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## PET 2- 5B- INTEGRATION N° 1

### 1- READING



# Love at Exit 19

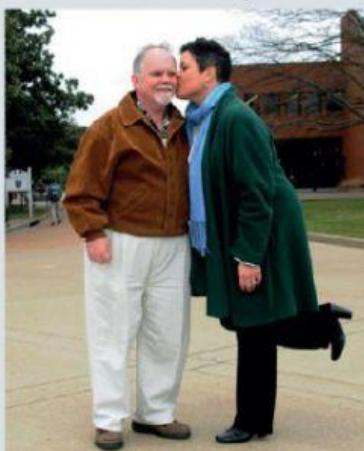
He was a tollbooth operator, she was a soprano who sang in Carnegie Hall. Their eyes met at Exit 19 of the New York State Thruway, when he charged her 37¢. The romance that followed was even less likely than the plot of an opera!

Sonya Baker was a frequent commuter from her home in the suburbs to New York City. One day, when she was driving to an audition, she came off the Thruway and stopped at the tollbooth where Michael Fazio was working. She chatted to him as she paid to go through, and thought he was cute. For the next three months, they used to exchange a few words as she handed him the money, and he raised the barrier to let her pass. 'It was mostly "What are you doing today? Where are you going?"' she said. They learned more about each other, for example that Sonya loved Puccini and Verdi, while Michael's love was the New York Yankees. But their conversations suddenly came to an end when Michael changed his working hours. 'He used to work during the day,' said Sonya, 'but he changed to night shifts.' Although Michael still looked out for Sonya's white Toyota Corolla, he did not see her again for six months.

When Michael's working hours changed back to the day shift, he decided to put a traffic

cone in front of his lane. He thought, 'It will be like putting a candle in a window.' Sonya saw it, and their romance started up again. 'I almost crashed my car on various occasions,' she said, 'trying to cross several lanes to get to his exit.' Finally, she found the courage to give Michael a piece of paper with her phone number as she passed through the toll. Michael called her and for their first date they went to see the film *Cool Runnings*, and then later they went to an opera, *La Bohème*, and to a Yankees game.

They are now married and living in Kentucky, where Sonya is a voice and music professor at Murray State College and Michael runs an activity centre at a nursing home. It turned out that she had given him her number just in time. A short while later she moved to New Jersey and stopped using the New York State Thruway. 'I might never have seen him again,' she said.



**Glossary**  
a tollbooth a small building by the side of a road where you pay money to use the road  
Carnegie Hall a famous concert hall in New York City  
New York State Thruway a motorway  
New York Yankees a baseball team based in the Bronx in New York  
a traffic cone a plastic object, often red and white, used to show where vehicles can or can't go

Adapted from The Times



Read the article again and number the events in the order they happened.

- A  Michael changed his working hours.
- B  Michael tried to find Sonya.
- C  They got married.
- D  Sonya moved to New Jersey.
- E  Sonya gave Michael her phone number.
- F  Michael changed his working hours again.
- G  Sonya chatted to Michael.
- H  They stopped seeing each other.
- I  They had their first date.
- J  Sonya and Michael moved to Kentucky.

**COMPLETE WITH THE FOLLOWING WORDS/PHRASES- USE THE PAST SIMPLE FORM OF THE VERBS**

**GO OUT TOGETHER    GET MARRIED    BE TOGETHER    PROPOSE TO    BECOME FRIENDS    FANCY  
BREAK UP    GET TO KNOW    HAVE A LOT IN COMMON    LOSE TOUCH    GET IN TOUCH    GET ON**

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Anna <sup>1</sup>met \_\_\_\_\_ Luke when she started work. She <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ immediately because he seemed like a really nice person. The two sat next to each other in the office, so they <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ each other very quickly. They soon <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ , and they discovered that they <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ because they were both sports fans. They <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ a few times after work, and they fell in love.

They <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ for a year, but they argued a lot and in the end they <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_. After that, Anna got a new job in a different town and so they <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_. Ten years later, they <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ again on Facebook. They were both still single, and Luke had changed jobs, too. They decided to try again, and this time they <sup>11</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ better than before, maybe because they weren't working together. After six months, Luke <sup>12</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ Anna, and she accepted. They <sup>13</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ last spring. A lot of their old colleagues from work came to the wedding!

## VOCABULARY relationships

Complete the sentences with the people from the list.

classmates close friend colleague  
couple ex fiancé flatmate partner

- 1 Jack's divorced, but he has a new *partner* \_\_\_\_\_ called Kerry.
- 2 This is Eddie, my \_\_\_\_\_. We're getting married next year.
- 3 Katie is a very \_\_\_\_\_. I tell her everything.
- 4 That girl over there is my \_\_\_\_\_. We went out together for two years.
- 5 Tony and I were \_\_\_\_\_ at secondary school.
- 6 I went to the conference with a \_\_\_\_\_ from work.
- 7 Holly is a great \_\_\_\_\_. She's good company, and she's very tidy.
- 8 Olly and Megan are a very nice \_\_\_\_\_. We've known them since university.

## 4- GRAMMAR

Complete these sentences with **no- or any- + -body/-thing/-where**.

- 1 I don't want ... *anything* ... to drink. I'm not thirsty.
- 2 The bus was completely empty. There was ..... on it.
- 3 'Where did you go for your holidays?' ' ..... I didn't go away.'
- 4 'Can you smell gas?' 'No, I can't smell .....'
- 5 Everybody seemed satisfied. ..... complained.
- 6 Let's go away. We can go ..... you like.
- 7 The town is still the same as it was years ago. ..... has changed.
- 8 'What did you buy?' ' ..... I couldn't find ..... I wanted.'
- 9 There was complete silence in the room. ..... said .....

## 5 AND 6

Complete the sentences. Choose from the box.

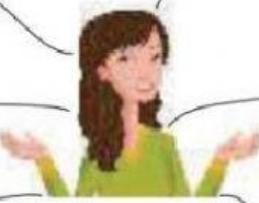
- 1 Lisa used to have very long hair when she was a child.
- 2 We used to watch TV a lot, but we don't have a TV any more.
- 3 Lisa works in a shop now. She is a receptionist in a hotel.
- 4 What games did you use to play when you were a child?
- 5 I used to like big cities, but now I prefer the countryside.
- 6 In your last job, how many hours a day did you have to work?
- 7 I don't travel very much these days, but I used to travel a lot.
- 8 I used to run ten kilometres, but I can't run that far now.
- 9 These days I eat more than before. I used to eat as much.

did  
didn't  
to  
use  
used  
used to  
used to be  
used to have  
be able

Compare what Karen said ten years ago and what she says today:

TEN YEARS AGO

I travel a lot.  
I'm very lazy.  
I don't like cheese.  
I never drink tea.  
I play the piano.  
I have a dog.



TODAY

I eat lots of cheese now.  
My dog died two years ago.  
I work very hard these days.  
I haven't played the piano for a long time.  
I don't go away much these days.  
Tea's great! I like it now.



Now write about how Karen has changed. Use used to / didn't use to / never used to in the first part of your sentence.

- 1 She used to travel a lot, but she doesn't go away much these days.
- 2 She used to eat lots of cheese, but she doesn't eat lots of cheese now.
- 3 She used to have a dog, but she doesn't have a dog now.
- 4 She used to work very hard, but she doesn't work very hard now.
- 5 She used to play the piano, but she doesn't play the piano now.
- 6 She used to have a dog, but her dog died two years ago.

## 7- REORDER THE WORDS

### 5B-EVERY DAY ENGLISH

1. YOU HERE MIND DO IF I SIT?
2. AT 9 OK IF YOU COME IS IT FOR DINNER?
3. THE BOOK YOU PASS PLEASE? COULD
4. DO ME YOU A BIG FAVOUR? COULD
5. PICK FRANCISCO DO YOU COULD UP YOU THINK THE SCHOOL?
6. HAVE CLASSES HOW THAT YOU COME DON'T AT SCHOOL?
7. I'LL PHONE DON'T MIND YOU LATER IF YOU
8. MIND WAITING FOR WOULD YOU ME OUTSIDE?

# 5- FROM

## 8- CHALLENGE

Complete the article. Write one word in each space.

# A perfect match

Andre Agassi and Steffi Graf both used to be very famous tennis players. They're also a <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. The pair have been married <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ 2001, and they have two teenage children.

Agassi and Graf have a lot <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ common. When they were little, their fathers were very ambitious for them. As children, they <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to practise for hours each day to become successful players.

In 1992, both Agassi and Graf won Wimbledon, but they didn't actually meet until 1999, when they both won the French Open tournament in Paris. At the time, the two were quite different <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ each other. Agassi was famous <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ his wild appearance and rebellious personality, while Graf was quieter and <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ sensible. The two started going <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ together after the tournament, and they've been together ever since.

During their careers, Agassi and Graf earned a lot of money, and today they <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ worth millions of dollars. They both work for different organizations helping to <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ money for charity.



## 9-LISTENING

Listen again. Answer with **George**, **Beth**, **Caitlin**, or **Ned**.

Which caller...?

- 1  does not want to share personal information with strangers
- 2  has fewer *Facebook* friends than he / she used to have
- 3  has over a thousand friends
- 4  uses it to keep in touch with friends who don't live near
- 5  thinks people use *Facebook* to give themselves more importance
- 6  used to use *Facebook* more than he / she does now
- 7  uses *Facebook* instead of phoning
- 8  does not use social networking sites