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What's happening this week?

This Friday's activity, Quiz Day, has been designed as an opportunity for all trainees to work together in groups and practise some of the English skills you have learned so far. It will be a great chance for you to use your listening, writing and speaking skills in an enjoyable atmosphere, while widening your general knowledge.

This event will be held at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sri Ayutthaya Road, this Friday, October 30. It will run from 9.00 until 12.00.



NOTE:

- 🕒 Please be at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs by 8.45 a.m.
- 👉 Casual dress is NOT acceptable

LEARNING STRATEGIES

Tips on Studying a Foreign Language

....continued from last week

- 4 **MAKE YOURSELF COMFORTABLE IN THE CLASSROOM.** Get to know your classmates, so you will feel you are among friends. Visit your instructor during office hours to get acquainted: explain your goals and fears about the course to your instructor.
- 5 **LEARN GRAMMAR IF YOU DON'T ALREADY KNOW IT.** Grammar is the skeleton of a language. Review a simplified English grammar text. Compare new grammatical structures in your foreign language to their English equivalents.
- 6 **PRACTICE FOR TESTS** by doing what you will have to do on the test. If the test will require you to write, then study by writing—including spelling and accents. If you will be asked to listen, then practice listening.
- 7 **DEVELOP A GOOD ATTITUDE.** Have a clear personal reason for taking the class. Set personal goals for what you want to learn. Leave perfectionism at the door; give yourself permission to make mistakes and learn from them.
- 8 **GET HELP IF YOU NEED IT.** Talk with your teacher. Form study groups among class members. Use tutoring services. Don't wait!

Adapted from www.english-zone.com

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Culture Corner

Basic Conversational Rules

Here are some dinner conversation rules. Learn the rules. When it's time to break them, your intuition (and EQ competency) will tell you.

➔ Avoid controversial subjects.



➔ Find something pleasant to talk about in a pleasant tone of voice.

➔ Pay attention to nonverbal cues from tablemates that you are boring them.



➔ Use interpersonal skills to include others. Don't hog the conversation no matter how charming you think you are.

➔ Save private quarrels with your partner for another time; don't correct them, make hostile comments, criticize or ridicule your partner in public.

➔ If you're greatly skilled, gently "control" the flow of the conversation.

➔ Don't be a boring person. When is a person boring? When they're bored. If you're bored, why are you? Work on that. (Get a coach!)

➔ Have a store of topics at your fingertips when you approach the table. Such topics as movies, books, scenery, travel, celebrities, sports, art, and questions-about-others are always appropriate.

➔ Ask open-ended questions, that is, ones that can't be answered with "yes" or "no".

➔ You'll never fail if you show interest in others. If you're lucky, you'll be in a high EQ group where such consideration is shared.

➔ Spend some time observing talented others.



Rules of Etiquette and Home Culture, 1886

Piyaporn

Here's the Answer

Q When do we use **should+perfect infinitive**?

A We can use **should+have+past participle** to talk

about the past. This structure is used to talk about things which did not happen, or which may or may not have happened.

For example

I **should have phoned** Ed this morning, but I forgot.
Ten o'clock: she **should have arrived** in the office by now.



Q Which of these phrases is correct, *ten minutes' walk* or *a ten-minute walk*?

A Both are correct. Let me explain in detail.

- We use the **possessive** in measuring expressions of time which begin with a **number**.

For example: ten minutes' walk a week's holiday



- When expressions of time are used as **adjectives**, they are normally **singular**.

For example: a ten-minute walk
a four-day journey
a two-week holiday



Source: Swan, M. 2000. Basic English Usage. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

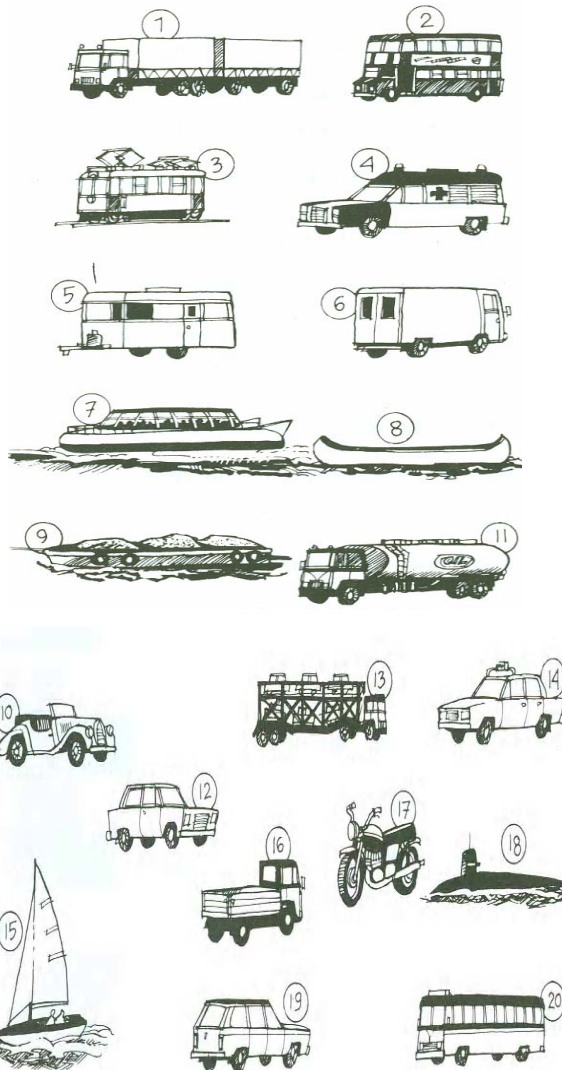
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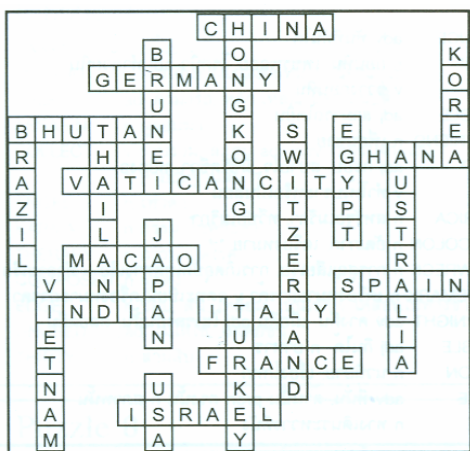
Types of transport

Write the number of each drawing next to the correct word or words.

- saloon car
- caravan
- van
- hovercraft
- submarine
- estate car
- articulated lorry
- sports car
- tanker
- transporter
- motorbike
- yacht
- coach
- lorry
- bus
- barge
- ambulance
- taxi
- canoe
- tram



Answer no.1



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