British English: Listening Comprehension 5

Surprise!

(6: 20)

Here is the next video. There isn't an accompanying lesson. I simply want to note two common expressions frequently used by the British. The first is *"brilliant"*. It has the same meaning as *"great"* in American English (or *"genial"* in Spanish). The second expression is *"Don't mention it"*, which means *"you're welcome"* (or *"de nada"* in Spanish).

Answer the comprehension questions.

1) When is David's date? _____ What is his date's name? _____

2) Why did his date not want to eat Chinese food? (Answer in a complete sentence in English.)

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3) What did his date order? And David?

J starter:		J main course:	
D starter:		D main course:	

4) Why was David nervous?

○ it was a 1st date ○ Julia ordered expensive things ○ he spoke very little Italian

5) What time did Julia's train leave? _____

6) Helen says that David didn't get home until breakfast? Why? (Answer in a complete sentence.)

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7) How did David offer to pay for the taxi? (Check all that apply.)

○ cash ○ credit card ○ cheque

8) Below is a transcript of the video. Listen again—just the audio below—and fill in the blanks.

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David: Are you _____ this evening? ... For a meal, yeah? ... You are? That's fantastic.
Helen (voice over): It's David's new friend on the phone. I think he really likes her.
David: Brilliant.
Helen(voice over): It sounds very exciting.
David: See you at _____. Bye.
Helen: David has a date.
Jane: When?
Helen: Tonight.
Jane: What's her name?
Matt: Julia.
Jane: Julia? ... When did you meet _____?
Matt: Two weeks ago.
David: Do you mind?
Jane: What is it tonight then? Cinema? Theatre? Opera?
Matt: A _____?
David: A restaurant.
Matt: Which one?
David: Hong Kong House. It's Chinese. It's very good.
Matt: It's very _____.
David: It's very good.
Jane: Well, I hope you and...
Matt: Julia.
Jane: Julia. Have a great time.
Helen: I'll come with you. ... Have a nice evening.
David: Bye then.
Matt: Bye.

[David and Julia arrive at the Chinese restaurant.]

David: This is it.
Julia: Oh Chinese. Um... I had a Chinese _____ yesterday. Can we go somewhere else?
David: Where would you like to go?
Julia: I love Italian food. Is there an Italian restaurant near here?
David: I don't know.
Julia: Yes, there is. Marco's. It's about five minutes _____.
David: Marco's. Oh yes, but that's...
Julia: What's the problem?
David: Nothing. Come on.

[David and Julia are sitting in the restaurant.]

Julia: It's really _____ here. Thanks, David.
David: Don't mention it. ... You know, I can speak Italian. Just a little.
Julia: Can you? I can't speak any languages. Say something, Dave.
Waiter: Good evening, sir. Madam.
Julia: Go on.
David: *Buonasera. Potere abbiamo il menù, per favore?*

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Waiter: *Ah, molto bene, signore. Vuole vedere la lista dei vini?*

David: Sorry, can you speak more slowly, please?

Waiter: Would you like to see the wine list, sir?

David: Yes, please. *Grazie*. ... What would you like to start? The soup looks nice.

Julia: I think I'd like the truffles.

David: OK, the truffles and... Can I have the soup, please?

Waiter: Yes, sir. Truffles and the soup. ... And for the main course?

Julia: I'd like the lobster.

David: And I'd like the roast _____.

Waiter: To drink?

Julia: How about a bottle of champagne?

Waiter: Sir?

David: The champagne? Yes, a bottle of champagne.

[David and Julia chat over dinner.]

David: It's hard work, but I like my job. It's very interesting. ... And I like playing sports at weekends. Football. Tennis. ... And I like reading. Books. Magazines.

Julia: Really? This is delicious.

David: Can we have the _____, please? Certainly, sir.

Waiter: Thank you very much, sir.

David: What time is your train?

Julia: _____ past ten.

David: Half past ten? It's half past ten now.

Julia: Oh dear. Can you ring for a taxi?

David: A taxi.

Julia: Thanks for a wonderful evening.

David: Don't mention it.

Julia: Good night.

David: Night.

[David speaks to the taxi driver.]

David: How much is it so far?

Taxi Driver: Er, £19.50, sir.

David: But I only have £20. ... Do you take credit cards? _____? American Express?

Taxi Driver: No.

David: A cheque?

Taxi Driver: Sorry, I only take cash, sir. ... Thank you very much indeed, sir. Good night.

David: Thanks very much.

Helen (voice over): So that was David's date with Julia. He got home in time for breakfast.

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