palm** trees on the beach.

Words

beach, beautiful, overlook, palm, window

Phrases

short distance

behind the hotel

beautiful green hill

view from a window

the window overlooks...

lots of palm trees

278. WHERE DID YOU SPEND YOUR LAST VACATION?

Where did you spend your last vacation?

At the seacoast.

Who did you go there with?

My girlfriend.

Where did you live?

In a **posh** hotel.

Did you have a good time?

It was the best vacation in my life! Now we are making plans for the next year.

Words

posh

Phrases

posh hotel

have a good time

the best vacation

make plans for

279. WHAT DO YOU LIKE DOING MOST IN YOUR LEISURE TIME?

What do you like doing most in your **leisure** time?

I enjoy watching movies with an unexpected

Do you go to **restaurants** on weekends?

Once a month, I make a **reservation** for two.

Do you go to **seaside resorts** on vacation?

I go camping by the sea while my family stays at home.

Do they find **camping**

Yes. Eventually, I will persuade them to go with me.

Words

camping, ending, leisure, reservation, resort, restaurant, seaside, uncomfortable

Phrases

like doing most

leisure time

unexpected ending

go to a restaurant

make a reservation

seaside resort

go camping

by the sea

stay at home

Fitness

280. WHAT IS FITNESS IN YOUR OPINION?

What is **fitness** in your opinion?

It's the same as **physical**

Wrong. Workouts are only a part of fitness!

What else does it

The daily routine and the food.

What do you mean? Do you have to get up early and eat little?

Not exactly. You must have **proper** rest and

I like that approach. I'll take up fitness

Words

culture, fitness, nutrition, physical, proper, training

Phrases

in your opinion

physical culture

daily routine

get up early

eat little

proper rest and nutrition

fitness training

281. HOW DO YOU DO YOUR MORNING EXERCISES?

How do you do your morning

First, I run in place.

How long?

For five minutes.

What then?

I **squat** twenty times.

What else?

I push off the floor thirty times!

Words

exercise, squat

Phrases

morning exercises

run in place

for five minutes

squat twenty times

push off the floor

thirty times

282. SHALL WE GO TO THE NEW SPORTS GROUND?

Shall we go to the new **sports** ground?

Where is it?

By the

What equipment is there?

Crossbars for

What else?

Push-up

let's go!

Words

bar, crossbar, lake, OK, pull-up, push-up, sport

Phrases

sports ground

by the lake

crossbar for pull-ups

push-up bar

283. DOES YOUR SISTER GO TO THE FITNESS CENTER?

Does your sister go to the fitness center?

Yes, every day.

Why so often?

She's a fitness She works there all day long!

Is she a professional athlete?

No, an

Who does she coach?

Only women!

Words

amateur, trainer

Phrases

every day

fitness trainer

all day long

professional athlete

284. DO YOU GO TO THE GYM?

Do you go to the

Yes, twice a week.

How do you work out?

First, I run on a

To warm up?

That's right. Then I use the weight machines.

What's your goal?

I want to build my

Words

gym, muscle, treadmill

Phrases

twice a week

run on a treadmill

warm up

weight machine

build my muscles

285. WHAT'S THE BEST EXERCISE FOR BICEPS?

What's the best exercise for

Pulling up on the crossbar.

And for leg muscles?

Squats with a

Do weight machines help **strengthen** the muscles?

Of course they do.

Is it easy to become a

It's a difficult task!

Words

barbell, biceps, bodybuilder, pulling, strengthen

Phrases

the best exercise for

pulling up

strengthen the muscles

become a bodybuilder

difficult task

286. DO YOU LIKE YOGA?

Do you like

I love but not yoga.

Why not?

I don't like standing on my head.

What exercises do you like more?

Running to the music.

Do you work out at home?

No, in a There's more

Words

fun, group, stretch, stretching, yoga

Phrases

like yoga

love stretching

standing on my head

work out at home

workout at home

**287. DOES YOUR YOGA INSTRUCTOR SHOW YOU HOW TO STRETCH
CORRECTLY?**

Does your yoga **instructor** show you how to stretch correctly?

Yes. I follow all of her My **aim** is to become as **flexible** as her!

Do you like big

Yes, I challenge myself all the time. My **chief** aim is to **transform** myself into something better.

Do you use any **specific methods** of stretching?

We combine **static** and **dynamic** stretching.

Do you wear sneakers while **practicing** yoga?

By yoga is done It's a healthy tradition!

Words

aim, barefoot, challenge, chief, dynamic, flexible, instruction, instructor, method, practicing, specific, static, tradition, transform

Phrases

yoga instructor

stretch correctly

as flexible as

big challenges

challenge myself

chief aim

transform myself into

specific methods of

static and dynamic stretching

practice yoga

by tradition

do barefoot

healthy tradition

288. CAN MUSCLES BE INJURED DUE TO LIFTING OF HEAVY OBJECTS?

Can muscles be injured **due** to **lifting** of **heavy** For example, iron

Yes, so remember the **importance** of a

What is best, a light or **intense** warm-up?

It should be light at the **initial** stage. Hard **elements** can be added later.

What exercise should be done

I would recommend running, and more **specifically**

How should I breathe while running?

Breathe **steadily** and deeply. Don't hold your **breath** as you run!

Words

breath, due, dumbbell, element, heavy, importance, initial, initially, intense, jog, jogging, lifting, object, specifically, steadily, warm-up

Phrases

due to

lifting of heavy objects

iron dumbbell

importance of a warm-up

intense warm-up

at the initial stage

hard element

recommend running

more specifically

breathe while running

breathe steadily

hold your breath

as you run

289. CAN I MAINTAIN FITNESS WHILE SMOKING?

Can I maintain fitness while

Healthy **smokers** do not Smoking **cigarettes** is a bad habit! It can cause health problems.

I am asking about physical fitness, not health. Can I maintain muscle **growth** while smoking?

Maybe, but you will **ultimately** be **unable** to stay fit.

I am aware of the **existence** of this theory. Is there any

Numerous studies **prove** that. You cannot have fitness without health.

There's also a theory that **stress** is the **origin** of all diseases. Smoking **relieves** stress!

Tobacco was **originally** used for medical purposes. It has proved to be a mistake!

Words

cigarette, exist, existence, growth, numerous, origin, originally, proof, prove, relieve, smoker, smoking, stress, tobacco, ultimately, unable

Phrases

maintain fitness

smoking cigarettes

bad habit

cause health problems

maintain muscle growth

numerous studies

origin of all diseases

relieve stress

medical purpose

prove to be

Sport

290. DO YOU LOVE SPORTS?

Do you love

Yes, I often watch a sports

Do you do sports yourself?

I run in the park on Sundays.

Is that all?

Sometimes I do morning exercises.

How often?

Once a week!

Words

channel

Phrases

sports channel

291. WHAT SPORTS DO YOU LIKE?

What sports do you like?

Soccer and

Do you like **ball**

Yes, except for **basketball** and

What about

No, I prefer track and **field**

Do you run often?

Every day!

Words

athletics, ball, baseball, basketball, field, game, soccer, volleyball, weightlifting

Phrases

ball games

track and field athletics

292. DOES YOUR BROTHER DO SPORTS?

Does your brother do sports?

Yes, he's a

Where does he train?

At the

What kinds of **jumps** does he do?

Long and high jumps.

Does he have good results?

Yes, he will become a **champion** one day!

Words

champion, jump, jumper, stadium

Phrases

at the stadium

long jump

high jump

become a champion

one day

293. IS YOUR SISTER A PROFESSIONAL GYMNAST?

Is your sister a professional

Yes, she has been doing **gymnastics** for many years.

Has she taken part in any

Yes, and she **won** some of them.

Can she do the

She is very flexible and strong!

Would she like to **compete** in the

It's her dream!

Words

compete, competition, gymnast, gymnastics, Olympics, readily, splits, won *form*: win)

Phrases

professional gymnast

do gymnastics

take part in a competition

do the splits

compete in the Olympics

294. IS YOUR FATHER A BOXER?

Is your father a

He used to be. He **gave** up **boxing** because of an

What happened to him?

He hurt his hand in training.

Did he do any other sports?

Yes, **wrestling** and **rock**

What does he do now?

He works out with weight machines.

Words

boxer, boxing, climbing, gave *form*: give), injury, rock, wrestling

Phrases

give up boxing

because of an injury

What happened to...

wrestling and rock climbing

295. IS YOUR MOTHER A SPORTY WOMAN?

Is your mother a **sporty** woman?

Yes, she was a **swimmer** in her

Who **taught** her how to

My grandfather. They lived by the river.

Did she go to sports school?

She did. There was a big swimming pool.

Did she have a good coach?

Yes, he taught her all the swimming styles!

Words

sporty, swim, swimmer, taught (*form*: teach), youth

Phrases

sporty woman

in her youth

taught her

how to swim

sports school

swimming style

296. LET'S PLAY ICE HOCKEY!

Let's play ice

No, I don't know how to

In that case, shall we go

I don't have

What winter sports have you done?

I used to **sled** when I was a kid.

Do you have a sled now?

No, but I have an idea. Let's throw

Words

hockey, skate, ski, skis, sled, snowball

Phrases

play ice hockey

go skiing

have skis

winter sports

used to sled

have an idea

throw snowballs

297. WHAT SPORTS DO YOU DO?

What sports do you do?

I do wrestling and boxing. How about you?

What sports games do you play?

I play **tennis** and You?

Field hockey.

What can we play together?

It's hard to say. Probably

Words

checkers, cycling, golf, tennis

Phrases

do wrestling

do boxing

play tennis

play golf

play together

298. ARE YOU PROUD OF YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS IN FOOTBALL?

Are you proud of your **achievements** in

Yes, my team has won many

What was the **largest**

A **total** of points. My team scored twenty-six points.

What **league** do you play for?

We do not belong to a league. Our team consists of amateur

Would you like to join the **National** Football League and win the **Super** Bowl?

Sure. Every **player** wants to be a champion!

Words

achievement, football, largest, league, match, national, player, score, super, total

Phrases

achievements in football

win a match

the largest score

a total of

forty-five points

score twenty-six points

belong to a league

consist of amateur players

the National Football League

the Super Bowl

every player

299. ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE PART IN THE CYCLE RACE FINAL?

Are you going to take part in the cycle race

No, I won't be able to break the **finishing**

Are there **cyclists** who can **beat** you?

That is not the point. I have a **heavily sprained**

Did you try to **kick** someone?

I am not a **violent** person. This happened **largely** due to my

Did you **twist** the ankle while walking?

No, I was learning to **dance** at home. It turns out I am a bad

Words

ankle, beat, carelessness, cyclist, dance, dancer, final, finishing, heavily, kick, largely, sprain, tape, twist, violent

Phrases

cycle race final

finishing tape

beat you

heavily sprained ankle

kick someone

violent person

largely due to my carelessness

twist the ankle

while walking

bad dancer

Entertainment

300. SHALL WE GO TO THE THEME PARK?

Shall we go to the **theme** park?

Let's go. What do you want to ride?

The **merry-go-round** and the **Ferris** wheel!

No, I get **dizzy** from those rides.

Then let's ride the

It's too dangerous. We can fall out!

Why don't we **shoot** in the **shooting** gallery?

Okay, but be careful with the

Words

dizzy, entertainment, Ferris, merry-go-round, rifle, shoot, shooting, swing, theme

Phrases

theme park

Ferris wheel

get dizzy from

ride the swing

fall out

shooting gallery

be careful with the rifle

301. DID YOU GO TO THE ZOO ON SUNDAY?

Did you go to the **zoo** on Sunday?

Yes, as a family.

Are there any **beasts** of

Certainly. **Lions** and

What about **wolves** and

There are some, too. But I like **monkeys** better.

They're funny, aren't they?

Yes, and they look like people. There also was a big

Words

bear, beast, elephant, lion, monkey, prey, tiger, wolf, zoo

Phrases

go to the zoo

as a family

beasts of prey

lions and tigers

wolves and bears

like monkeys better

look like

big elephant

302. HAVE YOU BEEN TO THE LOCAL MUSEUM?

Have you been to the local

I don't go to museums. They're boring!

On the contrary, this one is very interesting.

What's so interesting about it?

There's a **skeleton** of an **ancient** man!

That's not interesting. What else?

A **sword** and other

It's interesting. Come along!

Words

ancient, museum, skeleton, sword, weapon

Phrases

local museum

very interesting

interesting about

skeleton of an ancient man

other weapons

come along

303. WHAT PERFORMANCES ARE THERE IN THE THEATER?

What **performances** are there in the theater?

A **comedy** and a

What would you like to see?

The drama, I guess.

Do you want me to buy tickets?

Buy them for the evening show.

Which

Any one, but not too far from the stage!

Words

comedy, drama, performance, row

Phrases

a comedy and a drama

evening show

far from

304. WHAT MOVIES ARE SHOWN AT THE CINEMA NOW?

What movies are shown at the **cinema** now?

An action movie and a **science fiction** one.

Is there an **adventure** or a history film playing?

No. There's a **detective** movie and a **horror** movie.

What about love stories?

There is one, too. It starts at seven o'clock in the evening.

Great! Are there any **vacant**

I'm going to check the website.

Words

adventure, cinema, detective, fiction, horror, science, seat, vacant

Phrases

at the cinema

science fiction

detective movie

horror movie

love story

vacant seat

check the website

305. SHALL WE GO TO THE CONCERT TONIGHT?

Shall we go to the **concert** tonight?

Who's going to be on stage?

A **symphony** orchestra.

I don't like **classical** music.

Do you like rock music?

No, I don't. I prefer

A pop band **performs** in another

Let's go and **listen** to them!

Words

classical, concert, hall, listen, perform, pop, symphony

Phrases

symphony orchestra

classical music

rock music

prefer pop

perform in another hall

listen to them

306. DO YOU WANT TO GO TO A NIGHTCLUB?

Do you want to go to a

I don't know. What are we going to do there?

Listen to music and dance. Let's have fun!

Is there live music in the

Yes, real musicians sing and play.

Is it possible to order food there?

Of course. They have a good Their **waiters** are polite and quick.

OK, let's go. I hope the entertainment is worth the cost.

Words

club, cuisine, nightclub, waiter

Phrases

go to a nightclub

listen to music

have fun

live music

in the club

musicians sing and play

order food

good cuisine

worth the cost

307. WHAT TOURIST ATTRACTIONS DO YOU USUALLY AVOID?

What **tourist attractions** do you usually avoid?

The ones with long lines. The lines may **extend** for hundreds of meters!

It is not surprising. Many **travelers** want to see a famous **original sculpture** or painting.

I would rather see a **virtual copy** on the

Are you trying to escape reality?

No, I hate **spending precious** time in such an **inefficient** way.

How do you **entertain** yourself then?

I listen to **relaxing** music at home. I am not a traveler!

Words

attraction, copy, entertain, extend, inefficient, original, precious, relaxing, sculpture, spending, tourist, traveler, virtual, web

Phrases

tourist attraction

extend for hundreds of meters

original sculpture

virtual copy

on the web

escape reality

spending time

in such an inefficient way

entertain yourself

relaxing music

308. DO YOU LIKE WATCHING DOCUMENTARIES?

Do you like watching

Yes, I am an **avid** I often watch documentary

Contemporary documentaries are boring. There is no connected

There is. Some film **producers** release **fantastic** stuff.

What documentaries do you watch? What are they about?

Mainly about Specifically, I am interested in **jazz** and heavy **metal** stars.

Those music **genres** lost **popularity** long ago!

Not quite, TV and radio still **broadcast** this type of music!

Words

avid, broadcast, celebrity, contemporary, documentary, fantastic, genre, jazz, metal, narrative, popularity, producer, series, viewer

Phrases

watch documentaries

avid viewer

documentary series

contemporary documentaries

connected narrative

film producer

release fantastic stuff

about celebrities

interested in jazz

heavy metal

music genre

lost popularity

broadcast music

309. I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO THE PREMIERE OF OUR CARTOON FILM

I would like to **invite** you to the **premiere** of our **cartoon** film.

I accept your **invitation** with pleasure. I've seen a short **episode** from it on TV.

It was a We also put up **posters** for the cartoon.

I saw them, too. The posters were **headlined** "The **Unique**

Right. The **plot** is simple: a little mouse wants to fly and asks a fairy to give him

A classic fairy would ask for something in exchange.

That is what happened! He lost his You have **vivid**

It's just Even **imaginary** beings must be

Words

cartoon, classic, episode, headline, imaginary, imagination,
invitation, invite, logic, mouse, plot, poster, premiere, realistic, tail,
trailer, unique, vivid, wing

Phrases

invite to the premiere

cartoon film

accept invitation

with pleasure

short episode

put up posters

unique mouse

simple plot

little mouse

give him/her wings

classic fairy

something in exchange

vivid imagination

just logic

imaginary being

310. LOOK, SOME LIGHTS ARE FLOATING ON THE WATER

Look, some lights are **floating** on the water. Were they **lit** to **warn** us of a danger?

Those are wish **lanterns** with candles. Our new neighbors are **celebrating** a birthday.

Why float the lanterns down the river?

It's a **traditional** ceremony in the Far **East** countries. The lanterns bring good fortune!

Some are stuck on the **sand** bank. The others are still floating.
What will happen to them

It's a **shallow** river. They cannot float too far. They will be collected after the ceremony.

What if they reach a dry **grass** Can they cause a fire?

It's an **urban** area. There are no grass slopes around here!

Words

afterwards, celebrate, east, float, grass, lantern, lit *form*: light),
sand, shallow, slope, traditional, urban, warn

Phrases

float on the water

warn of a danger

wish lantern

celebrate a birthday

traditional ceremony

Far East country

bring good fortune

stuck on the sand bank

shallow river

collect after the ceremony

reach a slope

cause a fire

urban area

around here

Hobby

311. DO YOU HAVE A HOBBY?

Do you have a

Yes, I love going to the mountains.

It's dangerous!

What do you love?

It's boring!

You're wrong. Fishing is an **amazing** hobby!

No, mountain **tourism** is better!

Words

amazing, fishing, hobby, tourism

Phrases

have a hobby

go to the mountains

amazing hobby

mountain tourism

312. WHY DO YOU HAVE HORNS ON THE WALL?

Why do you have **horns** on the wall?

Because I'm an amateur

Do you go hunting often?

A couple of times a season.

Do you have a

Of course I do. A rifle and

What animals do you

Boars and

Words

boar, bullet, gun, hare, horn, hunt, hunter

Phrases

horns on the wall

amateur hunter

a couple of times

have a gun

rifle and bullets

hunt animals

boars and hares

313. WHY DO YOU GO TO THE WOODS?

Why do you go to the

I collect Why do you?

I watch

Is that your job?

No, it's a hobby. Look over there. Do you know what kind of bird it is?

A **magpie** or a

No, it's a black

yes. It has started **striking** the tree with its

Words

ah, beak, bird, crow, magpie, mushroom, strike, woodpecker, woods

Phrases

go to the woods

collect mushrooms

watch birds

a magpie or a crow

black woodpecker

start striking the tree

strike with the beak

314. YOU HAVE A TELESCOPE ON THE ROOF. WHAT FOR?

You have a **telescope** on the roof. What for?

I like watching the

What's so interesting about it? Stars and

Not only that. **asteroids** and so on.

Are you an **astronomer** by profession?

No, I'm a **Astronomy** is my hobby.

Why didn't you become an astronomer?

Because chemistry is even more interesting to me!

Words

asteroid, astronomer, astronomy, chemist, comet, planet, sky,
telescope

Phrases

telescope on the roof

watch the sky

stars and planets

astronomer by profession

more interesting to

315. DO YOU LIKE WORKING IN THE GARDEN?

Do you like working in the garden?

Yes, I grow flowers.

What are your favorite flowers?

Carnations and roses. What are yours?

Tulips and

Do you grow vegetables?

No, but I have fruit trees. You?

I love **dwarf** trees from They're amazing!

Words

carnation, dwarf, Japan, lily, tulip

Phrases

like working in

grow flowers

favorite flowers

carnations and roses

tulips and lilies

dwarf trees from Japan

316. DO YOU DO SPORTS?

Do you do sports?

Yes, I'm an amateur

Do you run short or long distances?

Long. I run

Has you ever won a marathon?

Not yet.

What was your best result?

I finished **fiftieth** once!

Words

fiftieth, marathon, runner

Phrases

do sports

amateur runner

long distance

run marathons

win a marathon

best result

finish fiftieth

317. WHY DID YOU BUY AN EXPENSIVE CAMERA?

Why did you buy an expensive

I will take up

What pictures are you going to take?

Pictures of **beetles** and The **insects** are perfect!

Who's going to buy your pictures?

I don't know yet. Probably no one.

In that case, why spend money on it?

This is what I saved up for!

Words

beetle, butterfly, camera, insect, photography

Phrases

expensive camera

take up photography

take pictures

beetles and butterflies

save up for

318. WHAT DO YOU DO IN YOUR SPARE TIME?

What do you do in your spare time?

I go to the kitchen and cook.

Isn't that **tedious** work?

For me, it's not a work, it's a hobby!

What do you like to cook?

Various dishes. I use recipes from many countries.

What's your favorite dish?

The one I'm cooking at the moment!

Words

tedious

Phrases

in your spare time

tedious work

use recipes

at the moment

319. HOW DOES YOUR SISTER SPEND HER FREE TIME?

How does your sister spend her free time?

She sings at the **karaoke** bar.

Does she like sewing or

No, she doesn't have enough patience to do that.

What does your brother do?

He plays computer games.

What about

He used to play. Not anymore.

Words

chess, karaoke, knit

Phrases

spend free time

at the karaoke bar

like sewing

like knitting

have enough patience

play computer games

used to play

320. SHALL WE PLAY CHESS OR CHECKERS?

Shall we play chess or checkers?

I don't want to. I don't like board games.

What do you do in your spare time?

I read books and **articles** in magazines.

Why is that book on the shelf

It is not a book, it's a **stamp**

Do you collect stamps?

I used to collect them. Now I collect **coins** from different countries. My first coin was a **British**

Words

album, article, British, coin, penny, stamp, untitled

Phrases

play chess or checkers

articles in magazines

untitled book

stamp album

collect coins

British penny

321. HOW MANY POEMS DOES YOUR COLLECTION OF POETRY CONTAIN?

How many **poems** does your **collection** of **poetry** contain?

There are hundreds of poems by various

That's a large Were any of the poems used in

Yes, some songs are mentioned in the editors'

When were the books

At different times. There are very rare copies.

What is the **oldest**

The **earliest publication** date is 1799. Reading such books is a great pleasure!

Words

1799 (seventeen ninety-nine), collection, comment, earliest, edition, oldest, poem, poet, poetry, publication, publish, song, volume

Phrases

collection of poetry

various poets

large volume

used in songs

editors' comments

rare copies

the oldest edition

the earliest publication

322. I BET WRITING MUSIC IS A PART OF YOUR LIFESTYLE.

I **bet** writing music is a part of your

That's an interesting What made you think so?

I **observed** that you **recorded** birds' **singing** a few times.

So what? Many do that while walking in a

Yes, but then you played the **recordings** in the **observation** bus.

This was not **composing** music!

Besides, you **tapped** your **fingertips** on the **armrest** and **hummed** something.

I admit you are right. The **twitter** of birds is a source of ideas to me. I was making up a **rhythm** and a tune for a new song!

Words

armrest, assumption, bet, composing, fingertip, forest, hum, lifestyle, listening, observation, observe, record, recording, rhythm, singing, tap, tapped, twitter

Phrases

I bet...

writing music

interesting assumption

I observed that...

record birds' singing

walk in a forest

play the recording

observation bus

compose music

tap fingertips on

hum something

twitter of birds

source of ideas

make up a rhythm and a tune

323. WHY DOES YOUR BROTHER GO TO THE COUNTRYSIDE EVERY WEEKEND?

Why does your brother go to the **countryside** every weekend?

He takes photographs in **rural** areas.

Why are his clothes **splashed** with **mud** after that?

He mounts on a horse and rides in the The paths are **steep** and dirty there.

Is he going to **exhibit** his **landscape** photographs to the public?

Mountain **streams** and **bushes** are just the He uses the **surroundings** for portraits.

Who **poses** for him? Farmers wishing to see their photos at the

No, his friends. They like riding horses, dancing around the fire, and sleeping in

Words

background, bush, countryside, exhibit, exhibition, landscape, mud, pose, rural, splash, steep, stream, surroundings, tent, valley

Phrases

every weekend

in rural areas

splash with mud

mount on a horse

ride in the valley

steep and dirty

exhibit landscape photographs to

streams and bushes

use the surroundings for

pose for

at the exhibition

ride horses

sleep in tents

324. WHY ARE YOU PLANNING TO ATTEND THE OPENING OF THE SAILING SCHOOL?

Why are you planning to attend the **opening** of the **sailing** school?

This is my desire, not a

Let me **remind** you that you are an Is it not too late to become a

I want to learn **yacht** sailing to some

What for? To **cast** a fishing **net** in the open sea?

No, sailing **techniques** have nothing to do with fishing.

What is the goal of your future **voyage** then?

One day I will sail toward My goal is to view the **Statue** of **Liberty** from the sea!

Words

America, attorney, cast, duty, extent, liberty, net, opening, remind, sailing, sailor, statue, technique, toward, voyage, yacht

Phrases

attend the opening of

sailing school

not a duty

Let me remind you...

become a sailor

yacht sailing

to some extent

cast a fishing net in

sailing techniques

nothing to do with

the goal of your future voyage

toward America

view the Statue of Liberty

from the sea

Law and Order

325. POLICE, DON'T MOVE!

Police, don't

Don't shoot! I'm not

What do you have in your hands?

It's my

Open it and show its

Here, please. Am I under

No, you are free to go.

Thank you, officer!

Words

armed, arrest, bag, contents

Phrases

don't move

don't shoot

be not armed

my bag

show its contents

under arrest

free to go

326. HAVE YOU EVER BROKEN THE LAW?

Have you ever broken the law?

I **stole** a chocolate bar from a grocery store.

When did you do it?

I was five years old.

Did you **commit** crimes as an adult?

Well, I **rode** a bike without a helmet.

Did you have more serious

I exceeded the **speed** limit on the

Words

commit, highway, offence, rode, speed, stole *form*: steal)

Phrases

break the law

steal a chocolate bar

five years old

commit a crime

as an adult

without a helmet

serious offence

exceed the speed limit

on the highway

327. DO YOU HAVE A GUN AT HOME?

Do you have a gun at home?

No, I am not going to shoot anyone.

What if someone tries to rob you?

I will not use a I'll call the police.

What if the **robber attacks** and tries to kill you?

I will **defend** myself with my

Okay, let's **assume** there's no What if he tries to run away?

Let the police look for him. I'll be a **witness** for the not a

Words

assume, attack, defend, firearm, fist, killing, murderer, prosecution, robber, witness

Phrases

try to rob

use a firearm

defend myself

with my fists

let's assume

witness for the prosecution

not a murderer

328. WHY DO I NEED THE IDENTITY CARD?

Why do I need the **identity** card?

To prove it's you.

Who can ask for the

The police.

What if I don't have the document?

Show them your driver's

Does a **U. S. citizen** need a passport?

Not inside the United States. The passport is only needed for traveling abroad.

Words

citizen, ID, identity, license, U.S.

Phrases

identity card

ask for the ID

have the document

driver's license

U. S. citizen

need a passport

inside the United States

be needed for

329. WHAT DO DETECTIVES AND INVESTIGATORS DO?

What do detectives and **investigators** do?

They **investigate** crimes.

What do **prosecutors** do in

They make

What part do lawyers play?

They have to protect the

What do **judges** do?

They pass a **sentence** on the

Words

accusation, accuse, accused, court, investigate, investigator, judge, offender, prosecutor, sentence

Phrases

detectives and investigators

investigate crimes

in court

make accusations

protect the accused

pass a sentence on the offender

330. DETECTIVE, HAVE YOU FOUND THE SUSPECT?

Detective, have you found the

Yes, we're going to **interrogate** him at his house.

Are you going to look for **evidence** there?

Yes, we have a **search**

Are you going to arrest him?

We have an arrest warrant.

Is he going to

It will be up to the court to decide.

Words

evidence, interrogate, jail, search, suspect, warrant

Phrases

find the suspect

interrogate him

look for evidence

search warrant

arrest warrant

go to jail

up to the court to decide

331. WHAT ARE THE PENALTIES FOR CRIMES?

What are the **penalties** for crimes?

They are different, from fines to going to

What is the **extreme** penalty?

In some countries, it's **death** penalty. In others, a life sentence.

What is the purpose of

To **avenge** for the **harm** and to **compensate** for the

Does that prevent new crimes?

We have to fight their causes!

Words

avenge, compensate, death, extreme, harm, loss, partly, penalty,
prison, punishment

Phrases

penalties for crimes

from fines to

going to prison

extreme penalty

death penalty

the purpose of punishment

avenge for the harm

compensate for the losses

prevent new crimes

fight causes

332. WHAT MONEY REWARDS DID YOU RECEIVE FOR CATCHING CRIMINALS?

What money rewards did you receive for **catching**

None. I am a I receive a salary for service.

Are there any **awards** for

Sure. I was awarded two medals.

What are the **regulations allowing** to **claim** a money reward?

You can claim it if your information about a wanted criminal leads to his arrest.

What if the suspect is not found **guilty** in the end?

Even if he is found **innocent** after being arrested, you should get the promised reward anyway.

Words

allowing, award, catching, claim, criminal, guilty, innocent, policeman, policemen, regulation

Phrases

receive a reward

for catching a criminal

awards for policemen

award two medals

regulations allowing to

claim a money reward

wanted criminal

find guilty

in the end

find innocent

after being arrested

333. WHY DID YOU RECEIVE A SIX-MONTH DRIVING BAN?

Why did you receive a **six-month** driving

For I was trying to **pursue** another car to see its license plate.

Do you intend to **appeal** against the judge's decision?

I have already filed an appeal. The **incident** was **provoked** by that driver.

Did his **automobile** strike your automobile?

His automobile nearly **struck** mine. I had to **brake** hard.

Was it a **deliberate** act on his part?

He did it **deliberately** to pass the **intersection** first. There is a video from the **scene captured** by a **security** camera!

Words

appeal, automobile, ban, brake, capture, deliberate, deliberately, incident, intersection, provoke, pursue, scene, security, six-month, speeding, struck *form*: strike)

Phrases

six-month driving ban

for speeding

pursue another car

license plate

intend to appeal against

file an appeal

provoke an incident

brake hard

deliberate act

on his part

do deliberately

pass the intersection

video from the scene

captured by a security camera

334. CAN STREET GANGS BE USEFUL IN THE FIGHT FOR CIVIL RIGHTS?

Can street **gangs** be useful in the fight for civil

No. They are evil. **Violence** must not be used to reach **noble** goals.

Do **legal** means always **yield** results?

No, but there is a “The end does not **justify** the means.”

What if the actions of the authorities are

You should demand **justice** in court.

How do I start a

Submit an **inquiry** to an attorney. They know how to launch an

Words

gang, illegal, inquiry, investigation, justice, justify, legal, noble, rights, saying, trial, violence, yield

Phrases

street gang

civil rights

reach noble goals

yield results

justify the means

demand justice

start a trial

submit an inquiry to

launch an investigation

335. WHAT ARE THE OBLIGATIONS OF AN INSURANCE COMPANY?

What are the **obligations** of an **insurance** company?

It must pay the insurance benefits.

Is it **permitted** to change the terms of the insurance

Well, why not? Most probably, the **permission** must be granted by both parties.

What if one of the parties does not **obey** the rules of the contract?

The other one may go to court.

What if a person broke the law? Do **prisoners retain** the right to be

It depends on the I think. If someone committed they might lose the right.

Words

circumstances, contract, insurance, insure, murder, obey, obligation, permission, permit, prisoner, retain

Phrases

insurance company

pay the insurance benefits

permit to change

terms of the insurance contract

grant permission

obey the rules of

prisoners retain the right to

be insured

depend on the circumstances

commit murder

lose the right

Military Service

336. DID YOU SERVE IN THE ARMY?

Did you serve in the army?

Yes, but I never **considered** it a

How long were you there?

I had a **five-year** contract.

In what **branch** of the Armed **Forces** did you serve?

In the

Didn't you want to join the

Actually, I wanted to be in the Air Force. Unfortunately, I didn't meet the

Words

branch, career, consider, five-year, force, marine, military, navy, requirement

Phrases

serve in the army

consider it a career

five-year contract

branch of the Armed Forces

in the Navy

join the Marines

be in the Air Force

meet the requirements

337. ARE THERE ANY SOLDIERS AMONG YOUR RELATIVES?

Are there any **soldiers among** your relatives?

My grandfather was a **captain** in the Navy.

Did he **participate** in

No, but my **great-grandfather** did.

Where and when did he fight?

In Europe during World **War** II.

Did he survive?

Yes, he retired after the war. I never met him. He died before I was born.

Words

among, captain, combat, great-grandfather, participate, soldier, war

Phrases

soldiers among relatives

captain in the Navy

participate in combat

World War II

retire after the war

338. WHAT ARE THE RANKS IN THE ARMY?

What are the ranks in the army?

The **lowest** rank is private.

Who's next above private?

Sergeant and Sergeant is **below** lieutenant.

What is the **highest** rank?

if I'm not

What other ranks are there?

Captain, **major** and Maybe I missed something else.

Words

below, colonel, general, highest, lieutenant, lowest, mistaken, sergeant

Phrases

ranks in the army

the lowest rank

above private

sergeant and lieutenant

below lieutenant

the highest rank

be mistaken

major and colonel

miss something

339. IS MILITARY SERVICE VOLUNTARY?

Is military service

In some countries, yes.

Can it be

Yes, it can be made **compulsory** in case of war.

Who can join the army?

All young men at the age of **18** and above.

Are women called up for service?

In some countries, yes. For example, in **Sweden** and

Words

18 (eighteen), compulsory, Israel, mandatory, Norway, Sweden, voluntary

Phrases

voluntary service

mandatory service

compulsory service

in case of war

join the army

call up for service

340. STAND AT ATTENTION!

Stand at

At Privates, have you suffered some

No, captain.

Then why are your **uniforms** so messy?

We have had **hand-to-hand**

This is a **violation** of military Who started the quarrel?

No one. The lieutenant ordered us to train fighting skills.

The training is over.

Words

disaster, discipline, dismiss, dismissed, ease, fighting, hand-to-hand, messy, uniform, violation

Phrases

stand at attention

at ease

suffer some disaster

hand-to-hand fighting

violation of

fighting skill

341. WHERE IS YOUR MILITARY BASE LOCATED?

Where is your military base located? I won't tell anyone, I

It was built in **strict** Now its **location** is not a secret anymore.

How do I locate the base on the **satellite**

Here it is. **Simply zoom** in the map to see it better.

It's an easy I am **anxious** for your safety!

Don't be. We have a powerful **defense** system.

What happens if a powerful **bomb explodes** there?

The base has several **protection** layers. It is hard to **destroy** them
by

Words

anxious, bomb, bombing, defense, destroy, explode, location, map, protection, satellite, secrecy, simply, strict, swear, target, zoom

Phrases

military base

I swear

in strict secrecy

not a secret anymore

locate the base

on the satellite map

zoom in

easy target

be anxious for

powerful defense system

explode a bomb

protection layer

destroy by bombing

342. HOW DO YOU PLAN TO DEFEAT THE ENEMY IN BATTLE?

How do you plan to **defeat** the enemy in

We have prepared our positions for an **assault** in

Do your **guards** stop enemy

Yes, they captured several

What was their

To find out if their **troops** can gain We have released one of the

Why? Was he **badly**

No, he should tell his **commanders** that a **horrible** defeat **awaits** them. I hope they will surrender!

Words

advance, assault, await, badly, battle, captive, commander, defeat, guard, horrible, mission, scout, spy, troops, victory, wound, wounded

Phrases

defeat the enemy

in battle

prepare for an assault

in advance

your guards

stop enemy spies

capture several scouts

their mission

their troops

gain victory

release a captive

badly wounded

tell his commanders

a horrible defeat awaits them

Business, Public Activity, Politics

343. WHO FOUNDED YOUR ADVERTISING AGENCY?

Who **founded** your **advertising**

Our **present** chief did. He has been the general **director** since then.

What helped him **succeed** in business?

He had a clear **objective** and knew how to achieve it.

Did he have any business

Yes, two of his friends **invested** a lot in the company.

What was the total volume of

It is difficult for me to **assess** the volume today. They put in lots of money and effort.

Words

advertising, agency, assess, associate, director, found, invest, investment, objective, politics, present, succeed

Phrases

found an advertising agency

our present chief

general director

succeed in business

clear objective

business associate

invest a lot in

volume of investments

assess the volume

344. HOW DO I START A MOVIE PRODUCTION COMPANY?

How do I start a movie **production** company?

Begin with finding a **suitable niche** in the market.

What type of movies would you **suggest** producing?

Low-budget films for corporate For example, short documentaries.

My dream is to make feature films, **namely** fantasy. What **funding** will I need?

I would **estimate** the production cost of each movie at about **100** million dollars.

Does this sum include the cost of movie

No, you will need to conclude an **agreement** with a movie They can **advertise** the movie themselves and share **profit** with you.

Words

100 (one hundred), advertise, agreement, begin, customer, distribution, distributor, estimate, funding, low-budget, namely, niche, production, profit, suggest, suitable

Phrases

movie production

begin with

suitable niche

suggest producing

low-budget film

corporate customer

feature film

namely fantasy

estimate the production cost

100 million dollars

movie distribution

conclude an agreement with

movie distributor

advertise the movie

share profit with

345. WHAT DOES THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND DO?

What does the International **Monetary Fund** do?

It lends money to member countries with **economic** problems. The goal is to prevent economic

Which country is the largest **contributor** to the Fund?

The United States contributes over **17 percent** of the total resources. It's the largest

Does the Fund monitor **global** economic

It does. it gives its **assessment** and recommendations to the governments.

Does the Fund work

Yes, it **promotes stable** economic growth. Besides, it helps to reduce global

Words

17 (seventeen), assessment, contribute, contribution, contributor, crises, crisis, economic, effectively, fund, furthermore, global, monetary, percent, poverty, stable, trend

Phrases

International Monetary Fund

member country

economic problem

prevent an economic crisis

the largest contributor to

17 percent of

the largest contribution

global economic trend

give assessment

recommendation to the government

work effectively

promote stable economic growth

reduce poverty

346. I WOULD LIKE TO START AN EXPORT AND IMPORT COMPANY

I would like to start an export and import company.

Are you familiar with all **aspects** of international trade?

Not all, but I worked in a team of trade agents for three months.

Which products did the team

Raw materials to **overseas** factories. More specifically, Now I want to supply it myself.

Do you have your own

Just one for now. He is the **chairman** of the board of directors of a furniture factory.

That's a good start, but this business requires **long-term** planning. Try to **calculate** the profit and the **associated** risks!

Words

aspect, associated, calculate, chairman, client, long-term, overseas, raw, supply, timber

Phrases

export and import company

all aspects of

trade agent

raw material

overseas factory

your own client

chairman of the board of directors

long-term planning

calculate the profit

associated risk

347. HAVE YOU PREPARED A PRESENTATION ON THE LABOR MARKET?

Have you prepared a **presentation** on the **labor** market?

Yes, I have **outlined** the information **using**

Is the **percentage** of young workers shown there?

Yes, and a **summary** of **suggestions** about their career **development** is given.

What aspects of market development did you

I **summarized** information about changes in the rate of unemployment.

What about shifts in the **wealth** distribution?

This data was not However, we can **discuss** this topic, too.

Words

chart, develop, development, discuss, emphasize, labor, outline, percentage, presentation, request, suggestion, summarize, summary, using, wealth

Phrases

prepare a presentation on

labor market

outline information

using charts

the percentage of

summary of suggestions

career development

summarize information about

changes in

shifts in the wealth distribution

discuss a topic

348. IS THE CONSUMER MARKET DEVELOPING SUCCESSFULLY NOW?

Is the **consumer** market developing **successfully** now?

People **consume** more, but the **saving ratio**

Is it good from the economic

It can increase the standard of living in the

What will be the **outcome** in the long run?

Fewer funds will be available for investment. The economy may enter a dangerous development

What **arrangements** are made at present to deal with the economic problems?

The **emphasis** is on **recycling** waste and other technical I think this is a short-sighted

Words

arrangement, consume, consumer, decline, emphasis, fewer, outcome, perspective, phase, policy, ratio, recycling, saving, short-term, solution, successfully

Phrases

consumer market

develop successfully

consume more

saving ratio declines

economic perspective

in the short-term

the outcome in the long run

fewer funds

available for investment

development phase

arrangements are made

the emphasis is on

recycling waste

technical solution

short-sighted policy

349. HAVE YOU JOINED THE ASSOCIATION OF ENTREPRENEURS?

Have you joined the **Association** of

Yes, I **became** a member of the **Administration Committee** a few months ago.

Are you an employee or a

I am a volunteer. My task is to look for **supporters** of the business

Do you look for them **via** the web?

Yes, but this is not the only I also attend various conference

Do you **expect** any profit from this activity in future?

No, I just want it to **impact** the small business sector. It should **expand**

Words

administration, association, became, committee, community, entrepreneur, expand, expect, impact, medium, significantly, supporter, venue, via, volunteer

Phrases

became a member of

Administration Committee

an employee or a volunteer

look for supporters

business community

via the web

the only medium

conference venue

expect profit from

impact the small business sector

expand significantly

350. OUR COMPETITORS HAVE ISSUED A NEW PRESS RELEASE

Our **competitors** have issued a new **press** release. Have you read it?

Not yet. Did they **declare** any new

The press release **informs** that their company is **intending** to be the **leader** in the

It's a **bold** How are they going to take

As expected, they will **finance** the **transition** to new technologies.

We joined the **technological revolution** long before them. What else?

Their Board of Directors has **elected** a new

We must take this into The new leader can change the **entire**

Words

bold, competitor, consideration, declare, elect, entire, finance, industry, inform, initiative, intending, leader, leadership, president, press, revolution, statement, strategy, technological, transition

Phrases

our competitor

issue a new press release

declare a new initiative

inform that

intend to be

the leader in the industry

bold statement

take leadership

as expected

finance the transition to

new technologies

technological revolution

long before

elect a new President

take into consideration

change the entire strategy

351. HOW MANY PARTICIPANTS OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC CONGRESS PARTICIPATE IN DEBATES?

How many **participants** of the National Economic **Congress** participate in

I do not have the **exact** but we **marketers** are clearly a

How many **clauses** are included in the

Ten. I **confirmed participation** in three meetings.

What was the **criterion** of choice?

I selected the events where the **representatives** of the **leading** agencies will

Are you going to take part in the debates?

Yes, I will **represent** our point of view. However, my **prime** goal is different. I **seek** new marketing ideas!

Words

agenda, clause, confirm, congress, criterion, debate, exact, gather, leading, marketer, minority, participant, participation, prime, represent, representative, seek, statistics

Phrases

participants of

Economic Congress

participate in debates

exact statistics

clearly a minority

many clauses

include in the agenda

confirm participation in

the criterion of choice

select the events

representatives of

the leading agencies

represent our point of view

my prime goal

seek new ideas

352. WOULD YOU LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONTEST “IF I WERE MAYOR”?

Would you like to participate in the **contest** “If I Were

No, I would like to run a real **election**

You do not qualify to register as a candidate. You are too young!

Yes, the **federal** law **imposes** some Age is one of them.

It is **implied** that young people lack life experience.

We should **oppose** this notion. The election **procedure** is unfair!

Do you want to start the **protest**

No. I just need to make my **presence felt** and **explore** the possibilities of

Words

campaign, contest, election, explore, federal, felt, imply, impose, mayor, movement, oppose, presence, procedure, protest, restriction,

self-promotion

Phrases

participate in the contest

if I were mayor

election campaign

qualify to

register as a candidate

federal law

impose some restrictions

It is implied that...

oppose this notion

election procedure

protest movement

make my presence felt

explore the possibilities of self-promotion

353. DO YOU FANCY YOURSELF A PUBLIC FIGURE?

Do you **fancy** yourself a public figure? A member of the city **council** or another

Well, this might be just the starting point of my **political** career.

What is your **ultimate** goal in politics? Do you want to **govern** a region?

No. To be a **governor** is just one of possible stages.

Would you like to be elected to the

Yes, that's a part of my strategy. But being a **senator** is not the highest goal.

Let me guess. Do you want to gain executive power to govern the whole

Yes, I want to be the President! I am ready for a long-term When I win, you will be my press

Words

council, fancy, govern, governor, institution, nation, political, secretary, senate, senator, struggle, ultimate

Phrases

fancy yourself

city council

another institution

political career

ultimate goal

govern a region

be a governor

one of possible stages

be elected to the Senate

being a senator

gain executive power

the whole nation

long-term struggle

my press secretary

354. IS THE UNITED KINGDOM AN ABSOLUTE MONARCHY?

Is the United **Kingdom** an **absolute**

No, it's a **constitutional** monarchy, as opposed to many other

Who is the most powerful **politician** in the

The Prime He or she is the head of the government.

Do people **vote** for him or her directly?

No, they vote for members of The **current** Prime Minister is the leader of the **Conservative** Party, which got most seats in the election.

Does the Prime Minister maintain contact with the Queen on a **continuous** basis?

They meet once a week for **discussion** of current affairs of state. However, it's the Prime Minister who makes decisions.

Words

absolute, conservative, constitutional, continuous, current,
democracy, discussion, kingdom, minister, monarchy, parliament,
politician, UK, vote

Phrases

the United Kingdom

absolute monarchy

constitutional monarchy

as opposed to

other democracies

powerful politician

in the UK

the Prime Minister

vote for

members of parliament

the current Prime Minister

the Conservative Party

maintain contact with

on a continuous basis

discussion of current affairs of state

355. WHAT FACTORS INDICATE THE EXISTENCE OF FREEDOM IN A COUNTRY?

What factors **indicate** the existence of **freedom** in a country?

One of the key **indicators** is free and **competitive** elections.

Are **mass** arrests of **opponents** **consistent** with the law?

Of course not! The **opposition** must have the right to hold **peaceful**

What if mass protests lead to the **collapse** of the economy?

The **catastrophe** can be prevented Violent **suppression** will not help.

This is in **contrast** with reality. There are still **brutal dictators** in the world.

They live in **constant** fear of a And yet, it happens

Words

brutal, catastrophe, collapse, competitive, consistent, constant, contrast, demonstration, dictator, differently, freedom, indicate, indicator, mass, opponent, opposition, peaceful, rebellion, suddenly, suppression

Phrases

indicate the existence of

freedom in a country

the key indicator

competitive elections

mass arrests of opponents

consistent with the law

hold peaceful demonstrations

protests lead to

collapse of the economy

prevent differently

prevent a catastrophe

violent suppression

in contrast with

brutal dictator

in constant fear of a rebellion

happen suddenly

Weather and Environment

356. LOOK OUT OF THE WINDOW

Look out of the window. Is the weather good?

The weather is fine!

Is it hot?

No, it's warm!

Has the **fog** disappeared?

Yes, the sky is blue.

Is the **sun** shining?

Yes, and the birds are singing!

Words

disappear, environment, fog, shine, sun

Phrases

Look out of...

The weather is...

357. WHAT IS THE WEATHER LIKE TODAY?

What is the weather like today?

It's bad.

Is it raining?

Not yet, but the sky is covered with

Is the wind blowing?

Yes, there's a strong wind.

Shall we go for a walk?

No way!

Words

cloud

Phrases

not yet

cover with

strong wind

go for a walk

no way

358. WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE WEATHER?

What is your favorite weather?

Sunny and warm.

Do you like

Yes, only if it is not too hot.

Are you afraid of a

No, I'm afraid of getting a

Have you got sunburned yet?

Many times!

Words

sunbathe, sunburn, sunny, sunstroke

Phrases

favorite weather

like sunbathing

get a sunburn

many times

359. IS IT RAINING?

Is it raining?

No, it stopped.

Open the window, please.

Why?

The room is

There's wind outside!

I want to breathe some fresh air.

Sorry, I'm afraid of the

Words

draft, stuffy

Phrases

open the window

breathe some fresh air

be afraid of the draft

360. WHAT IS THE WEATHER FORECAST FOR TOMORROW?

What is the weather **forecast** for tomorrow?

It's going to **snow** in the morning.

Will there be strong

Not strong. Are you afraid of

Yes, my hands **froze** yesterday.

Put on the warm

My legs were too.

Wear warm boots and socks!

Words

forecast, freeze, frost, froze, frozen, glove, snow

Phrases

the weather forecast for

snow in the morning

strong frost

be afraid of freezing

my hands froze

warm gloves

361. WHAT'S THAT NOISE OUTSIDE?

What's that noise

The **thunder** is

Is there a **storm** coming?

That's what it looks like.

Look, there are flashes over the

Yes, those are **bolts** of

Something is **drumming** on the roof! Can you hear it?

I hear it. Hail has **begun** to fall!

Words

begun *form*: begin), bolt, drum, drumming, horizon, lightning, rattle, storm, thunder

Phrases

noise outside

flashes over the horizon

bolts of lightning

drum on the roof

362. WHAT WEATHER DO YOU NOT LIKE?

What weather do you not like?

Summer I **sweat** too much in summer!

It was really hot in the summer last year. Do you like winter?

No, I freeze in winter.

How about autumn?

It rains in autumn. I get wet.

Is there something wrong in spring, too?

Yes, I'm allergic to **herbs** and some other plants!

Words

heat, herb, sweat

Phrases

summer heat

sweat too much

in the summer

freeze in winter

something wrong

in spring

allergic to herbs

363. WHAT IS THE AIR TEMPERATURE OUTSIDE?

What is the air temperature outside?

Four degrees **Celsius** above It's **39** degrees

In the sun?

No, in the shadow.

What was the temperature in the morning?

Three degrees below zero. That is, 26 degrees Fahrenheit.

Why did it **rise** so fast?

The wind changed. Now it's blowing from the south, not from the north!

Words

39 (thirty-nine), Celsius, degree, Fahrenheit, rise, zero

Phrases

air temperature outside

degrees Celsius

above zero

degrees Fahrenheit

in the sun

in the shadow

degrees below zero

rise so fast

blow from the south

not from the north

364. WHAT DOES THIS DIAGRAM SHOW?

What does this **diagram** show?

Massive changes to the environment on a global

What does the yellow line

The expanding of

What is the **dark** blue line?

The level of **environmental**

What does this **warning** symbol indicate?

Dangerous **solar** activity.

Words

dark, denote, desert, diagram, environmental, massive, pollution, scale, solar, warning

Phrases

massive changes to

on a global scale

yellow line

expanding of deserts

dark blue

environmental pollution

warning symbol

solar activity

365. IS CLIMATE CHANGE AN EXTRAORDINARY PHENOMENON?

Is **climate** change an extraordinary

No, it's a **usual** process divided into periods by

Do the periods take turns

It is hard to determine their

When **approximately** was the last **sudden** change?

I can't say for sure. Climate change has happened **throughout** the history of the

How long will the present period last?

I'm afraid this is

Words

approximately, climate, convention, earth, frequency, frequently, phenomenon, sudden, throughout, unknown, usual

Phrases

climate change

extraordinary phenomenon

usual process

divide into periods

by convention

take turns frequently

determine frequency

when approximately

the last sudden change

throughout the history of the Earth

be unknown

366. WHEN DID THE GLOBAL WARMING BECOME AN ENORMOUS PROBLEM?

When did the global **warming** become an **enormous** problem?

The problem **emerged** in the last couple This was not a problem

Did **glaciers** start **melting** faster?

Not only that. The number of **tropical** storms and **hurricanes** has increased.

Is it clear now what caused the warming? Was the Sun too Or was the **Moon** too close to the Earth?

Neither. It is **generally** accepted that the warming is caused by the **greenhouse** effect. Many research findings confirm that theory.

Should humans **adapt** to new conditions or try to **preserve** the environment as is?

There's too much **dirt** in the air. We must ensure the **overall reduction** of harmful gas. Besides, we should stop the pollution of water and

Words

adapt, bright, decade, dirt, emerge, emission, enormous, generally, glacier, greenhouse, hurricane, melt, moon, overall, preserve, previously, reduction, soil, tropical, warming

Phrases

global warming

enormous problem

the problem emerged

in the last couple decades

glaciers start melting

tropical storm

too bright

generally accepted

greenhouse effect

confirm the theory

humans adapt to

new condition

preserve the environment

as is

dirt in the air

overall reduction of

gas emission

pollution of water and soil

Time

367. HOW MANY SECONDS ARE THERE IN A MINUTE?

How many **seconds** are there in a minute?

Sixty seconds.

How many minutes are there in an hour?

Sixty, too.

How many seconds are there in an hour?

I don't know.

Multiply sixty by sixty!

Let me think... Three thousand six hundred seconds!

Words

second, sixty

Phrases

How many seconds...

in a minute

How many minutes...

in an hour

368. HOW MUCH TIME A DAY CAN YOU SPEND ON STUDYING?

How much time a day can you spend on studying?

A little, I guess.

Let's do the math. How many hours a day do you spend in the office?

Eight hours. And three hours to get there and back.

Eight plus three is eleven. What else do you do?

I need five hours to rest and eat.

In total, There are **twenty-four** hours in a day. How much is left?

Twenty-four **minus** sixteen is eight. Wow, that's a lot!

Words

minus, sixteen, twenty-four

Phrases

How much time a day...

spend on studying

do the math

How many hours a day...

spend in the office

eight hours

get there and back

twenty-four hours

369. HOW MANY DAYS ARE THERE IN A WEEK?

How many days are there in a week?

Seven days.

Can you name weekdays?

Tuesday, **Thursday** and

What days are considered the weekend?

Saturday and Sunday.

What's the first day of the week in America?

Sunday. Monday is the second day!

Words

Friday, Monday, Thursday, Wednesday

Phrases

How many days...

in a week

seven days

name weekdays

the first day of the week

the second day

370. A YEAR HAS 12 MONTHS. WHICH OF THEM ARE WINTER?

A year has 12 Which of them are winter?

January and

Which are the spring ones?

April, May.

Name the summer months!

And finally, autumn?

October and That's it, there are no more!

Words

August, December, February, finally, July, June, March, November,
October, September

Phrases

12 (twelve) months

Which of them are...

summer months

that's it

no more

371. WHAT CENTURY DO WE LIVE IN?

What century do we live in?

In the **twenty-first** century.

In what century were your parents born?

In the **20th** century.

When did **Columbus discover** America?

In the **fifteenth** century.

In the fifteenth century **AD** or

AD, of course!

Words

20th (twentieth), AD, BC, Columbus, discover, fifteenth, twenty-first

Phrases

the twenty-first century

the twentieth century

discover America

the fifteenth century AD

372. WHERE DID YOUR ANCESTORS LIVE A THOUSAND YEARS AGO?

Where did your **ancestors** live a thousand years ago?

I have no idea.

When did humans appear on Earth?

Hundreds of thousands of years ago.

When did **dinosaurs** live?

Millions of years ago.

How old is our planet?

Four and a half **billion** years old.

Words

ancestor, billion, dinosaur

Phrases

your ancestors

a thousand years ago

appear on Earth

hundreds of thousands of years

millions of years

four and a half billion years

373. WHAT IS THE BEGINNING OF THE UNIVERSE CALLED?

What is the **beginning** of the **universe** called?

The Big

Did it look like a **nuclear** explosion in space?

No. In fact, there was no bang. It was a **vast expansion** of space.

When was such a **discovery** made?

In the twentieth century. It was **entirely**

So, it's a theory. When did the **exploration** of the universe begin?

With the **emergence** of I believe. Our ancestors stared into the **depth** of the universe for centuries.

Words

bang, beginning, depth, discovery, emergence, entirely, expansion, exploration, humankind, nuclear, theoretical, universe, vast

Phrases

the beginning of the universe

the Big Bang

nuclear explosion

in space

vast expansion

make a discovery

entirely theoretical

exploration of the universe

emergence of humankind

into the depth of

for centuries

Countries and Languages

374. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ABROAD?

Have you ever been abroad?

Yes, many times. To countries in the **West** and in the East.

Where did you go?

To America, Europe,

So, have you been to every

Yes, except

It must have cost you a lot of money!

On the contrary, I make money when traveling. I'm an interpreter!

Words

Africa, Antarctica, Asia, Australia, continent, west

Phrases

countries in the West

every continent

except Antarctica

375. WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU WERE ABROAD?

When was the last time you were abroad?

Last week. I got back home three days ago.

Which country did you go to?

It's in South America.

Yeah, I know. What is the **official** language there? Spanish?

No, but many people understand Spanish there.

Are any other languages **spoken** there?

Yes, **Brazilian Indians** still speak their own languages.

Words

Brazil, Brazilian, Indian, official, Portuguese, spoken *form*: speak)

Phrases

get back home

three days ago

in South America

official language

understand Spanish

spoken language

Brazilian Indians

their own languages

376. WHEN WERE YOU IN NORTH AMERICA?

When were you in North America?

Two weeks ago, I **flew** to **Canada** and the United States.

What languages are most spoken in Canada?

English and French.

And in the United States?

English and Spanish.

Have you been to too?

No, not once. I will go there next year.

Words

Canada, flew *form*: fly), Mexico

Phrases

in North America

flow to Canada

most spoken

not once

377. WHAT COUNTRIES DID YOU VISIT LAST MONTH?

What countries did you visit last month?

Armenia and

Are they located in Europe or Asia?

I would say, between Europe and Asia.

What languages do they speak in Armenia?

Armenian is the official language, but many speak Russian.

What about Georgia?

There are several languages, but the main one is

Words

Armenia, Armenian, Georgia, Georgian

Phrases

located in Europe

between Europe and Asia

several languages

378. IS AUSTRALIA A CONTINENT OR A COUNTRY?

Is Australia a continent or a country?

This is both a continent and a country.

What is the official language there?

There is no official language in Australia.

What language does the majority of the **population** speak?

Australian English.

Do the **Americans** and the British understand it?

Yes, with no By the way, they can obtain an electronic **visa** for traveling to Australia!

Words

Americans, Australian, population, trouble, visa

Phrases

both a continent and a country

the majority of the population

Australian English

with no trouble

electronic visa

379. WHICH EUROPEAN COUNTRIES HAVE YOU VISITED?

Which **European** countries have you visited?

Have you been to **Asian** countries, too?

Yes, Japan and South

What about **African** countries?

I've been to **Egypt** and South Africa.

What other countries would you like to go to?

Great the **Czech Republic** and about a hundred others!

Words

African, Asian, Britain, Czech, Egypt, European, France, Germany, Italy, Korea, republic, Spain

Phrases

European countries

Asian countries

African countries

South Africa

Great Britain

the Czech Republic

380. HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW GEOGRAPHY?

How well do you know

Very well, I think. I have a big world map on the wall at home.

Is its scale indicated in miles or

Both. The scale is one **centimeter** to one hundred kilometers, or about 62 miles.

Let's check your knowledge. What country is to the west of

They both lie entirely in the **Southern**

Correct. What country is to the east of

Those are **Arab** countries lying in North Africa.

Words

62 (sixty-two), Algeria, Arab, Argentina, centimeter, Chile, geography, hemisphere, kilometer, Libya, southern

Phrases

know geography

world map

on the wall

indicated in miles

one centimeter to one hundred kilometers

check your knowledge

to the west of Argentina

lie entirely in

the Southern Hemisphere

to the east of Algeria

Arab countries

in North Africa

381. ARE THERE MANY IMMIGRANTS IN YOUR COUNTRY?

Are there many **immigrants** in your country?

I don't know about the whole country. There are few of them in our

Do they speak your language?

They do badly. It is difficult to **eliminate** the communication **gap** between us.

Do you know anything about their **customs** and traditions?

Sometimes they hold some **annual** celebrations. One of the celebrations starts at That's all I know.

Have you tried to establish an **immediate** contact with any of them?

No, I don't speak their language. Besides, some of them arrived in the country so they avoid contact with

Words

annual, custom, district, eliminate, gap, illegally, immediate, immigrant, midnight

Phrases

many immigrants in

the whole country

in our district

eliminate the communication gap between

customs and traditions

hold annual celebrations

start at midnight

all I know

establish an immediate contact with

arrive in the country illegally

avoid contact with strangers

382. WHEN ARE YOU GOING ON A JOURNEY ACROSS EUROPE?

When are you going on a **journey** across Europe?

Next month. My wife will **accompany** me. She loves taking photos of landscapes.

Will you cross the **external** borders of the European Union?

No, even though we will visit an **island** in the It belongs to an **EU** country.

Have you booked a hotel room?

Yes, I have booked a **double** room.

Will you bring home some Small national for instance?

Certainly. I also want to make a collection of coins of **regional**

Words

accompany, currency, double, EU, external, flag, island, journey, Mediterranean, regional, souvenir

Phrases

go on a journey

across Europe

next month

accompany me

photos of landscapes

external border

the European Union

even though

island in the Mediterranean

EU country

book a hotel room

book a double room

bring home some souvenirs

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