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what's happening this week?

For this week's excursion, we're taking you out on an English Camp, to be held at Long Beach Garden Hotel Resort & Spa, Pattaya.

There will be a variety of English activities at the camp. We strongly encourage all the students to USE ENGLISH throughout the whole trip, not only while doing organized activities, but also when just chatting to each another. Most importantly, this is a good chance for all of you to join in activities with people from other classes. How does that sound?

We hope what you will get from this trip is not only a chance to practise English outside the classroom, but also an opportunity to gain knowledge in various areas.

We are looking forward to seeing all of you on this trip!

ITINERARY FOR ENGLISH CAMP AT LONG BEACH GARDEN HOTEL RESORT & SPA November 28-30

Wednesday, November 28

- 07.30 Leave Devawongse Varopakarn Institute
- 11.00 Arrive at Long Beach Garden Hotel Resort & Spa
- 12.00 Lunch
- 13.30 Opening of the English Camp
- 13.45 English games
- 14.30 Coffee / tea break
- 15.00 English games (continued)
- 18.30 Dinner



Thursday, November 29

- 9.00 English activities
- 10.30 Coffee / tea break
- 10.45 English activities (continued)
- 12.00 Lunch
- 13.30 Group production
- 14.30 Coffee / tea break
- 15.00 Group production (continued)
- 18.30 Dinner

Friday, November 30

- 9.00 English Rally
- 12.00 Lunch
- 13.30 Leave Long Beach Garden Hotel Resort & Spa
- 18.00 Arrive at Devawongse Varopakarn Institute

NOTE: *Casual dress is recommended.

*Lots of facilities are also available, e.g. swimming pools (a swimming suit is needed), fitness centre and spa.

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Culture Corner



Test Your Cultural Awareness

1. When a taxi driver in India shakes his head from side to side, it probably means ...

- he thinks that your price is too high.
- he isn't going in your direction.
- he will take you where you want to go.
- he doesn't understand what you're asking.



2. When rewarding an Hispanic (Spanish) worker for a job well done, it is best not to ...

- praise him publicly.
- say thank you.
- offer a raise.
- offer a promotion.



3. In the area formerly known as West Germany, leaders who display charisma are ...

- not among the most desired.
- the ones most respected and sought after.
(wanted by many people and usually of high quality or rare)
- invited frequently to serve on boards of cultural organizations.
- pushed to get involved in political activities.



4. In some South American countries, it is considered normal and acceptable to show up for a social appointment one to two hours late.

- True
- False



5. In France, when friends talk to one another it is typical to shout.



- True
- False

6. In Latin America, business people touch each other more than North Americans do under similar circumstances.

- True
- False

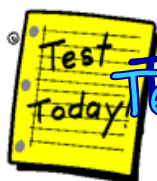


<http://mindyourownbusiness.com/game.htm>

Answer Key
1) c 2) a 3) a 4) a 5) b 6) a

Piyaporn

LEARNING STRATEGIES



Test Taking Tips

- When you first receive your test, do a quick survey of the entire test so that you know how to efficiently budget your time.
- Do the easiest problems first; don't stay on a problem that you are stuck on, especially when time is a factor.
- Do the problems that have the greatest point values first.
- Don't rush, but pace yourself; read the entire question and look for keywords.
- Ask the instructor for clarification if you don't understand what they are asking for on the test.
- Write legibly: if the grader can't read what you have written, they'll most likely mark it wrong.
- Always read the whole question carefully; don't make assumptions about what the question might be.



- If you don't know an answer, skip it, go on with the rest of the test and come back to it later. Maybe on another part of the test there'll be something that will help you out with that question.

- Don't worry if others finish before you; focus on the test in front of you.
- When you are finished and if you have time left, look over your test and make sure that you have answered all the questions. Only change an answer if you misread or misinterpreted the question, because the first answer that you put is usually the correct one. Watch out for careless mistakes and proofread your essay and/or short answer questions.
- Double check to make sure that you have put your first and last names on the test.

<http://www.testtakingtips.com>

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Here's the Answer...

Any+Singular or Plural Nouns?



Can you explain the use of nouns when they follow the word *any*? I have seen both singular and plural nouns used.



Any and *any of* are used with either uncountable nouns or countable plural nouns.

Examples:

I don't have *any money*.

She hasn't got *any friends*.

I wasn't interested in *any of the lectures*.

When *any of* is followed by a countable plural noun, the verb can be in either singular or plural form, but a singular verb is more common in a formal style.

Examples:

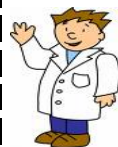
If *any of your friends is/are* interested, let me know.

If *any* means 'it doesn't matter who/which/what', it can be used with singular or plural nouns or uncountable nouns.

Examples:

She goes out with *any boy* who asks her.

Ask *any doctor* – they'll tell you that alcohol is a poison.



Source: http://www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/slss/studyhub/grammar/Singular-or-plural.pdf

Napassawan

FUN WITH ENGLISH

No.9 From PART to GAIN

Change the word PART into GAIN in twenty-five moves, changing one letter at a time. Some letters have been added to help you.

	P	A	R	T	
1					having a sharp taste, sour
2					the weight of an unloaded goods vehicle
3					without clothes
4	B				to make a hole in something
5					part of an apple
6					grown in fields
7					pulled violently apart or into pieces
8					the name of one of Britain's political parties
9					a wrongful but not criminal act that can be dealt with in a civil court of law
10					this person can usually get you tickets for any West End play or musical
11					a boxing match
12				T	to run away suddenly
13					something you wear
14					the skin of an animal with the hair still attached
15					can be used instead of coal
16	B				the regular path or route followed by a policeman on duty
17					a bad-mannered child (derogatory)
18					to boast
19					a steep, rugged mountain peak or rock
20	C				to revise intensively for an examination
21					used by babies
22					easily shocked by anything rude
23					unpleasant, not cheerful
24					a wide smile showing the teeth
	G	A	I	N	

Answers no.8

1	a	2	b
3	d	4	a
5	b	6	a
7	d	8	b
9	c	10	a

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