Englisch für Fortgeschrittene 3

English for advanced learners 3

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Lesson 1 Growing up in the 50s, 60s and 70s (I)

VOCABULARY
VOKABELN

adorable
bezaubernd, reizend
grateful dankbar
spoiled hier: verwöhnt
rollerblades Rollschuhe mit hintereinander laufenden Rollen
independent selbstständig, unabhängig
anxious ängstlich
siblings Geschwister
curious neugierig

After spending a day with their grandchildren, a couple talk about their own childhoods and how being a child has changed.

John: Well, that was a fun day with the kids. But now I am tired and ready for a nice beer.

Lisa: Yes, they really are adorable children, I am so grateful. The only thing is that I sometimes think they are a little bit spoiled.

John: What do you mean?

Lisa: I mean all those toys and clothes and that they have so many hobbies, I wonder if they ever have time to actually just play and be children.

John: Well, we are a big family and everybody wants to get them nice things. Every Christmas, every birthday, even for Easter we get them Barbies, trucks, rollerblades, you name it.

Lisa: You're right. And it makes them so happy. I love seeing their faces when they open up the presents. But I think the fact that they are not independent is worse than having all those material things.

John: What do you mean by independent? They are still quite young.

Lisa: I mean, when I was a child, it was normal for me to walk to meet my friends. My parents didn't drive me around everywhere. And nobody worried as long as we were back before it got dark.

Lesson 16 Green cities (II)

VOCABULARY
VOKABELN

polluted verschmutzt
species Art (auch Plural: Arten)
adaptable anpassungsfähig
urban städtisch
admittedly zugegebenermaßen
medical mask Mundschutz
disease Krankheit
proof Beweis
to back up something etwas bestätigen/untermauern
research Forschung
ground cover vegetation Bodendeckervegetation
significant bedeutend/ wesentlich
shelter Unterschlupf
insight Einblick (auch: Erkenntnis)
wildlife Tierwelt

Interviewer: But can plants and animals in these areas live and grow as if there were no big city next to them?

Dr. Baker: Unless it is an extremely polluted area, yes, there is no problem. Most species are extremely adaptable to changes in their environment. So even if there is some urban influence, they are able to deal with it.

Interviewer: What about cities like Hong Kong or Delhi, which are among the most polluted cities in the world? Are there even any parks that people can go to for recreation?

Dr. Baker: Of course there are! Admittedly, though, it is a little bit ironic to go to a park in a city where people wear medical masks to protect themselves from diseases and pollution. Nevertheless, the climate in parks, no matter their size, is certainly better than in the city centre.

Interviewer: Is there any scientific proof to back that up?

Dr. Baker: There is! Research shows that trees and ground cover vegetation have significant cooling and clearing effects. Trees also shelter local wildlife!

Interviewer: Well, thank you very much, Dr. Baker, for sharing your insights.

Dr. Baker: It was a pleasure! Thank you for having me.

LISTEN

1. Listen to the phone conversation. Answer the questions.

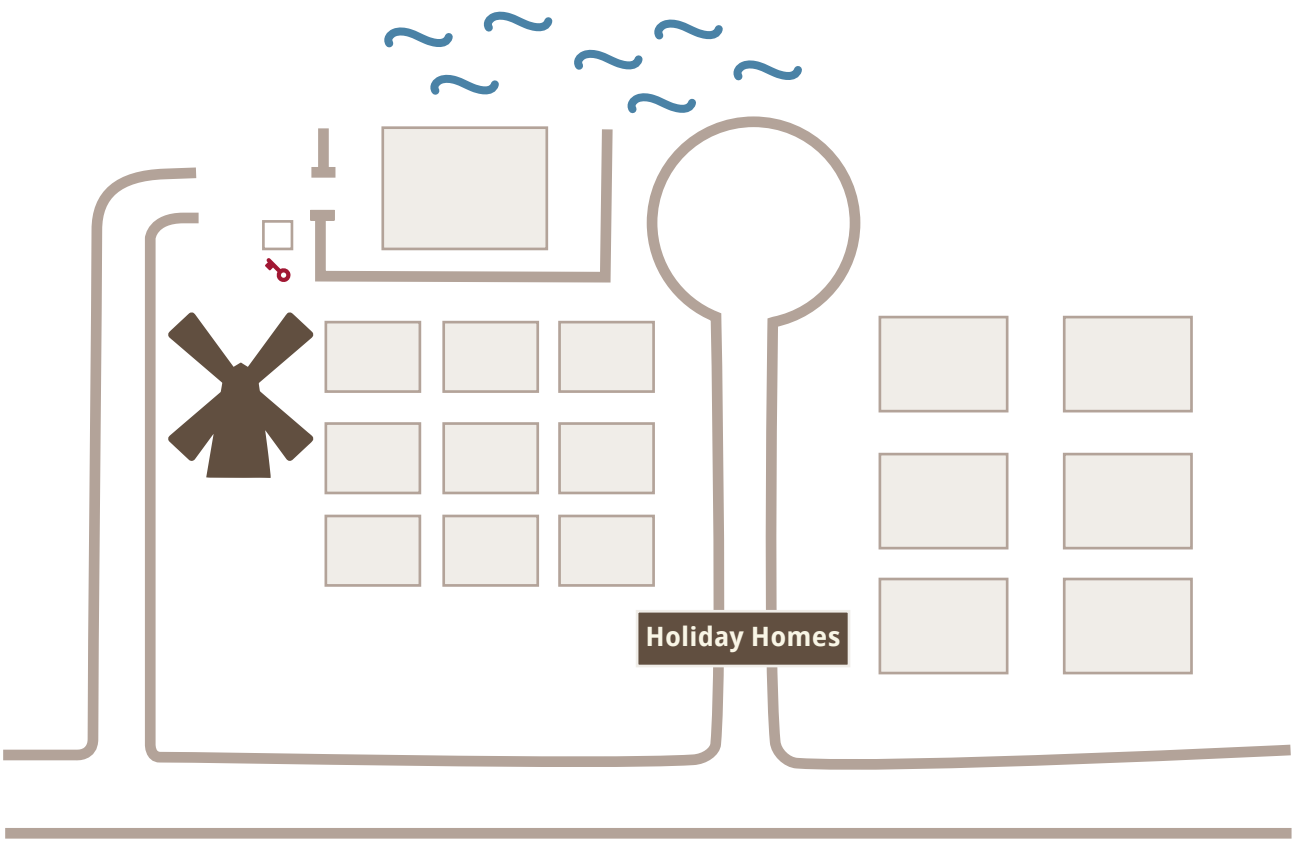
Why can't the Meyers find their holiday home?

Where is the holiday home located?

How will they get the keys?

EXERCISE

2. Find the way to the house based on the agent's directions.



LET´S TALK

3. What are the differences between a holiday home, a bed and breakfast and a hotel? Discuss in class.

Vokabeln nach Lektionen

Lesson 1 Lektion 1

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Lesson 2 Lektion 2

childproof kindersicher
dip, to eintunken/eintauchen
doll Puppe
front seat Vordersitz
kart Gokart
lid Deckel/Verschluss
lock Schloss
miracle Wunder
overweight übergewichtig
scrap Altmetall/Schrott
society Gesellschaft
value Wert

Lesson 3 Lektion 3

acquaintance Bekanntschaft
apparently scheinbar
bachelor Junggeselle
base sth. on sth., to hier: etw. auf etw. stützen/basieren
be caught up in sth., to in etw. sehr involviert sein
congratulations Glückwünsche
eternal ewig
for the time being vorerst
in the long term auf lange Sicht
love at first sight Liebe auf den ersten Blick
No way! Das gibt's doch nicht!
promotion Beförderung
to engage in teilnehmen an
to be sick of something die Schnauze voll haben
to take the plunge den Sprung/Schritt wagen

Lesson 4 Lektion 4

abroad im/ins Ausland
freedom Freiheit
least am wenigsten
nursing home Altenheim/Pflegeheim
peace Frieden
purpose Bestimmung
space hier: Platz/Raum
subject Thema
rate, to bewerten

Lesson 5 Lektion 5

approach Annäherung/Vorgehensweise
assume,to annehmen
coincidence Zufall
clumsiness Tollpatschigkeit
intentional beabsichtigt
odd komisch, seltsam, eigenartig
Oh my gosh! Oh mein Gott/meine Güte!
polite höflich
spill, to verschütten
stranger Fremde/r

Lesson 6 Lektion 6

beyond darüber hinaus
bond, to eine Bindung herstellen
due to aufgrund von
former ehemalig
head out, to sich auf den Weg machen
host, to veranstalten
itinerary Reiseroute/Programm
linear geradlinig
planting Bepflanzung
recreational space Erholungsraum
redevelop, to sanieren
relate, to hier: nachvollziehen

Lesson 7 Lektion 7

bend over, to sich nach vorne beugen
bump into sb., to jmd. anrempeln
day off freier Tag
drop sth., to etw. fallen lassen
drown, to untergehen
Gosh! Meine Güte!
head to, to auf dem Weg sein
hustle and bustle Trubel/Betriebsamkeit
notice, to zur Kenntnis nehmen/bemerken
occur, to auftreten
pick up sth., to etw. aufheben kind of irgendwie
side effect Nebenwirkung