

## BECKY'S BLOG

Hi guys!

My uncle Dan has got a **great** job. I'd really like to do it, too. He's an English teacher, but he doesn't teach in a school – he teaches online. He teaches English to students from different countries. He's got students from Japan, Spain, Mexico, Turkey ... all in the same class! But he isn't in a classroom with a board and chairs and desks. He sits and talks to a camera on a computer. It's cool.

Every day at the same time the students go online and **connect** to the class. Then they have a lesson. Of course, it's a different time in the different countries. Sometimes it's in the morning, but sometimes it's at night and the students are a bit sleepy!

It's just like a real classroom. They ask him questions and they can talk to the other students, too. They talk about their **hobbies** and sports and films. Some of them are good at sports or play different instruments. It's very interesting – but everything is in English. Imagine! They don't only chat – they learn grammar and vocabulary, too! Then they do their homework and send it to my uncle online. He **marks** it and sends it back. Sometimes when they have problems they chat to him online after the lesson. Uncle Dan tells them the things they need to **practise**.

Uncle Dan teaches lots of lessons every day and he loves it! The students love learning like this, too. What a good way to learn a language and find friends in different countries. Would you like to be in my uncle's English classes?

Here's the weblink.

### I. Read the blog again. Are the sentences True (T), False (F) or is the information Not Mentioned (NM) in the text?

- 1) The writer is an online teacher. **T / F / NM**
- 2) The students are all from Europe. **T / F / NM**
- 3) In the lessons the students talk about different things in English. **T / F / NM**
- 4) The teacher gives them lots of exercises in class. **T / F / NM**
- 5) They can only speak to the teacher in the class. **T / F / NM**
- 6) They do grammar exercises for homework. **T / F / NM**
- 7) It's a good way to meet people. **T / F / NM**
- 8) Students can learn to play instruments online, too. **T / F / NM**

### II. Match the underlined words in the blog with these definitions.

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| 1) join/link online                 | hobbies  |
| 2) free-time activities             | connect  |
| 3) fantastic                        | marks    |
| 4) repeat something to get it right | great    |
| 5) gives a grade                    | practise |

### III. Complete the sentences with the words from 4.

- 1) My teacher \_\_\_\_\_ our homework with a red pen.

- 2) I've got lots of \_\_\_\_\_ I like sports and music.
- 3) I love playing the guitar. I \_\_\_\_\_ every day.
- 4) My computer is broken and I can't \_\_\_\_\_ the Internet.
- 5) The students love our English teacher. He's \_\_\_\_\_!