

Lesson note

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READING COMPREHENSION

Text: Economic Activities

No matter where you go, you will see people working. You will find them engaged in all sorts of different occupations. Some work in hospitals caring for the sick, others sell fruits and vegetables in outdoors markets. In towns and cities people work in government offices, in shops, and factories. In rural areas you will find people working in agriculture, raising the fruits vegetables and livestock which are sold in nearby markets or in faraway business. A tailor for example produces clothes for individual customers in the latest fashion. Someone with training in electronics might repair delicate stereo equipment such as record players and tape recorders. Whatever it is that they do, workers receive money for their work. By working each is able to earn his living. In this way, wage earners are able to pay for the things that they and their relatives need. First, they must provide for the most important need. Food, clothing, shelter and medical care fall under this category and are called «essential needs». People also spend their money in other ways. Take for example, the wage earner who decides to take his family to watch a movie on a Saturday night or the well-dressed young man who buys a pair of shoes he has been admiring even though he already has three pairs at home. They are spending their money on things which are not very essential, such things fall under the heading of «luxuries». Of course, people don't always spend all the money they earn. That which they don't spend, they can save. Quite often; people put the money they wish to save in a saving account at a bank.

COMPREHENSION

A- Are the following statements true or false? Quote the text to Justify your answers.

- 1- Everywhere you go you will see jobless people.
- 2- In countryside people work in farming.
- 3- People who get salaries are capable of buying things for the whole tribe.
- 4- People invest money they don't spend.

B- Answer the following questions.

- 5- Give a brief definition of « economics »
- 6- What allows people to earn their living?
- 7- The writer mentions two words "essential" and "luxuries". What do they stand for?

II- LANGUAGE AND USAGE

A- Make the following sentences either passive or active

- 1- The girl has written many letters.
- 2- People say he doesn't learn his lessons.
- 3- The food is going to be cooked by Helen.
- 4- The table was broken.

B- Put the verb in brackets into the correct tense

- 1- I (spend) this weekend at Sokodé. I (go) there nearly every week.
- 2- We (live) in France when the war began.
- 3- He (work) all day yesterday.
- 4- I (live) here since 1999.

5- He(work) in the post office for twenty years

6-They (go) home after they (finish) their work.

C- Choose the best answer from the list to complete the sentences. Just write the letter against the numbers of the sentences:

1 The energy crisis is causing serious concern..... consumers.

(a) between, (b) than, (c) among, (d) from.

2-Pick ----- the receiver and dial your correspondent's number

(a) up, (b) down, (c) on, (d) to.

3-Two copies of the invoices must be----- to the importer

(a) send, (b) sends, (c) sent, (d) sending.

4- Please send us more..... information about your products

(a) detail (b) details, (c) detailed, (d) detailing,

5- We buy in bulk and sell---- -- credit.

(a) at, (b) on, (C) to, (d) from.

6- A client is in reception to see you. Shall I call him -- ---!

(a) in, (b) as, (c) on, (d) off.

7- The computer can only do what it is

(a) tell, (b)told, (c) telling (d) tells.

8- ----- did you talk to on the phone? Your boss?

(a) who, (b) whom, (c)whose (d) which.

9-They have been learning English---- years, still they haven't mastered it well.

(a) since, (b) ago, (c) as, (d) for.

10-This English grammar exercise can be - -- by me.

(a) do (b) does (c) doing (d) done

11-Don't cheat at exams,.....?

(a) Do you, (b) cheat you, (c) will you, (d) isn't you.

12-The director is used to- -- his coffee break at 4pm.

(a) have, (b) having, (c) has, (d) had.

13- Many tourists like travelling ----- plane, the quickest means of transport.

(a) by, (b) on, (c) in, (d) with.

14- I am very lonely because I have -- friends

(a) little, (b) small, (c) a few (d) few.

15-It's high time we -----

(a) go, (b) gone, (c) had gone, (d) went.

16- How long --- --- in this school?

(a) have you been, (b) was you, (C) has you been (d) had you been.

IV- ESSAY

If you were a shopkeeper what would you do to attract many people

V-TRANSLATION

Translate the following passage into French

The telephone service is the fastest means of communication. The use of telephone has reduced the frequency of travels made by businessmen.