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A world of difference

Tenses: auxiliary verbs • What's in a word? • Everyday situations

VIDEO A world in one family

Answers

2. When and where were you born?
3. Do you live in a house or an apartment?
4. Why are you studying English?
5. Which foreign countries have you been to?
6. What did you do last night?
7. What are you going to do after this class?

Answers and audio script

1. a 2. c 3. a 4. c 5. b 6. b 7. c 8. b 9. c 10. a 11. b 12. c

CD 2

One World Quiz

- A In which country do men and women live the longest?

B Women and men live longest in Japan. Women live on average 86 years and men 79. The average life expectancy in Japan is 81.25 years. In the U.S. it is 77.8 and in Germany 78.8.
- A In which year did the world population reach 7 billion?

B The world population reached 7 billion in 2012. There are now over 7.3 billion people in the world.
- A If you are standing on the equator, how many hours of daylight do you have?

B If you are standing at the equator, you have 12 hours of daylight every day of the year. You also experience the fastest sunrise and sunset in the world, between 128 and 142 seconds depending on the time of year.
- A Where does most of the world's oil come from?

B Most of the world's oil comes from the U.S. It produces 12 million barrels per day. Saudi Arabia produces 11 million, and Russia 9.2 million.
- A Which of the seven wonders of the world is still standing?

B Of the seven wonders of the ancient world only the pyramids of Egypt are still standing. The Colossus of Rhodes and the Lighthouse of Alexandria were destroyed by earthquakes hundreds of years ago.
- A Why didn't dinosaurs attack humans?

B Dinosaurs didn't attack humans because they became extinct 65 million years ago. Human beings didn't appear on earth until 130,000 years ago.

7. A Where was the Titanic sailing to when it sank?
B The Titanic was sailing to New York from Southampton when it hit an iceberg on April 14th, 1912.
8. A How long has Hawaii been a U.S. state?
B Hawaii has been a U.S. state since 1959. It was the 50th state to be admitted to the union.
9. A How many people have won the Nobel Peace prize since it started in 1901?
B 103 people have won the Nobel Peace prize since it started in 1901. These include Nelson Mandela in 1993 and Mother Teresa in 1979.*
10. A How long have people been using the Internet?
B People have been using the Internet since 1969. It was invented by the U.S. Department of Defense as a means of communication. It first went live in October 1969, with communications between the University of California and the Stanford Research Institute.
11. A Which language is spoken by the most people in the world?
B Chinese is spoken by the most people in the world. Over one billion people speak it. English is the second most spoken language in the world, with about half a billion speakers.
12. A In which country were women first given the vote?
B New Zealand was the first country in the world to give women the vote in 1893. Canadian women were given the vote in 1917, but women in Paraguay weren't allowed to vote until 1961.
- * These figures are correct up to 2014.

Answers

The Simple Present and Simple Past use *do/does/did* to form questions and negatives.

The Present Continuous and Past Continuous use the verb *to be*. We also use *to be* in passive forms.

The Present Perfect and Continuous use *have/has*.

Answers and audio script



- A: Cluchen Itza is in Costa Rica.
B: No, it's not. It's in Mexico.
- A: Shakespeare didn't write poems.
B: You're wrong. He wrote hundreds of poems, not just plays.
- A: Vegetarians eat meat.
B: Of course they don't eat meat. They only eat vegetables and sometimes fish.
- A: The internet doesn't provide much information.
B: That's not true! It provides a lot. Sometimes I think that it provides too much!
- A: The world is getting colder.
B: It isn't getting colder, it's getting hotter. Haven't you heard of global warming?
- A: John F. Kennedy was traveling by plane when he was killed.
B: No, you're wrong. He wasn't traveling by plane. He was traveling by car. In Dallas, Texas.
- A: Brazil has never won the World Cup.
B: Brazil has won it, five times. My dad goes on about it all the time.
- A: The 2012 Summer Olympics were held in Tokyo.
B: No, they weren't held in Tokyo. They were held in London.

Answers

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| 1. is (Present Continuous) | 4. has (Present Perfect) |
| 2. has (Present Perfect) | 5. is (Present Continuous) |
| 3. is (Simple Present) | 6. is (Passive) |

Answers and audio script

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|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. has (Present Perfect) | 4. is (Present Continuous) |
| 2. is (Present Continuous) | 5. has (Present Perfect) |
| 3. has (Present Perfect) | 6. is (Passive) |



- My brother's just started a new job.
- He's working in South America.
- He's been there three months.
- He's having a great time.
- He's never worked overseas before.
- His company's called Intext Worldwide.

Answers

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| 1. do (Simple Present) | 6. were (Past Continuous) |
| 2. did (Simple Past) | 7. don't (Simple Present) |
| 3. does (Simple Present) | 8. didn't (Simple Past) |
| 4. is... is (Present Continuous) | 9. have (Present Perfect) |
| 5. have (Present Perfect) | 10. were (Past passive) |

Answer and audio script

Lily sounds more polite because she uses short answers rather than saying just yes or no.



R = Ruth N = Nick L = Lily

R: So, kids, did you have a good day at school?

N: No.

L: Yes, I did. We were practicing for the school concert.

R: Oh, wonderful! Do you have a lot of homework?

L: Ugh! Yes, I do. I have Geography, Spanish, and Math! Do you have a lot, Nick?

N: Yeah.

R: Nick, did you remember your soccer uniform?

N: Um...

L: No, he didn't. He forgot it again.

R: Oh, Nick, you know we need to wash it. Are you playing soccer tomorrow?

N: No.

R: Lily, do you need your uniform tomorrow?

L: Yes, I do. I have a softball game after school. We're playing our rival team.

R: Didn't they beat you last time?

L: Yes, they did. But we'll beat them tomorrow.

N: No, you won't! Your team's terrible.

R: OK. That's enough, children. Put on your seatbelts! Let's go!

Possible answers

1. Yes, I did. It was great!
2. Yes, I do. I eat pizza a lot.
3. No, I didn't. I thought it was boring.
4. Yes, it has. It's beautiful and sunny now.

CD 6

R = Ruth N = Nick L = Lily

R So, kids, did you have a good day at school?

N No, I didn't. Not really. We didn't have any of my favorite subjects.

L Yes, I did. We were practicing for the school concert.

R Oh, wonderful! Do you have a lot of homework?

L Ugh! Yes, I do. I have Geography, Spanish, and Math! Do you have a lot, Nick?

N Yes, I do. I have to work on my science project. I have to finish by Friday!

R Nick, did you remember your soccer uniform?

N Oh no, I didn't—sorry, mom.

R Oh, Nick, you know we need to wash it. Are you playing soccer tomorrow?

N No, I'm not, thank goodness. The game was cancelled.

R Lily, do you need your uniform tomorrow?

L Yes, I do. I have a softball game after school. We're playing our rival team.

R Didn't they beat you last time?

L Yes, they did. But we'll beat them tomorrow.

N Ummm—I'm not so sure about that.

R OK. That's enough, children. Put on your seatbelts! Let's go!

Answers and audio script**CD 7**

1. A: Did you hear that noise?

B: Yes, I did. I think it was thunder.

2. A: Are you doing anything tonight?

B: No, I'm not. Do you want to come over?

3. A: Have you seen my cell phone anywhere?

B: No, I haven't. Did you lose it again?

4. A: Did you get those shoes you liked?

B: No, I didn't. They didn't have my size.

5. A: Is it time for a break?

B: Yes, it is. Thank goodness!

Answers

1. Rae comes from Canada and he speaks French and English.
2. Which subjects is Susan studying in school?
3. "Do you like soccer?" "Yes, I do."
4. Did you watch the game last night?
5. What do your parents do on the weekend?
6. I think it's going to rain.
7. What were you talking to the teacher about?
8. I don't think John's arrived yet.

Answers

The Kamaus

1. In a small town called Ongata Rongai near Nairobi, in a two-bedroom apartment.
2. Since 1996.
3. Boniface is a taxi driver, and Pauline is a dressmaker. They don't earn much money.
4. Rent, helping parents and brothers and sisters, school fees.
5. Joyce is in her third year of school. Sharon will start preschool next year. They often only see their father on weekends. Joyce wants to be a doctor.
6. They've known each other since 1994.
7. Boniface's parents don't work. He is more successful than his brothers and sisters, so he has to help them out financially.
8. They want to give their children a good education. Pauline wants to start her own dressmaking business. Boniface wants to build a house in the suburbs of Nairobi.

The Qus

1. In a house in central Beijing, in one of the ancient Hutong alleyways.
2. The family has lived there for 70 years.
3. Qu is a propaganda officer at the municipal services bureau, and Liu works at the No. 3 computer factory. They don't earn much money.
4. They are saving it to pay for their daughter's education.
5. Chen is an only child, and she is lonely. She is also bright and well-balanced. She is applying to study at the prestigious Beijing University. She wants to study archaeology.
6. They have known each other since childhood.
7. Qu's father is the center of the family. He lives with Qu and Liu. Qu's brothers and their families visit most weekends. They are very close.
8. They want to give their child a good education, so they live frugally. Qu wants to support the traditional way of life and hospitality of families who live in the alleyways.

Possible answers

1. **Similarities:** Both families want to give their child/children a good education. Neither family earns much money. Both have to support other members of their family.

Differences: The Kamaus have two children, but the Qus have only one. Both parents work in the Qu family, but only Boniface currently works in the Kamau family. The Kamau family wants to get away from the area where they live, but the Qus would like to stay.

2. The Kamaus have moved from a slum to a better area. Boniface won some money which allowed him to learn to drive and become a taxi driver.

In China, much of the traditional housing where the Qus live has been demolished. The relaxed routine of the area is changing as the whole of China is experiencing rapid change. The traditional family structure is disappearing.

3. The Kamaus are often stressed about money. They want to raise their children in better conditions.

The Qus are sad that Chen is an only child. They are concerned about having enough money for their daughter's education. Qu is concerned about the changes in Chinese society and the family.

Answers

The Kamaus

1. dressmaker
2. single-story
3. slum
4. communal
5. cracked
6. stressed

The Qus

1. cherished
2. frail
3. alleyways
4. demolition
5. close-knit
6. frugally



I = Interviewer X = Xavier

I So, Xavier—how old are you?

X I'm 21.

I And I know you have an interesting background. What nationality are you?

X Well, I have an American passport ...

I ... so you're American, but your parents—what nationality are your parents?

X Well, my dad's Peruvian. He was born in Peru, in South America, but he's had an American passport for the last 20 years. My mom was born in Spain, in the Basque country, and she still has her Spanish passport.

I So, how did they meet and end up having children in the U.S.?

X Ummm ... they met when they were both studying English in the U.S. Ummm ... and um ... and about three years after that that they got married and here I am, and then my brother.

I And what was it like growing up in the U.S. with a Spanish mother and a Peruvian father?

X I don't think I actually noticed nationality for years—ummm ... probably the first time I really noticed a difference was in high school. The U.S. was playing Spain in the 2004 Olympic Games, and my classmates made me choose which country to support.

I So which country did you support?

X I stayed neutral. Actually, I didn't care which team won.

I And which nationality do you feel now?

X I'd say I was American—um ... but I'm also very proud of my parents' heritage, half Basque and half Peruvian. I like that.

I What contact have you had with your family abroad?

X Well, I've only actually been to Spain once—um ... when I was a baby. I've had more contact on my dad's side. My Peruvian grandparents visit us in the U.S., and when I was growing up, we always went to Peru in the summer, and ...

I Very nice.

X ... and if I'm home I speak to them—um, to my grandparents, on the phone—um ... maybe once a week.

I And do you think that your Spanish heritage has influenced you at all?

X Well, yes, I think so. I think it influenced my degree choice. I'm studying modern languages at Syracuse University—Spanish and French. I'm in my third year. I have one more year to do.

I And what are you hoping to do in the future?

X Umm—That's a very good question. Um ... hopefully, a job that offers some kind of opportunity to travel, but ultimately, I want to settle down for good in the U.S. I've always been interested in my background, but I think that I realize the U.S. is my home and it is where I see myself living.

I Thank you very much, Xavier.

X You're welcome.

Answers and audio script

1. Xavier is American, Ana is Spanish, and Teo is Peruvian. They live in New York.
2. They met in the street on the way to the college where they were both studying. Teo offered Ana a ride, but she refused. They ended up in the same class at the college. They decided to live in the U.S. because Teo had a job there, and they wanted a place between Spain and Peru.
3. Xavier noticed his nationality when he was in high school. The U.S. was playing Spain in the 2004 Olympic Games, and his classmates made him choose which country to support. He stayed neutral.
4. When they were children, even though their parents spoke to them in Spanish, they always replied in English.
5. Xavier has been to Peru once. He went there when he was 18 months old. James has never been to Peru.
6. Xavier's grandparents visit them in the U.S., and he used to go to Spain in the summer for two or three weeks. He speaks to his grandparents about once a week.
7. Xavier is studying Spanish and French. James is going to study biology.
8. Xavier is hoping to work in foreign affairs. He's planning to live in the U.S.
9. James has just finished school. He's been working in a restaurant saving money to go traveling. He's going to travel to Spain before starting college.
10. It's good because you can take the best things from both cultures, but her sons will never feel 100% American because their parents aren't American. It's very tricky.

CD 9

I = Interviewer A = Ana

I Ana, you're Spanish, aren't you?

A Yes, I am. I'm from Bilbao, in the Basque country.

I And how long have you lived here in New York?

A Um... 23 years.

I And how did that happen?

A Well, I wanted to improve my English so I came to the U.S. to study. Originally, I came for six months but—um... I met my husband—um... we met at college—actually, we met on the way to the college, in the street.

I You met in the street?

A Yes, it was the first day and I was walking up the hill to the college and Teo, that's my husband, was driving up the hill, and he stopped and offered me a ride, which I refused.

- I: You refused?
- A: Yes, but we ended up in the same class. I went into the class, and there he was.
- I: And your husband's from Peru, isn't he?
- A: Yes, he is.
- I: So that means you speak the same language?
- A: Yes, Spanish.
- I: So, why did you decide to live in the U.S.?
- A: Well, mainly because my husband had a job here and, um—we kind of decided we wanted a place in the middle, between Spain and Peru.
- I: A nice idea. And you have two sons.
- A: Yes, I do. Xavier is 21, nearly 22, and James is 19.
- I: So, what's it been like for them growing up in the U.S. with parents of different nationality?
- A: Well, I think because we live in New York, a cosmopolitan city, they didn't notice it too much.
- I: They are both bilingual presumably?
- A: No, not really.
- I: Oh.
- A: ... because, when they were children, even though we spoke to them in Spanish, they always replied in English.
- I: Um, interesting. Tell me, how much contact has your family here had with the families in Spain and Peru?
- A: I think more with my husband's family in Peru because it's closer. We always spent summer there—um—two or three weeks usually.
- I: And the Spanish side?
- A: Well, I keep in touch all the time, but my family has never been here.
- I: Never?
- A: Never. We went to Spain once when Xavier was 18 months old. James has never been.
- I: So what are the children doing now?
- A: Xavier's in college and James just finished high school. He's been working in a restaurant, saving money to travel.
- I: And what do they want to do in the future?
- A: Well, James, he's going to travel to Spain at last! Then he's going to college to study Biology.
- I: And Xavier?
- A: I think he wants to work in foreign affairs.
- I: Ana, is it possible to sum up the pros and cons of bringing up a family in another country?
- A: Well, I think in a way it's good because you can take the best things from both cultures, but I don't think my sons will ever feel 100% American because their parents aren't American. It's very tricky.

Sample answers

Pros: You and your children can learn another language.
You get to experience a different way of life.
People learn to be more open-minded and cosmopolitan.

Cons: It can be hard for people to fully belong to a culture.
You lose contact with family in the other country.
People in the new country may not accept you.

Answers

Parts of speech

1. adjective (describing *grandmother*)
2. verb (infinitive without *to* after modal *will*)
3. noun (plural ending *-ies*)
4. adverb (describing living; adverb ending *-ly*)

Meaning

1. frail
2. cherish
3. slurs
4. frugally

Answers and audio script



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|---------|-------|--------|--------|
| 1. rose | goes | does | toes |
| 2. meat | beat | great | street |
| 3. paid | made | played | said |
| 4. done | phone | son | won |

Answers and audio script



mother enjoy apartment holiday population

Answers

2. actor
3. Acting
4. action
5. activities

Answers

well-paid job drive carelessly win a race
close-knit family fall in love

Answers

Hi, everyone! Thanks for reading my blog about life as an exchange student! I came to Boston two weeks ago to study at a language school. I want to learn English because it is a very important language. I'm staying with an American family. They have two sons and a daughter. Mr. Kendall is a teacher, and Mrs. Kendall works in a hospital. The Americans are very kind, but they speak very quickly!

I study in the morning. My teacher's name is Ann. She told me that my English is OK, but I make a lot of mistakes. Ann doesn't give us too much homework, so in the afternoons I always go sightseeing. Boston is much bigger than my town. I like art very much, and I'm very interested in history, so I visit monuments and museums. I met a girl named Carla. She comes from Mexico and goes to Boston College. Last night we went to the movies, but the movie wasn't very exciting.

Answers

1. She is in Boston. She is staying with the Kendalls, an American family.
2. She is studying English at a language school.
3. She studies in the morning and goes sightseeing in the afternoon.
4. She goes sightseeing, and she visits monuments and museums.
5. She has met Carla.

Answers

1. At the check-in desk of an airport, the check-in assistant talking to a passenger about his or her luggage.
2. In a coffee shop/cafe, a customer giving his or her order for coffee and a muffin.
3. In an office/from a cell phone, an employee calling a colleague/secretary to say he or she will be late for/miss a meeting.
4. In a store/gas station, a store assistant asking a customer to put in their PIN number to complete a transaction.
5. In a restaurant/on a flight, a waiter/flight attendant asking a person what sort of water he or she wants to drink.
6. In an office, an office worker introducing a colleague to a new member of staff.
7. On the phone or possibly at the dentist's office, a patient who needs to see the dentist about a lost filling.
8. In a hotel, the receptionist telling a guest how to get to his or her room.
9. On the phone, a recorded message to a customer who is on hold.
10. In a movie theater, an assistant talking to a customer about the availability of tickets.

Answers and audio script

a 2 b 3 c 6 d 8 e 10 f 1 g 4 h 9 i 5 j 7



1. A How many bags are you checking in?
B Just the one.
A And did you pack it yourself?
B Yes, I did.
2. A A medium latte and a muffin, please.
B For here or to go?
A Here, please.
B That'll be \$3.90 please.
3. A I can't make the meeting. I'm stuck in traffic.
B Don't worry. We'll start without you and brief you later.
A Oh, hold on! We're moving again. I should be there in about an hour.
4. A Can you put in your PIN number and press "Enter"?
B Oh, no! I can't remember my number for this card. Oh, what is it?
A Do you have another card you could use?
5. A Bottled or tap? And do you want ice and lemon in it?
B Bottled, please. Ice but no lemon.
A No problem. Is that all?
6. A I don't think you've met Greg. He's joining us from our New York office.
B Hello. Good to meet you. I've heard a lot about you.
A Yeah, at last we meet. I'm looking forward to working together.
7. A I need to make an appointment. It's pretty urgent. I've lost a filing.
B We have a cancellation this afternoon, 2:45, if that's OK?
A That's great. I'll be there.
8. A The elevator's on your right. Would you like someone to help you with your bags?
B No, thank you. I'll manage.
A OK. If you insist. Here's your key. Enjoy your stay.
9. A Please hold. Your call is important to us. All our operators are busy at the moment, but one of them will be with you shortly.
B If I have to listen to that again, I'll go crazy!
C Can I help you?
B At last, a real person! Do you know how long I've been waiting?
10. A There are still tickets for the 5:45 performance, but the 8:45 is sold out, I'm afraid.
B That's fine. We'll have two, please, one adult, one child.
A OK. Two for 5:45. The doors open at 5.

CD1 B

1. A: Maria, this is my friend, Peter. We came to the U.S. together.
We come from the same town in Canada.
B: Hello, Peter. Nice to meet you. I hope you're having a good time.
2. A: Excuse me. I don't think this is mine. I ordered a medium latte and a muffin.
B: Oh, sorry. My mistake. This is for the next table.
3. A: Good evening. Reception? I'm in room 216, and my TV isn't working. Can you send someone to fix it?
B: Of course, sir. I'll send someone immediately.
4. A: Excuse me. Can you tell me which is the check-in desk for Bangkok? I can't see my flight on the screen.
B: Oh no. You're at the wrong terminal. Flights to Bangkok leave from Terminal 2. You can take a bus to the terminal over there.
5. A: OK, everyone. Dinner's ready! Can you all come to the table? Bring your drinks and just help yourselves to the food.
B/C/D: Mmmm. It smells good. Can we sit where we like?