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VIDEO COMPREHENSION:
Gad Elmaleh

1) CIRCLE THE RIGHT ANSWER IN THE TEXT ABOUT GAD ELMALEH'S BIOGRAPHY:

Gad Elmaleh was born in Casablanca, Morocco on 19 April 1971.
Of Jewish **descent / descendant**, Gad Elmaleh studied at Georges Bizet school and Lycée Lyuatey in Casablanca.
His father was an amateur mime artist, but Elmaleh **cites / tells** Charlie Chaplin as his **mainly / main** early career influence.
Gad Elmaleh moved to Montreal in Canada in 1988. **When / Whilst** there, he worked in the shipping department of a **garment / clothes** company owned by members of his family and he also studied political science.
In 1992 Gad Elmaleh left Canada and went to Paris. He had success as a stand-up **humorist / comedian** and like Edouard Baer, he was a student of actress Isabelle Nanty.
In 1995, he had his first one-man show "Décalages".
As well as **continuing / sustaining** with his one-man comedy shows, Gad Elmaleh took on various acting roles.
He **depicted / concealed** one of his characters, Chouchou, a Moroccan transvestite streetwalker, on stage and screen. Gad Elmaleh used to live with actress Anne Brochet. They have a son. Brochet wrote a book, Trajet d'une amoureuse econduite, about her relationship and break **down / up** with Gad Elmaleh.
More recently he was going **out / on** with ballerina Aurélie Dupont.
In this **review / critique** of Priceless, The Guardian describes Gad Elmaleh as "a very funny young Moroccan-born Jewish comic whose **scantily / hugely** popular one-man shows are about the closest France gets to really good stand-up." His film credits include playing Chick in Mood Indigo, adapted from Boris Vian's novel.

2) GAD ELMALEH ON CONAN O'BRIEN'S SHOW: WATCH THE VIDEO AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW.

Link to the video: https://youtu.be/1syXYTG4qVY

1. What is the hardest thing in the English language for Gad Elmaleh? Do you agree with him?

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2. Why are "French doors" called like this in American?

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3. What other words or expressions starting with "French..." do you know in English or American?

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4. According to you, what French word would fit best to translate "browsing"?

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5. What are the two "vague" expressions Gad is talking about? Why are they absurd?

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3) GAD ELMALEH PERFORMS STAND-UP. Link to the video: https://youtu.be/jLOKSJq4tRA

1. From start to 2:30: Listen to the skit and fill in the blanks with the right words or expressions:

"_____, my next guest tonight is one of the most popular comedians in France. Please welcome: Gad Elmaleh!

Thank you, thank you, thank you very much! I'm very happy to be here. it is very great to be here. Uuh... Yes... I just moved to America. Uuh, yeah, perfect timing.

I have an accent, I think _____, right? But you guys understand me, now? Thank you. Not everybody does here in America, especially in New York, they don't have time and sometimes I feel like if I _____ one letter, that's it! There's no second chance. I _____ in a cab the other day here in New York city and I said to the driver "please, take me to _____". Can you believe this guy had no idea what I was talking about? I said "Sir, how many places do you know in New York city that has an F and K and airport in their name?" I mean I didn't _____ or QPN or whatever... And even if I did, come on, meet me halfway! You know like...

If I was a cab driver and you asked me to take you to KFC Airport , I'd take you to JFK Airport and not only because I know they've got a _____, because I'm gonna _____, I'm gonna guess this is where you wanna go.

Come on guys, let's imagine you come to France, Paris, to visit. You're lost, you're in the street, you come up to me and y... I mean, _____, but imagine... And you're lost and you _____ the name or something "Yeah we're Americans, we're looking for the IPhone Tower"... I'm gonna guess, I'm gonna help you, I'm not gonna be like "what? You mean _____ in Paris?" No!

Anyway, so... To make a long story short, this cab driver kept correcting my accent. And he was Indian. I said "Sir, we're both _____, right, we should be helping each other. And by the way, you maybe got the "J" thing right in JFK, but you said "Airpoot". _____, right. French word by the way."

2. From 2:31 to 4:32: Tell whether the statements below are RIGHT or WRONG (if wrong, explain why):

1. Gad thinks that Indians have discount phone plans only for monologues. _____	☐ Right ☐ Wrong
2. In the cab, you think the driver is talking to you while he's on the phone. _____	☐ Right ☐ Wrong
3. Comedians in America don't do an "Encore" when they finish the show. _____	☐ Right ☐ Wrong
4. During a show in NYC, Gad did an "Encore" and the crowd was waiting for him. _____	☐ Right ☐ Wrong

3. From 4:33 to the end:

- Find the double meaning of: I'm down. _____
- Find different significations for "to be up for something". _____
- Find a synonym of "I'm in'. _____
- At the end, why does Gad's friend say the woman is too young?

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- Did you like these videos? Why / Why not?

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- Can you talk about a language misunderstanding that happened to you in a foreign country?

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