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My new life

My life after the accident is sometimes difficult. I miss listening to music, but I can still feel it. When I'm at school, I use sign language to speak to the other deaf students. I speak 'normally' to other people who can hear. One good thing is I can see much better; I can see things really far away. Also, food has started to taste much stronger. Unfortunately, that's not so great; I can't cook well.



1 What did the person lose in the accident?

- A) His sense of taste.
- B) His ability to see.
- C) His hearing.
- D) His ability to speak.

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The Robot Olympics

It might not be as famous as the Olympics, but the RoboWorld Cup is just as fun. Robots have competitions to see which one is the best, and there are even world records. The sprint competition doesn't need robots to run 100 metres, but three metres going forward and three metres going back. The robot record for this is 31 seconds. There's also a competition where robots need to lift 80 DVDs, and even a robot marathon – 43 metres of floor for the robots to walk along.

2 How many metres do the robots move in the RoboWorld Cup sprint?

- A) 6
- B) 3
- C) 100
- D) 43

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Magic Malcolm

He makes everyone go away in a flash...

Magic Malcolm is a magician no one forgets. Children have listened to his show Magic Moments on London Gold station for the last 42 years, dreaming about what his magic tricks would look like on television. He's also written a magic book that's a bestseller in Belgium. And, every year, Malcolm does a special Christmas show at the theatre, where he makes people's presents disappear. Children love him.

Magic Malcolm can do weddings, birthdays and funerals to make them a day to remember. Watch him pull rabbits out of a hat, do card tricks, cut women in half, and lots more magic moments. Malcolm doesn't do shows for children under the age of 6 and for people over the age of 70.



To book* Malcolm for your special day call (020) 7473 7363.

* Malcolm only does shows in the London area.

3 Where can't you find Malcolm's magic tricks?

- A) On the radio.
- B) In a book.
- C) At the theatre.
- D) On television.

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4 Which of these people can book Malcolm to do a show?

- A) A couple getting married in Manchester.
- B) A father for his three-year-old son's birthday.
- C) A man for a funeral in Mayfair, London.
- D) A woman celebrating her eightieth birthday.

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HELP NEEDED - SHOP ASSISTANT



We have a busy pet shop.

- We need someone to work on Saturdays.
- You must enjoy working with people even more than with animals. We want our customers to be happy.
- We are also looking for somebody who is over fifty.

If you're interested, please telephone Jill: 300 037 0900.

1 Who is Jill looking for?

- A) A person older in age who needs one day's work a week.
- B) Someone who loves animals more than people.
- C) Somebody who wants to work five days a week.
- D) A young student who needs extra work.

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Kate's diary



Dear Diary,

Today has started really well. The girls in my sister's class at school beat the boys at football. The boys really hated losing. I came first in the "Who can be the quietest?" competition. I didn't speak for an hour. My teacher said it was like winning the lottery. After that, it was lunch. I argued with my friend Anna that it would be vegetable risotto again. I hate rice. But she was right; it was chicken! How Lucky am I?

2 What did Kate win?

- A) The class lottery.
- B) A competition not to make noise.
- C) A football game against the boys.
- D) An argument with her friend Anna.

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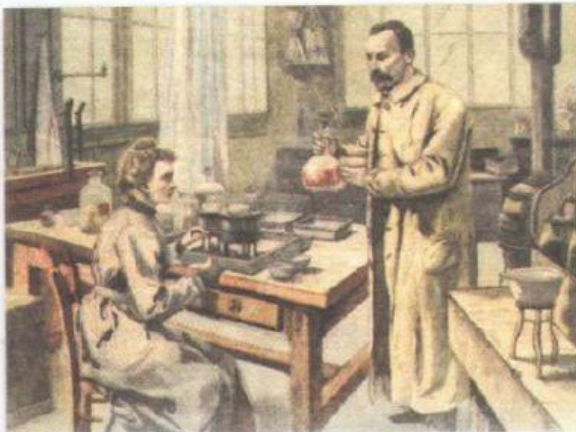
We're going underground

- Tourist:* Excuse me. How do I get to Piccadilly Circus from here?
- Man:* It's easy. Just catch the Tube.
- Tourist:* Is there a Tube station near here?
- Man:* Sure. It's a one-minute walk to Pimlico station.
- Tourist:* Okay. And how far is to Piccadilly Circus?
- Man:* Just a couple of stops to Green Park on the Victoria line. Then, from there, it's about a five-minute walk to Piccadilly Circus. Or you can change Tube trains at Green Park and go one stop to Piccadilly Circus.
- Tourist:* Thanks.



3 Which Tube station does the man need to go to first?

- A) Piccadilly.
- B) Pimlico.
- C) Victoria.
- D) Green Park.

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Marie Curie

Marie Curie is one of the world's most famous scientists. She worked with radioactive materials with her husband, Pierre. In 1903, they were given the Nobel Prize for Science. She won it again in 1911, after her husband died. She was the first person to win the prize twice. Her daughter, Irène, continued her mother's work in science and also won the Nobel Prize.

4 Which of these sentences isn't true?

- A) Marie Curie and her husband both won a Nobel Prize.
- B) Irène Curie won a Nobel Prize.
- C) Marie Curie won another Nobel Prize without her husband.
- D) Marie Curie only received one Nobel Prize.

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Fish fingers

A man lost a finger in a very unusual place — inside a fish. Hans Galassi was water-skiing on Priest Lake, Idaho, when he had an accident. His fingers got stuck in the rope and he lost one of them. He never thought he would see it again. But three months later a policeman telephoned him to say he had his finger. A fisherman had found it inside a fish he'd killed. Hans didn't want his finger back. He was happy for it to be fish food.



1 How did Hans Galassi lose his finger?

- A) While he was fishing at a lake.
- B) A fish bit him while he was swimming.
- C) While he was cooking a fish.
- D) He had a water-skiing accident.

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From	lucywilkins@gmail.com
to	jameshorton@horton.co.uk
subject	Dinner

Dear James,

Thanks for inviting me to dinner at Jimmy's Restaurant. You're right; we need to spend more time together. Unfortunately, I can't come on Tuesday evening. I have Spanish classes. We could meet Wednesday, after I finish my yoga class. Is that too late for you? I can't meet over the weekend. I'm going to Paris. Next Monday is a good night for me, but Jimmy's is closed. I'm so looking forward to seeing you again.

Love,
Lucy

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2 When can Lucy meet James for dinner at Jimmy's?

- A) Monday.
- B) Tuesday.
- C) Wednesday.
- D) At the weekend.

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Left, left, left and left again!

Babs: Give me the map. Hank! You always get lost!

Hank: No, I don't.

Babs: Do you remember the time we couldn't find the Eiffel Tower?

Hank: It was foggy.

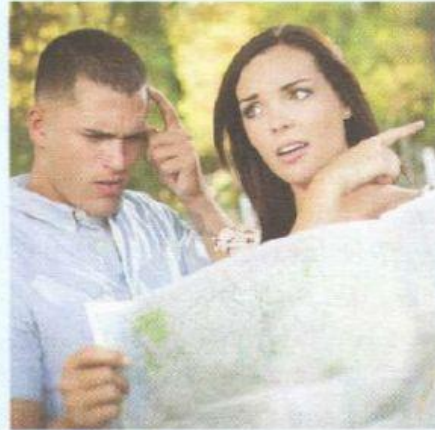
Babs: We were in Belgium. We have never been to Paris! And what about the two days it took us to find London?

Hank: England was dark. I found the Vatican in Rome okay.

Babs: We were looking for our hotel! You asked a cardinal for our key!

Hank: Well, I found you in New York, Babs!

Babs: I lived next door and you were trying to find your own house!



3 Where didn't Babs and Hank go?

- A) London.
- B) Rome.
- C) Paris.
- D) New York.

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The Invisible Sister

The Invisible Sister is advertised as an exciting thriller. But the most exciting thing about this film is buying the ticket – the film is so boring. It's the story of Nina, who has an invisible twin sister, Rita. The sister steals everything. The police never catch her because they can't see her. But it's strange that Nina always buys two tickets for the train, talks to herself and eats two lunches at the same time in restaurants. Are the police as clever as this film? Like Nina's sister, this movie is best not seen.

4 Which sentence is true?

- A) Nina travels by train.
- B) The police catch Rita.
- C) Nina never has lunch in restaurants.
- D) The film critic thinks the film is exciting.

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Dear Lola,
We're having a lovely time on holiday, but the journey here was terrible. We left late, and then there was a long delay because of a technical problem. We just sat there for hours. It was so hot because of the heat wave. It was making Neville very angry and he wanted to speak to the driver. So, we sent Neville to the dining car to calm down. We arrived at our station five hours late. We'll go by bus next time.
Love,
Judy



1 How did Judy and Neville go on holiday?

- A) By plane.
- B) By train.
- C) By car.
- D) By bus.

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HER LOOKING FOR HIM

Barbara 123

The Singles Club — online dating

I'm a busy thirty-five-year-old woman who works as a doctor at a hospital. I like to spend my free time at home with my young daughter. I'm looking for a man (40+) who would like a family. If he has children of his own, that's okay. I enjoy running every morning and I play tennis. I'm looking for someone who has a job; he likes and enjoys having fun at the weekend. I don't like parties and going out so much; I prefer spending time with my family. It would be great to do that with someone else.

Send a message: [Barbara 123](#)

2 Which sentence describes Barbara?

- A) She is older than 40.
- B) She has a son.
- C) She works from home.
- D) She does sport regularly.

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Frampton Fun Day

May 17th 11.00-19.00

Make May 17th a special day and visit Frampton – one of the oldest towns in England. It's been 100 years since the town's museum opened, and we have a hundred fun things for you to do to celebrate its birthday. We hope hundreds, or even thousands of people will come and join the locals for some fun!

Events

11.00 Potato Parade

Come dressed as your favourite vegetable and get a super prize – a basket of fruit and vegetables.

11.30 Edith

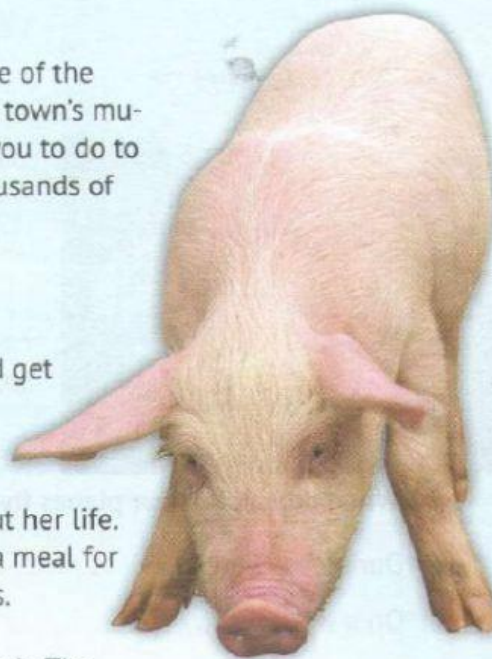
Frampton's oldest lady, Edith Jones, talks about her life. Guess what year she's talking about and win a meal for two at Edith's restaurant, The Wobbly Waitress.

12.30 Oily Pig

We cover a pig in olive oil and you try to catch it. The person who can hold the pig for 20 seconds wins 100 sausages!

13.00 Frampton Lottery

Buy a ticket and win a surprise prize. The surprise is that everyone wins a prize – a postcard of Frampton. But this year's 1st prize for one lucky winner is to shop at the local supermarket for five minutes without paying! How much food can you take in five minutes?



3 Which sentence is true?

- A) Frampton Fun Day is in the summer.
- B) The museum is 100 years old.
- C) Frampton is the oldest town in England.
- D) The Fun Day starts in the afternoon.

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4 For which of these activities don't you get a prize?

- A) Guessing how old Edith Jones is.
- B) Catching and holding an animal.
- C) Buying a ticket.
- D) Wearing a costume.

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