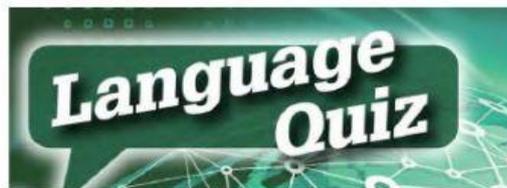


Language matters 2

Each question has **one** word missing. Write it in.

- were
- 1 Where you born?
 - 2 What languages you speak?
 - 3 You enjoy learning a foreign language?
 - 4 Why you studying English?
 - 5 Which foreign countries have you been?
 - 6 What you learn in the last English lesson?
 - 7 What are you going do after this lesson?

I didn't know that!



1 Which **six** of these languages **does** the UN use for official business?

a English	e French	h Chinese
b Russian	f Portuguese	i Arabic
c Japanese	g German	j Hindi
d Spanish		

2 At what rate **are** languages **disappearing** around the world?

a one every two weeks
b one every two months
c one every two years



4 On which continent **have** languages **developed** clicking sounds as consonants?

a Asia b South America c Africa

5 Where **are** you **standing** if you are using an ATM in Latin?

a in Vatican City
b in the University of Oxford
c in Rome city centre



6 When **did** people first **begin** to read silently, and not say the words out loud?

a in 400 BC
b in the 1st century AD
c in the 10th century AD



7 English has taken words from different languages, including gendered nouns (masculine and feminine). Why **didn't** English **keep** the gender?

a Because English never had gendered nouns.
b Because the different languages had a different gender for the same nouns.
c Because gendered nouns were difficult to pronounce.

8 What **was** Thomas Edison **doing** when he recited the nursery rhyme, 'Mary had a little lamb'?

a making the first telephone call
b making the first sound recording
c making the first moving pictures

9 The *Chicago Tribune* newspaper **has** often **tried** to simplify English spelling. Which of these examples **have become** standard American English?

a bureaucrat and definitely
b iland and det
c catalog and program

10 How long **have** people **been using** the acronym OMG (Oh My God!)?

a since 1917
b since 1985
c since text messaging began

11 How many new words **are added** to the Oxford English Dictionary every year?

a 500 **b** 1,000 **c** 3,000

12 What language **was** commonly **spoken** by well-educated Ancient Romans?

a Latin **b** Greek **c** Hebrew

2.1

Listen and check your answers. Tell the extra information you hear.

Correct the information in the sentences.

- 1 A Brazilians speak Spanish.
B No, they don't speak Spanish! They speak Portuguese!
- 2 A The Pope lives in Madrid.
B No, he doesn't live in Madrid! He lives in Rome, in the Vatican!
- 3 Shakespeare wrote his plays in Latin.
- 4 The world is getting colder.
- 5 The Americans didn't land on the moon.
- 6 Cinderella was going to the ball when she lost her shoe.
- 7 The UK has never had a female Prime Minister.
- 8 The 2016 Olympics were held in London.

Complete the questions with the correct auxiliary verb and name the tense. Then ask and answer them with a partner.

- 1 What time ____ you usually get up at weekends?
- 2 What time ____ you get up this morning?
- 3 How long ____ it usually take you to get to class?
- 4 Who ____ sitting near you? What ____ he/she wearing?
- 5 How long ____ you known the teacher?
- 6 What ____ you doing when the teacher came into the classroom?
- 7 What ____ (not) you like doing in English lessons?
- 8 Which school subjects ____ (not) you like when you were younger?
- 9 ____ you studied any other foreign languages?
- 10 ____ English spoken by many people in your country?

Funny grammar

1 Look at the cartoons and explain why the wrong tenses make them funny.



1 That's Maria. She's coming from Mexico.



2 We played tennis when it started raining.



3 How many plays has Shakespeare written?



4 Jack reads *The Da Vinci Code*.



5 How long have you been here for?



6 I've been drinking 6 cups of coffee today.

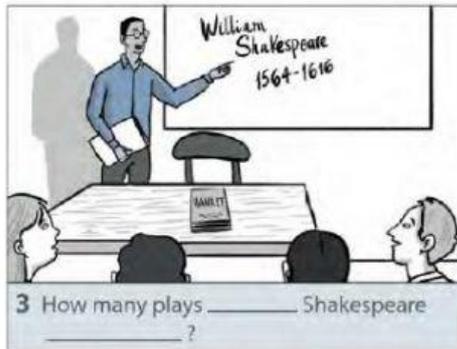
2 Write the correct tenses in the cartoons of the true situations.



1 That's Maria. She comes from Mexico.



2 We _____ tennis when it started raining.



Making conversation Short answers

2.4

Nick has foreign students staying in his house in Bath. Listen and complete the conversations.

- Denisa Hi, Nick! _____ you been shopping?
- Nick Yes, I have. I _____ going to cook fish pie for you two tonight. _____ you have a good day at college?
- Miguel No.
- Denisa Well, I _____. We _____ practising giving presentations.
- Nick Oh, sounds interesting. _____ that not useful for you, Miguel?
- Miguel No.
- Nick Why? _____ you never have to give presentations at work?
- Miguel No.
- Denisa I _____. That's why I need to improve my English.
- Nick Well, it's definitely improving!
- Miguel _____ you noticed my English is better?
- Nick Er, yes, I _____. And it'll get better the longer you're here.
- Denisa No, it _____ because he speaks Spanish with the other Spanish students all day!
- Miguel No!
- Denisa Yes, you _____! You're always together. Are you going on the trip to Wales on Saturday?
- Miguel Yes.
- Denisa I'm going too, and Keiko and Roberto _____, so spend the day speaking English with us.
- Miguel OK.



Match

A	B	C
1 Did you hear that noise?	No, I haven't.	They didn't have my size.
2 Are you doing anything tonight?	Yes, it is.	I think it was thunder.
3 Have you seen my phone anywhere?	No, I'm not.	I'm dying for a coffee!
4 Did you get those shoes you liked?	Yes, I did.	Do you want to come round?
5 Is it nearly break time?	No, I didn't.	Have you lost it again?

Find a mistake in each sentence and correct it.

- Everyone speak English where I work.
- You know where the bus station is?
- 'Do you like football?' 'Yes, I like.'
- Do you think is going to rain?
- I seen him just a couple of minutes ago.
- The glass was already broke when I opened the box.

