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WARM-UP

The words you need
1. believe
2. awesome
3. group
4. exploring
5. island
6. jungle
7. landed

Look and predict
1. c
2. a

NOW WATCH
1. See Look and predict above.
2. 1. In Europe.
   2. Next week.
   3. Yes.
   4. He saw the Eiffel Tower. / He went to the top of the Eiffel Tower.
3. 1. In Tahiti.
   2. A small island not far from Tahiti.
   3. The plane developed some technical problem.
   4. 24 hours.
   5. He went exploring in the jungle.
4. a. All the men had buckets on their heads.
   b. Two men—not three—ran towards him.
   c. There was no rain.

FOLLOW-UP

The language you need
1. A: were you
   B: was
   A: Did you see
   B: visited
2. A: are you doing
   B: am going / Are you working
   A: don’t work
3. A: do you live
   B: live
   A: did you move
   B: moved
   A: Do you live
   B: is staying

Oral practice (suggested answers)
1. B: What does the man usually do?
   A: He usually works in the morning.
   B: What is he doing now?
   A: He is swimming in the sea.
   B: What do the children usually do?
   A: They usually do their homework.
   B: What are they doing now?
   A: They are playing basketball.
2. A: Where did you go?
   B: I went to Rome.
   A: Did you have a good time?
   B: Yes, I did. I had a wonderful time.
   A: What did you do?
   B: I visited many sights and took lots of pictures.
   A: What did you see?
   B: I saw the Colosseum.
   A: When did you come back?
   B: I came back yesterday.

episode 2

WARM-UP

The words you need
1. tasty
2. give a hand
3. corn
4. peas
5. sausages
6. boiling
7. lettuce

Look and predict
1. 1. a
   2. b
2. carrots: Tracy
   yogurt: Tracy
   hamburger: Gwen
   french fries: Gwen
   stir-fry: Tracy
   tortillas: Tracy

NOW WATCH
1. See Look and predict above.
2. 1. a, b
   2. b, c
3. tomatoes
   onions
   garlic
   peas
   corn
4. 1. vitamins, healthy
   2. delicious
5. 1. To have a double Big Mac.
   2. Tracy’s vitamins.
FOLLOW-UP

The language you need
1. B: any
   A: lots / a lot
   B: any
   A: some / a few
2. B: a few
   B: many
   B: a little
   A: lots / a lot
3. A: too, enough / any

Oral practice (suggested answers)
A: Let’s buy some mineral water.
B: Yes, we should buy lots of bottles.
A: How about some fruit?
B: Let’s buy a few bananas and lots of apples.
A: OK. Should we buy some salami and ham?
B: Sure. But we shouldn’t buy any tuna because I don’t like it.

episode 3

WARM-UP

The words you need
a. 2     b. 3     c. 1

Look and predict

c

NOW WATCH
1. See Look and predict above.

2. a. 2
   b. 1
   c. 5
   d. 4
   e. -
   f. 3

3. Dr. Williams / the doctor
call back
Don’t worry, nothing serious

4. Gwen: May I speak to
   Nurse: I’m afraid
   How may
   Gwen: This is
   Nurse: What seems to be

5. b

6. 1. To get Tracy some water.
    2. Lots of carrots.
    3. She’s on a strict carrot juice diet.

FOLLOW-UP

The language you need
1. A: should I
   B: Do you have
   B: shouldn’t

2. A: What seems
   A: should
   B: What’s wrong
   A: nothing
3. B: told me to
   B: told me not to

Oral practice (suggested answers)
A: I have a sore throat.
B: You should drink some tea.
C: You shouldn’t smoke.
D: You should go to the doctor.
A: B told me to drink some tea. C told me not to smoke.
   D told me to go to the doctor.

episode 4

WARM-UP

The words you need
1. screaming
2. blocking
3. doorbell
4. violin
   case
5. clown
6. wig
7. fiddle
8. towel
9. push

Look and predict
1. c
2. c
3. a
4. b

NOW WATCH
1. See Look and predict above.

2. 1. She was washing her hair.
    2. She got a towel.
    3. He was short and slim.
    4. A colourful shirt and a big hat on top of a blond wig.
    5. A violin case.
    6. About 20 minutes ago.

3. a. 3
   b. 1
   c. 5
   d. 6
   e. 4
   f. 2

4. 1. She was alone in the apartment.
   2. His foot was blocking it.
   3. He sang Happy Birthday To You.

5. 1. F
    2. T
    3. T
    4. F
FOLLOW-UP
The language you need
1. A: Did you hear
   A: was skating, fell, broke
2. A: had
   A: was sunbathing, was swimming, heard, got up, ran, looked for, was playing, went
3. A: saw
   B: was standing, drove, stopped, got, ran, came, got, drove

Oral practice (suggested answers)
1. A: What were you doing when you saw the UFO?
   B: I was driving down an old country road.
A: So what did you do then?
B: I stopped the car and used my cell phone to call the police.

episode 5
WARM-UP
The words you need
1. fitness club
2. fit
3. on a regular basis
4. supervise
5. work out
6. certainly
7. personal trainer
8. exercise machines

Look and predict
1. He’s a personal trainer.
2. Yes.
3. No.
4. A and B.

NOW WATCH
1. See Look and predict above.

2. 1. long have you worked here
    2. you work every day
    3. what you actually do
    4. you have a class today
    5. what kind of people come here

3. 1. T
    2. F
    3. T
    4. F
    5. T
    6. T

4. 1. c
    2. c
    3. c

FOLLOW-UP
The language you need
1. A: Have you, tried
   A: tried
2. A: have you known
   B: met, have known, for
   A: have been, since, haven’t seen
3. B: did, have never skied
   B: haven’t skied, for

Oral practice (suggested answers)
1. A: How long have you known your best friend?
   B: I’ve known my best friend since 1999. And you?
A: I’ve known my best friend for about five years.
B: How long have you lived in this city?
A: I have lived here for 15 years. And you?
B: I’ve lived here all my life.
A: How long have you been a student here?
B: I’ve been a student here since 2004. And you?
A: I’ve been a student here for two years.
B: How long have you had your computer.
A: I’ve had my computer for two years. And you?
B: I’ve only had mine for a week.

2. Could you tell me what time the class finishes?
   Do you know when the last day of class is?
   Can you tell me how much your watch costs?
   Could you tell me where your father works?
   Can you tell me where you went last night?

episode 6
WARM-UP
The words you need
1. male
2. leading
3. cash
4. doubled
5. consolation prize

Look and predict
1. c
2. a
3. c

NOW WATCH
1. See Look and predict above.

2. 1. F
    2. T
    3. T
    4. F

3. 1. the best player
    2. as busy as
    3. the busiest airport
    4. world record
    5. more than
    6. richer than

4. 1. c
    2. b
    3. c
    4. b
FOLLOW-UP

The language you need
1. A: faster
   B: the fastest
2. A: less crowded
   B: more crowded than
3. A: as noisy as
   B: bigger than
4. A: worst, most boring
   B: as boring as

Oral practice (suggested answers)
A: I prefer House B because it’s cheaper than House A.
B: Yes, but House C is the biggest of all and it’s also closer to the downtown area than House B.

episode 7
WARM-UP

The words you need
1. plenty of
2. till
3. rush
4. plants
5. water

Look and predict
1. At his Mom’s house.
2. He is going on a trip. / He is going away.
3. Because his mother worries too much about him.

NOW WATCH
1. See Look and predict above.
2. 1. The keys to his apartment.
   2. Next Friday.
   3. She will water his plants.
   4. At 8:35.
   5. A sandwich.
   6. He looks tired.
3. Len can sleep on the plane.
   Len has to be at the airport at 7:30.
   Len can’t be late.
   Len doesn’t need to call a taxi.
   Len doesn’t need to take a sandwich with him.
4. 1. T
   2. F
   3. F
   4. F
   5. T

FOLLOW-UP

The language you need
1. A: Can
   B: can’t, must / have to
2. A: have to
   A: Can
   B: must / have to
3. A: Can
   B: can’t, mustn’t
4. A: must / have to
   B: can
4. A: don’t have to, can

Oral practice (suggested answers)
A: Do I have to lock the door when I leave the house?
B: No, you don’t have to. But you have to turn off the lights before leaving the house.

episode 8
WARM-UP

The words you need
1. VARIETY
2. FOREST
3. ENVIRONMENT
6. EVENT
9. SPOT
10. SPECIES
11. BREATHTAKING
14. DEFINITELY

Look and predict
A, C, E, F, H

NOW WATCH
1. See Look and predict above.
2. 1. It is disappearing.
   2. Next Monday.
   3. When the opening ceremony is over.
3. 1. c
   2. a
   3. c
4. Visitors will have to respect the park.
   Visitors will have to pay for the guided tour.
   Visitors won’t have to pay to enter the park.
   Visitors mustn’t leave garbage behind.

FOLLOW-UP

The language you need
1. B: will
   A: will have to
   B: Will
   A: won’t be able to
   B: will
2. B: will
   A: will have to, won’t
   B: won’t be able to

Oral practice (suggested answers)
A: I think we will have to get a visa first of all.
B: I believe we won’t have to get a visa, but we will certainly have to get some traveler’s checks.
A: I also think we will have to take lots of clothes with us because we will be in the USA for a whole month.
B: That’s true. Do you think we will be able to see the President?
A: Perhaps. But we will have to go to Washington if we want to see him.

episode 9
WARM-UP
The words you need
1. hole
2. perfect
3. throw
4. you bet
5. raise
6. It’s your turn.

Look and predict
1. b
2. a
3. b

NOW WATCH
1. See Look and predict above.

2. 1. nice place
   2. perfect (for the shooting you want)
   3. might be a bit too noisy
   4. I can get the right people to interview
   5. arrange a shooting for next week

3. 1. She’s never played before. She doesn’t have the right shoes.
   2. Size 7.
   3. In the holes.
   4. It’s quite heavy.

4. 1. doesn’t laugh
   2. Len will have to do the shooting
   3. Tracy might not play

5. 1. Two.
   2. All of them.
   3. Disappointed and angry.
   4. Happy.

FOLLOW-UP
The language you need
1. B: is, will go
2. A: brush, will become
3. B: miss, will take
4. B: don’t turn, will call

Oral practice (suggested answers)
1.
A: If Helen does not study, she will fail her exam.
B: I agree, and I also think her parents won’t let her watch TV again.
A: If Ian practices the violin every day, he will become a great musician.
B: I agree, and he will have lots of fans.
A: If Peter eats too much, he will get a stomachache.
B: Yes, and he will get fat.
A: If the boys don’t wake up, they will miss their stop.
B: I agree and they will be late for class.

2.
A: George may attend the Blue Devils Air Show because he loves airplanes.
B: I agree. He might also go to the All-Star Basketball game because he loves sports.
A: Barbara might go see Joe’s Jazzmen perform because she likes music and plays the saxophone.
B: Yes, I agree. She could also take part in the go-carting competition because she likes racing with go-carts.

episode 10
WARM-UP
The words you need
1. advising
2. graduate
3. amateur
4. choice
5. youngster
6. realize
7. support
8. acting

Look and predict
1. c
2. b
3. a

NOW WATCH
1. See Look and predict above.

2. 1. She helps and advises young people.
   2. For a number of years. / For a long time.
   3. It’s been very rewarding.

3. 1. F
   2. T
   3. T
   4. F

4. 1. They both hate accounting and they both like acting.
   2. A long time. / Since he was a kid.
   3. Yes. People always tell him he should go professional.

5. follow your dreams, continue doing it
   hold a degree, be able to do, he really wants in his life, support, choice of career

FOLLOW-UP
The language you need
1. A: have you been driving
   A: do I
2. A: has been working
   A: Neither
3. A: have been trying
   B: either
4. A: has visited
   A: have I
   B: would I

Oral practice (suggested answers)
A: Do you like football?
B: Yes, I do.
A: So do I / I do too. / I don’t or
A: Do you like football?
B: No, I don’t.
A: Neither do I. / I don’t either. / I do.

episode 11
WARM-UP
The words you need
1. sheep
2. awake
3. sleepy
4. unable
5. having trouble
6. cheer up

Look and predict
1. b
2. c
3. c

NOW WATCH
1. See Look and predict above.
2. ✓ some warm milk
   ✓ try reading for a while
to bed early
3. 1. a
   2. c
4. 1. Another cup of coffee.
   2. Coffee keeps you up.
   3. Some sleep.

FOLLOW-UP
The language you need
1. B: didn’t you
   A: aren’t I
   B: have you
2. B: wrong
   B: aren’t you
   A: can / should
   B: Have you tried
   B: should
3. A: should
   B: should
   A: do you
4. A: aren’t you
   A: haven’t you
   A: is it

Oral practice (suggested answers)
A: What’s wrong with you?
B: I feel down in the dumps. I think it’s stress.
A: What symptoms do you have?
B: Well, I can’t sleep at night. What should I do?
A: Try drinking some warm milk before going to bed.
   You should also exercise regularly and you shouldn’t worry too much about work.

episode 12
WARM-UP
The words you need
1. unrooted
2. clearing
3. broke out
4. viewers
5. nearby
6. actual

Look and predict
A, C, D, E

NOW WATCH
1. See Look and predict above.
2. their homes, in the hospital, blown across the road, lifted some cars, dropped them, uprooted, blocked the roads
3. 1. Near the edge of town.
   2. The tornado caused a gas explosion.
   3. No.
   4. A home video.
   5. A viewer.

FOLLOW-UP
The language you need
1.
   1. A: noticed
      A: thought, had stolen, called
      B: Did they find
      A: had broken down, had taken
   2. B: was
      B: rained, didn’t have, had given
      B: forgot / had forgotten
      B: had never been
2.
   1. A: What
      A: such
      B: so
      A: How
   2. A: such
      A: How
      A: so
      A: What

Oral practice (suggested answers)
A: I heard you went to a musical last night. Were there many people?
B: Oh, yes. The theater was so crowded that it took us 30 minutes to get in.
A: What about the actors? Were they good?
B: The acting was so poor I thought they were amateurs.
A: What did you think of the plot?
B: It was such a boring plot that I almost fell asleep.
A: How was the music?
B: It was so loud that it gave me a headache.
A: And the songs?
B: The songs were so bad that I left before the end of the show.

episode 14
WARM-UP

Look and predict
1. See Look and predict above.

NOW WATCH
1. See Look and predict above.

2. 1. B
   2. R
   3. L
   4. R
   5. R
   6. M
   7. M
   8. L

3. I am
   the / our station is / are planning
   yours

4. 1. a
   2. c
   3. c

FOLLOW-UP

The language you need
1. A: were
   B: had, would fly
2. A: asked, would you say
   B: went down, would accept
   A: weren’t
3. A: knew
   B: learned, would go, would have
   A: had, would take
   B: want, will find
4. A: had
   B: would lend, didn’t need

Oral practice (suggested answers)
A: I had a long discussion with my father about getting a car last night. I told him that I needed a car to go to school. He said I was too young to drive. I asked him when he thought I would be old enough to drive and he answered when I turned 21!
episode 1

Tracy: Hi and welcome to this week’s edition of Focus. This is Tracy Woodstock and I’m standing in for Len Dawson. He’s visiting some cities in Europe and I’m sure he’s having a wonderful time. He’s coming back next week and he’s going to tell you where he was and what he saw.

Len: Hi, Tracy. Good to see you again.
Tracy: Hi, Len. What are you doing here?
Len: Well, Tracy, I believe I’m your first guest today.
Tracy: Of course! But I thought you were on vacation in Europe. When did you come back?
Len: Two hours ago.
Tracy: You seem happy. Did you have a good time?
Len: Awesome, Tracy! I went to Rome, Paris...
Tracy: Did you see the Eiffel Tower?
Len: I sure did and I even went all the way to the top. It was wonderful.
Tracy: Did you get that bucket there?
Gwen: What bucket?
Tracy: The bucket on your head.
Gwen: Oh, that bucket? Just kidding. No, I didn’t get it in Tahiti. I got it in Trangipani.
Len: Trangipani? Where is that?
Gwen: It’s a small island not very far from Tahiti. You see, on the way back from Tahiti, the plane developed some technical problem, so we landed there.
Tracy: Wow! How many hours did you stay there?
Gwen: We were there twenty-four hours, so I went exploring in the jungle.
Len: Interesting, I bet.
Tracy: Did you see any other people?
Gwen: Not at first. But then I heard some noise coming from a clearing.
Tracy: What did you do?
Gwen: I walked towards the clearing, then I saw a group of people. They all had buckets on their heads.
Tracy: Like the one you have?
Gwen: That’s right.
Tracy: Then what?
Gwen: Two men ran towards me and they put a bucket on my head.
Tracy: But why did they have buckets on their heads?
Gwen: Well, later I learned it was a water ritual.
Tracy: What do you mean?
Gwen: On the island of Trangipani it doesn’t rain very often, so the people sing and dance with buckets on their heads and ask their gods for rain.
Tracy: I see. But Gwen, why are you still wearing the bucket on your head?
Gwen: It’s cute and I come from Arizona. We need some rain there, you know.
Len: Whatever helps, huh?

episode 2

Tracy: I’m very lucky I met you, Gwen. And thanks for giving me a hand with these bags.
Gwen: No problem, sis. But what do you have in here?

episode 3

Tracy: Oh, Gwen. I’m so glad you’re here.
Gwen: That makes a change. What’s wrong?
Tracy: Are you kidding? Look at me.
Gwen: Oh, my God! Your face is orange!
Tracy: What should I do?
Gwen: I don’t know. Let me think.
Tracy: That’s a big help.
Gwen: You poor thing! You look terrible.
Tracy: Thanks, Gwen. I already know that.
Gwen: Do you have a temperature?
Tracy: I don’t know.
Gwen: Your head’s not hot. Do you have a headache or a stomachache?
Tracy: No, I don’t.
Gwen: I’m sure it’s nothing serious.
Tracy: How do you know?
episode 4

Police Officer: So, Miss… tell me exactly what happened.
Tracy: While I was washing my hair, the doorbell rang. I got a towel, went to the door and opened it.
Police Officer: And what did you see?
Tracy: There was a clown standing there.
Police Officer: A clown, you say?
Tracy: Yes.
Police Officer: What did he look like?
Tracy: He was short and slim.
Police Officer: What was he wearing?
Tracy: He was wearing a colorful shirt and a big hat on top of a blonde wig. And he was carrying a violin case.
Police Officer: When did all this happen?
Tracy: About twenty minutes ago.
Police Officer: OK. So what happened next?
Tracy: He took a fiddle out of the case and started playing it.
Police Officer: Do you remember what he played?
Tracy: Are you kidding? I was too scared.
Police Officer: Were you scared of the clown? Why?
Tracy: Well, I was alone in the apartment. I asked him what this was all about but he didn’t say a word. He just looked at me in a very strange way.
Police Officer: Why didn’t you close the door?

Gwen: Because you don’t have any other symptoms.
Tracy: But my face is bright orange!
Gwen: Did you call a doctor?
Tracy: Well, I called Dr. Williams but he wasn’t there. I spoke to his nurse.
Gwen: What did she say?
Tracy: She told me to call back later.
Gwen: Is that all?
Tracy: Well, she told me not to worry because it’s probably nothing serious.
Gwen: Oh, yes, Tracy. You shouldn’t worry and you should get some rest.
Tracy: Thanks, Gwen, but I prefer to get a doctor’s advice.
Gwen: I know. I’ll call my doctor.
Nurse: Good morning. Dr. Mathews’ office.
Gwen: May I speak to Dr. Mathews, please?
Nurse: I’m afraid he isn’t here at the moment. I’m his nurse. How may I help you?
Gwen: This is Gwen Woodstock.
Nurse: What seems to be the problem, Miss Woodstock?
Gwen: My sister’s face has turned orange.
Nurse: Does she have a temperature?
Gwen: No.
Nurse: Tell her to drink plenty of water and to stay in bed. I’ll try to find the doctor.
Gwen: Thank you. Goodbye.
Tracy: Well? What’s wrong with me?
Gwen: It’s nothing serious. You should drink plenty of water. I’ll go get you some.
Tracy: I do look terrible.
Gwen: Oh, no!
Tracy: What is it?
Gwen: What are all those carrots in the kitchen?
Tracy: I’m on a strict carrot juice diet.
Gwen: Well, now I know why you look like a carrot!

episode 5

Tracy: Do you like exercising? Have you ever gone to a gym on a regular basis? This is Talk to Tracy with Tracy Woodstock and today I’m here at the Nautilus Fitness Club. With me is Chuck, one of the personal trainers here. Hi, Chuck.
Chuck: Hi, Tracy.
Tracy: How long have you worked here, Chuck?
Chuck: For about four years. Actually, since the gym opened.
Tracy: Tell me, Chuck, do you work every day?
Chuck: You bet. It’s so busy here. I haven’t had a day off for weeks.
Tracy: Can you tell me what you actually do?
Chuck: Lots of things. I organize individual workouts for people and supervise while they are working out. I give aerobics classes, I…
Tracy: Oh, do you have a class today?
Chuck: Yeah. It’s starting in about 20 minutes. You can join the group if you like.
Tracy: Thanks. You know, I did some aerobics when I was in college, but I’ve never been in a group before.
Chuck: Oh, it’s great fun.
Tracy: Could you tell me what kind of people come here at the Nautilus Fitness Club?
Chuck: Well, people of all ages. Some people have put on weight and they want to lose a few pounds. Most people come here because they want to stay fit and healthy and they like exercising.
Tracy: Mm… I see there is a lot of equipment here.
Chuck: There certainly is. Would you like to try some?
Tracy: Um… well, why not?
Chuck: OK. Follow me. Have you ever tried the treadmill?
Tracy: No, I haven’t tried it before.
Chuck: Would you like to give it a try?
Tracy: Um… Sure.
Chuck: Don’t tell me you are tired already.
Tracy: No, no, it’s not that, but I’d like to try something else, too. Perhaps something I can sit on.
Chuck: How about that? Have you ever tried cycling?
Tracy: Yeah, but not this kind of thing.
episode 6

Len: Good evening, ladies and gentlemen and welcome to Quiz Time, the quiz show with the biggest money prizes. Back with us tonight is Kerry Rice who was still coming up with correct answers at the end of last week’s show. Nice to have you back, Kerry.

Kerry: Nice to be here again, Len.

Len: Kerry, you have already won 55,000 dollars. How do you feel?

Kerry: Very happy, I guess.

Len: Are you ready for your first question tonight?

Kerry: I hope so, Len.

Len: The category this time is shopping. So, Kerry, can you tell me which is the most expensive shopping street in the world? Is it Oxford Street in London, is it 57th Street in New York, or is it Fifth Avenue in New York?

Kerry: Well, I know that Oxford Street is less expensive than 57th Street and Fifth Avenue is more expensive than 57th Street. So the answer is Fifth Avenue.

Len: Well done, Kerry! Now a question about Hollywood for another $5,000. Can you tell me, Kerry, which male actor had the most leading roles ever?

Kerry: That’s an easy one. It was John Wayne who played the lead in 142 movies.

Len: That is correct. Congratulations. This evening you are proving that you are the best player ever on Quiz Time, Kerry. The category now is transportation. Can you tell me, Kerry, which of the following holds the record for the busiest airport in the world? London Heathrow, Chicago O’Hare or Los Angeles International?

Kerry: Well, it’s not Los Angeles International because it’s not as busy as Chicago O’Hare. As for London Heathrow, it’s probably the busiest airport in Europe, but I don’t think it holds the world record.

Len: So?

Kerry: I will say Chicago O’Hare.

Len: That is correct. Well done, Kerry. So far you have won $70,000, that’s more than any other contestant this year.

Kerry: Wow! I sure am richer than when I first came on the show.

Len: You certainly are. And that tells us it’s jackpot time. Here is your opportunity, Kerry, to double your money. All you need to do is answer the next question correctly. However, if you answer incorrectly, you will lose everything. So, what do you say?

Kerry: I’ll take that chance, Len.

Len: OK, Kerry. So, for the highest cash prize ever offered on this show, the category is geography.

Kerry: Oh dear, it’s not my best subject but I suppose I’m ready.

Len: Kerry, which is the longest European river? Is it the Danube, is it the Volga, or is it the Rhine?

Kerry: Mmm... I’m not 100% sure but I think it’s the Danube.

Len: So, is that your final answer?

Kerry: Yes, I’ll say the Danube.

Len: Kerry, I’m sorry but the Volga is longer than the Danube. There is no money prize for you, but there is a consolation prize. You can take this stylish garden furniture with you.

episode 7

Len: Here are the keys to my apartment, Mom. Remember I’m going to be away till next Friday.

Mom: I remember, Len. I’ll go and water your plants every day.

Len: Good.

Mom: What time is your flight?

Len: At 8:35. But I have to be at the airport at around 7:30.

Mom: Are you sure you have everything?

Len: Yes, Mom.

Mom: Would you like a sandwich?

Len: No thanks.

Mom: But you must eat something.

Len: I don’t want to eat anything right now.

Mom: I’ll make you a sandwich to take with you on your trip.

Len: I don’t need a sandwich. They’ll serve us dinner during the flight.

Mom: Oh, Len, you look tired. You need some sleep.

Len: I can sleep on the plane.

Mom: It’s 6:30. You mustn’t be late.

Len: I don’t have to rush, Mom. There’s plenty of time.

Mom: You need to call a taxi.

Len: No, Mom. I don’t need to call a taxi. I’ve already done that.

Mom: Len... what are you doing?

Len: What do you mean?

Mom: You know you can’t smoke in here.

Len: Sorry, I forgot. Can I smoke in the kitchen?

Mom: No, you can’t. And remember you can’t smoke on the plane either.

Len: You don’t have to tell me. I know that.

Mom: Are you thirsty? Can I get you something to drink?

Len: No, thanks. I’m fine.

Mom: The taxi isn’t here yet. Are you sure you called for one?

Len: Calm down, Mom. Of course I did.

Mom: I can call to make sure if you like.

Len: Thanks but you don’t need to.

Mom: You know... you don’t have to take a taxi. I can drive you.

Len: Mom, you haven’t driven for years!

Mom: That’s true. Are you sure I can’t do anything for you?

Len: As a matter of fact, Mom, there is something you can do.

Mom: What is it, dear?

Len: You can just stop worrying!

episode 8

We live in a time when a lot of our wonderful countryside is disappearing and the situation with the environment is getting worse. But not all is lost.

Next Monday, the governor, Mark Folan will open the Brightman National Park. Channel TV, will be there to cover the opening ceremony. And as soon as the event is over, the public will be able to visit the park.

Brightman National Park has everything from a beautiful coastline with unspoiled beaches to some of the most impressive forests in the country.

Brightman waterfalls is one of the most beautiful spots in the park and will certainly be very popular with visitors.
They will be able to see the breathtaking view from the top of the falls while enjoying a cup of coffee at the coffee shop. Then, visitors can take a walk along Bluecreek River where there are lots of places to have a picnic.

Visitors will also be able to see a variety of wildlife at Brightman National Park. There are lots of beautiful flowers and birds. And of course the Brightman National Park area is famous for its hundreds of species of butterflies.

Starting next Wednesday there will be a bus service from the center of the city to the entrance of the park. Visitors won’t have to pay to enter but they will have to respect the park. So, if you decide to have a picnic, please don’t leave any garbage behind.

One of the highlights which the park will offer is a guided tour. Visitors will have to pay for the tour but it’s really worth it. So, if you’re looking for somewhere to go on a day tour, Visitors will also be able to see a variety of wildlife at Brightman National Park. There are lots of beautiful flowers and birds. And of course the Brightman National Park area is famous for its hundreds of species of butterflies.

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episode 12

Hundreds of people have lost their homes and many are in the hospital after a tornado hit the town of Wakeville, South Carolina, earlier this afternoon.

The tornado also caused huge problems on Route 28. It was so powerful that some cars were blown across the road smashing into others. It even lifted some cars in the air and dropped them into nearby fields.

The tornado also uprooted many trees which blocked the roads for a while. Fortunately, firefighters had cleared most of the roads before any accidents happened.

However, firefighters couldn’t do anything about a house that burned down near the edge of town. Fire broke out when the tornado caused a gas explosion in the house. Luckily, the family living there had left their home before the flames swept through it.

Now, what you are watching is a home video sent in to Channel TV. Here we can see the actual tornado itself, just seconds before it hit Wakeville. Look at that! What a sight! I’ve seen quite a few tornados in my time, but I must say this one is the most terrifying.

Let’s take another look at that. You can clearly see the funnel-shaped cloud forming there. How amazing these pictures are! And it’s thanks to one of our viewers, Mr. John Olden, that you can see these pictures, just hours after the tornado hit.

episode 13

Tracy: How bad is it? You don’t stay awake all night, do you?
Gwen: Sometimes. What can I do?
Tracy: Try drinking some warm milk before you go to bed.
Gwen: Don’t you think I’ve already tried that? Any other suggestions?
Tracy: Well, have you tried reading for a while before you turn the light off?
Gwen: I have, but it doesn’t seem to work for me.
Tracy: You look sleepy. Why don’t you try going to bed early tonight?
Gwen: I might. You know, I really feel down in the dumps.
Tracy: Is there anything I can do to cheer you up?
Gwen: I’m not sure. You see, Tracy, I don’t like being by myself.
Tracy: Oh, so you’re lonely. Well, you could always move back home.
Gwen: Are you crazy? And have Mom and Dad nagging me all the time? I could come and live here, couldn’t I?
Tracy: No, no. I have worked hard for this apartment. I’m not sharing it with anyone.
Gwen: Why isn’t anybody kind to me?
Tracy: That’s not true, Gwen. Anyway, remember that first of all, you should be kind to yourself.
Gwen: Oh, what’s wrong with me?
Tracy: Nothing that a good night’s sleep won’t fix.
Gwen: Do you mind if I have another cup of coffee?
Tracy: That isn’t a really good idea, is it?
Gwen: Why not?
Tracy: Haven’t you ever heard that coffee keeps you awake?
Gwen: Not if it’s decaf.
Tracy: Gwen, I really think you should go home now and get some sleep.
Gwen: But how?
Tracy: Haven’t you ever heard of counting sheep?

episode 14

Len: Hi. Tracy: Welcome back. How was your vacation? Len: I can’t say it was great. In fact, it was awful. Tracy: Oh no. Why? Len: Well, for starters, Betty told me she had made a reservation for an ocean front room.
Tracy: And?
Len: When I got to the hotel, the receptionist told me that they had given the last room to someone else the previous day.
Tracy: What did you do then?
Len: I told her that my office had made a reservation for the room weeks before.
Tracy: Did she give you another ocean front room?
Len: She said there were not any available and that the hotel was full. She asked me to try another hotel.
Tracy: So what happened then?
Len: I complained to the manager.
Tracy: Did he arrange for another room?
Len: At first, he told me that all the rooms were full from the day before. Then he asked me when I had made my reservation. I told him that my room had been reserved weeks before.
Tracy: So did he finally give you a room?
Len: Not until I told him I was Len Dawson from Channel TV and that the station was planning a report on resort hotels, including his.
Tracy: That was a good one.
Len: It worked like a charm. He suddenly discovered that there was an ocean front room available.
Tracy: So why was the vacation awful?
Len: It began to rain and it didn't stop the whole time I was there.
Tracy: I thought the weather girl had said that there would be sunny skies for the next two weeks.
Len: I guess she was wrong.
Tracy: That's too bad.
Len: After a week, I had enough and decided to leave.
Tracy: And did you?
Len: I tried to, but when I called the airline, they said there were no flights due to a strike, so I had to stay for another two days.
Tracy: What bad luck!
Len: However, I realized something, Tracy.
Tracy: What was that?
Len: It wasn't the hotel or the rainy weather that made this vacation so awful.
Tracy: What was it then?
Len: You see, when you go on vacation, the most important thing is to have the right company.
Tracy: And?
Len: Well, when I was there, I often thought: "If Tracy were here with me, it would be much better."
Tracy: Why, Len Dawson, are you trying to tell me something?