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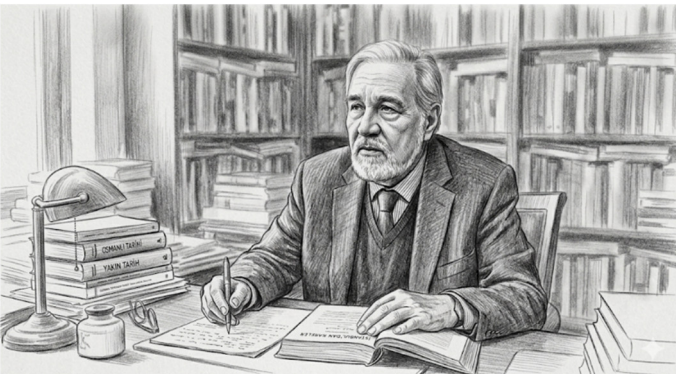
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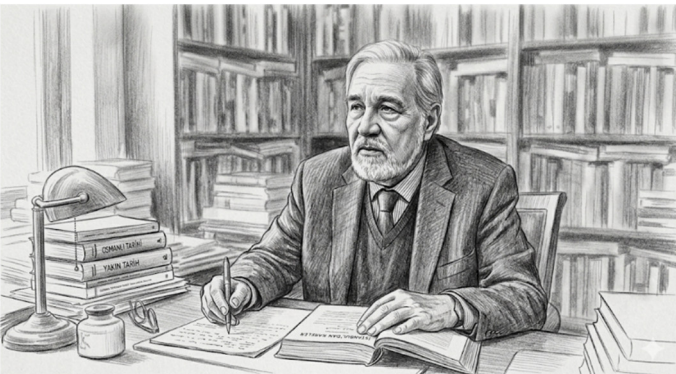
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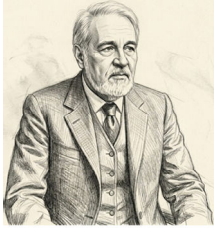
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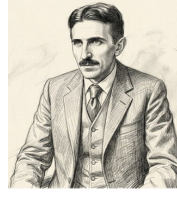
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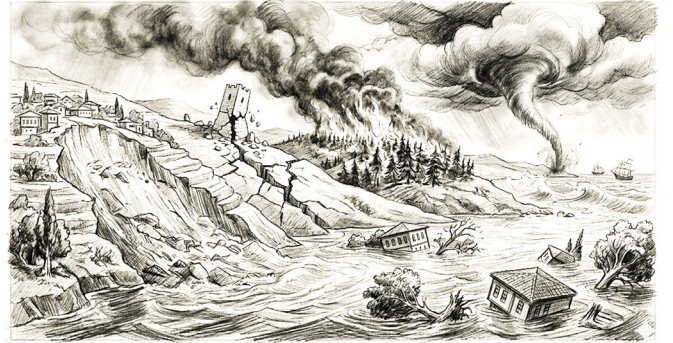
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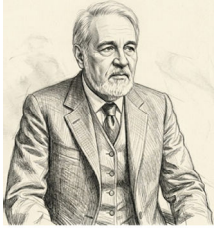
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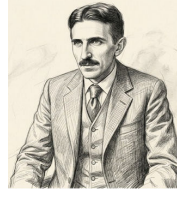
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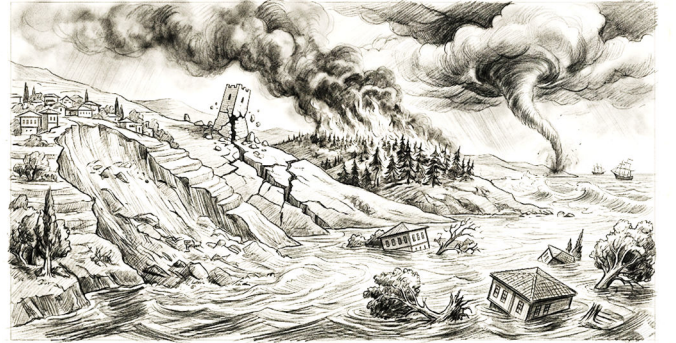
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Unit 5: The Internet

Professor İlber Ortaylı asks his teenage assistants about their daily habits on the Net. Read their answers below, and answer the question.

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Mark: I follow the latest news and search for historical articles online.

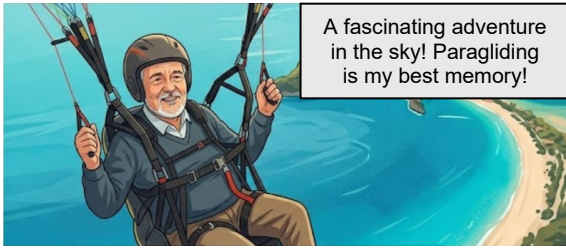
Steve: I prefer playing online strategy games to have fun with my friends.

Ann: I usually look for and buy new books from different online stores.

Which of the following is İlber Ortaylı's question?

- A) How many hours do you spend on the Net to finish your homework?
- B) For what purposes do you usually use the Internet in your free time?
- C) Which social media applications are the most popular among teens?
- D) Who do you prefer spending your time with when you go online?

6: Adventures



Professor İlber Ortaylı is paragliding in Ölüdeniz, Fethiye. He shared a new photo. Read his followers' comments below and answer the question.

Demir: I think paragliding is scary and terrifying. I prefer reading books.

Başar: This photo looks exciting and adventurous. Paragliding is my dream!

Tolga: To be honest, I am disappointed. Paragliding is boring. Your history photos are better.

Derya: This is a fantastic and exciting photo! The view is incredible!

Which of the following people have a POSITIVE opinion about the photo?

- A) Demir and Başar
- B) Başar and Tolga
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7 Unit 7: Tourism

TEST 4



Professor İlber Ortaylı is a tour guide today. He is talking about the preferences of four tourists and their holiday plans.

Tourist A: I love ancient ruins more than anything. I never go to beach resorts.

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Professor Ortaylı prepared a "Holiday Plan" for them, but his assistant, Kadir, made two mistakes.

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İlber Ortaylı talks to a journalist about natural forces.

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Ortaylı: Without doubt, floods are more harmful than any other disaster in recent years.

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Which course should Selin choose?

- A) Course A, because it fits her free time on weekdays and she can pay for it.
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Professor İlber Ortaylı asks his teenage assistants about their daily habits on the Net. Read their answers below, and answer the question.

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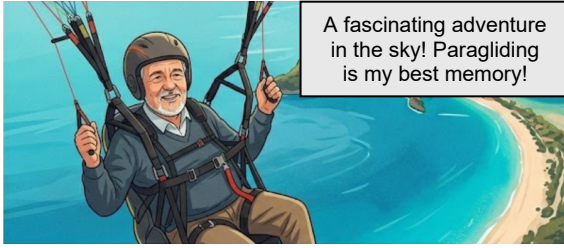
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Ann: I usually look for and buy new books from different online stores.

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- A) How many hours do you spend on the Net to finish your homework?
B) For what purposes do you usually use the Internet in your free time?
C) Which social media applications are the most popular among teens?
D) Who do you prefer spending your time with when you go online?

6: Adventures



Professor İlber Ortaylı is paragliding in Ölüdeniz, Fethiye. He shared a new photo. Read his followers' comments below and answer the question.

Demir: I think paragliding is scary and terrifying. I prefer reading books.

Başar: This photo looks exciting and adventurous. Paragliding is my dream!

Tolga: To be honest, I am disappointed. Paragliding is boring. Your history photos are better.

Derya: This is a fantastic and exciting photo! The view is incredible!

Which of the following people have a POSITIVE opinion about the photo?

- A) Demir and Başar
B) Başar and Tolga
C) Tolga and Derya
D) Başar and Derya

7 Unit 7: Tourism

TEST 4



Professor İlber Ortaylı is a tour guide today. He is talking about the preferences of four tourists and their holiday plans.

Tourist A: I love ancient ruins more than anything. I never go to beach resorts.

Tourist B: I prefer adventure sports and nature. I always avoid big cities.

Tourist C: I want to relax on the beach. Museums are less interesting than sunshine.

Tourist D: I am most interested in local food and traditional markets.

Professor Ortaylı prepared a "Holiday Plan" for them, but his assistant, Kadir, made two mistakes.

Tourist	Destination	Activity
A	Ephesus	Visiting the Temple of Artemis
B	Gaziantep	Trying traditional local dishes
C	Bodrum	Sunbathing and swimming
D	Kaçkar Mountains	Trekking and climbing

According to the information above, which two tourists should CHANGE their destinations to find the correct place?

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Professor İlber Ortaylı wants to do a one-hour cleaning activity with his assistants. The cleaning starts at 04:00 pm and finishes at 05:00 pm. Here is the programme of his assistants for that afternoon:

Hafize: She is in charge of doing the grocery shopping between 02:00 pm and 03:30 pm.

Mutlu: He is responsible for taking the letters to the post office at 01:00 pm. It takes only 30 minutes.

Erkan: He has a dentist appointment at 04:00 pm and it lasts for one hour.

Zeynep: She has no duties in the afternoon, but she must leave home at 06:00 pm for a concert.

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Unit 9: Science

Read what İlber Ortaylı says about a young scientist.



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C) Fionn received many prizes because he worked for a famous company.
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10 Unit 10: Natural Forces

TEST 4

İlber Ortaylı talks to a journalist about natural forces.

Journalist: Professor, which natural disaster causes the most damage in Türkiye today?

Ortaylı: Without doubt, floods are more harmful than any other disaster in recent years.

Journalist: ----

Ortaylı: Because heavy rain combines with deforestation. Trees cannot take in enough water, so floods are worse than in the past.

Which of the following best completes the conversation?

- A) **Why are floods worse now than before?**
B) Do people study floods less than other disasters?
C) Are floods always less dangerous than earthquakes?
D) So storms happen more often than floods in Türkiye, right?

BONUS Unit 5: The Internet

Professor İlber Ortaylı has two different social media accounts. Here is the data for his accounts:

Features	Account A (History)	Account B (Travel)
Followers	12,400	8,200
Total Posts	850	420
Total Likes	98,000	115,000

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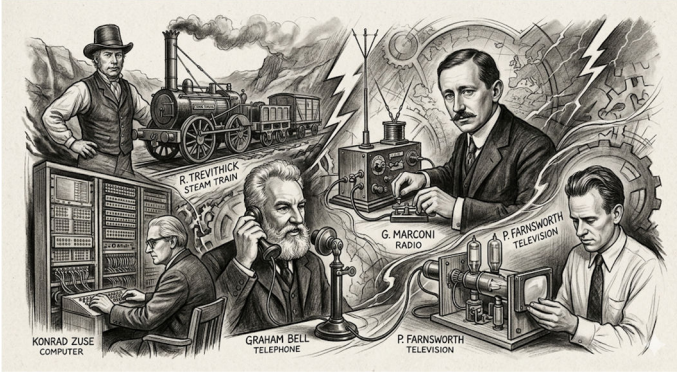
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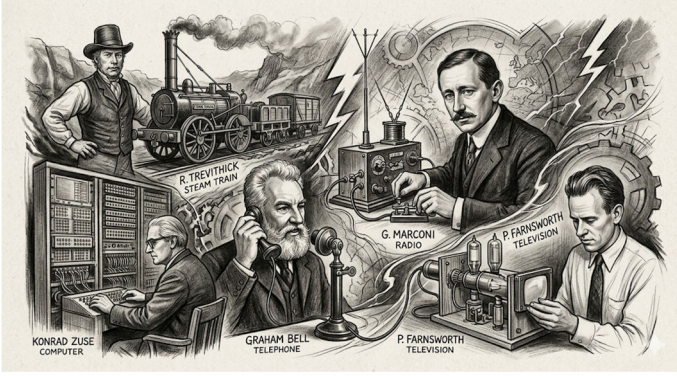
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İlber Ortaylı is organizing a garden party!

Look at the invitation card below and answer the question.

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR GARDEN PARTY!

Date: Sunday, June 14th

Time: 6 pm to 9 pm

Location: İlber's Riverside Café

PS: Please inform us until June 10th.

According to the invitation card, there is **NO** information about the -----.

- A) closing time of the event
- B) exact date and the location
- C) the sender of the invitation
- D) type of food and beverages

Unit 2: Teen Life

İlber Ortaylı is talking about his students.

Read the information in the table and answer the question.

TEENAGERS	FREE TIME ACTIVITIES	OPINIONS
Arthur	Going to heavy metal concerts	It is terrific! I love the energy.
Lily	Reading biographical books	I think they are realistic and helpful.
Tom	Playing online games	It is my favourite activity after school.
Sarah	Watching pop concerts	I can't stand them. They are ridiculous.

According to the table above, which of the following is **CORRECT**?

- A) Arthur finds heavy metal music unbearable and boring.
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- C) Tom would rather stay at home and watch a pop concert.
- D) Sarah is very keen on going to concerts with her friends.

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İlber Ortaylı and his friends are at a restaurant. Here are their food preferences:

İlber: I am fond of savoury dishes with meat. I don't like vegetables.

Cemil: I am crazy about sweet things, so I want to eat something with lots of sugar.

Meral: I prefer healthy food, especially green salads or steamed vegetables.

Selin: I usually eat something spicy or sour, but I never eat red meat.

According to the information above, who can order “Grilled Steak” as a main course?

- A) Selin, because she likes trying different and spicy traditional dishes.
- B) Cemil, because he prefers eating heavy meals before having a dessert.
- C) Meral, because she thinks grilled food is always healthier than fried.
- D) İlber, because he likes salty dishes with meat and dislikes vegetables.

Unit 4: On the Phone

Read the conversation and answer the question.

Receptionist: British Education Centre, how can I help you?

İlber Ortaylı: Hello, this is İlber Ortaylı. I want to book a seat for the history seminar on Saturday.

Receptionist: I'm sorry, I can't hear you well. It is a bad line. ----?

İlber Ortaylı: I say I want to join you at the history seminar this Saturday.

Receptionist: Oh, I see. Could you please spell your surname for me?

İlber Ortaylı: Sure. It is O-R-T-A-Y-L-I.

Which of the following does **NOT** fill in any of the blanks in the conversation?

- A) Could you please repeat that more slowly
- B) Can you say that again, please
- C) Do you mean you want to attend the event
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İlber Ortaylı gives some advice to his students about using the Internet safely. Read his rules below.

- Do not share your personal information like your home address or phone number.
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Date: Sunday, June 14th

Time: 6 pm to 9 pm

Location: İlber's Riverside Café

PS: Please inform us until June 10th.

According to the invitation card, there is **NO** information about the -----.

- A) closing time of the event
- B) exact date and the location
- C) the sender of the invitation
- D) **type of food and beverages**

Unit 2: Teen Life

İlber Ortaylı is talking about his students.

Read the information in the table and answer the question.

TEENAGERS	FREE TIME ACTIVITIES	OPINIONS
Arthur	Going to heavy metal concerts	It is terrific! I love the energy.
Lily	Reading biographical books	I think they are realistic and helpful.
Tom	Playing online games	It is my favourite activity after school.
Sarah	Watching pop concerts	I can't stand them. They are ridiculous.

According to the table above, which of the following is **CORRECT**?

- A) Arthur finds heavy metal music unbearable and boring.
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İlber Ortaylı and his friends are at a restaurant. Here are their food preferences:

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Read the conversation and answer the question.

Receptionist: British Education Centre, how can I help you?

İlber Ortaylı: Hello, this is İlber Ortaylı. I want to book a seat for the history seminar on Saturday.

Receptionist: I'm sorry, I can't hear you well. It is a bad line. ----?

İlber Ortaylı: I say I want to join you at the history seminar this Saturday.

Receptionist: Oh, I see. Could you please spell your surname for me?

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Which of the following does **NOT** fill in any of the blanks in the conversation?

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Watching Movies	15
Reading Books	10

According to the table above, which of the following is CORRECT?

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İlber Ortaylı is sharing his favourite soup recipe with his students. Read the steps below and answer the question.

To make a delicious lentil soup, first, peel and chop a carrot and an onion. Second, rinse the lentils under cold water. Next, put all the vegetables and lentils into a large pot. Then, add some hot water and cook them until they are soft. Finally, blend the mixture until it is smooth and add a pinch of salt for a better flavour.

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- A) You should add the salt before you put the vegetables into the large pot.
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Unit 4: On the Phone

Read the phone conversation and look at the memo below.

Secretary: Good morning, History Department. How can I help you?

İlber Ortaylı: Hello, this is İlber Ortaylı. I want to speak to Mr. Sayılan.

Secretary: I'm afraid he is out of the office now.

İlber Ortaylı: Oh, I see. Please tell him that I change the time of our meeting on Friday. We will meet at 4 pm at the library.

Secretary: Of course, Professor. I'm writing it down now.

WHILE MR. SAYILAN IS AWAY

- **Caller:** İlber Ortaylı
- **Message:** He wants to change the meeting ----.
- **New Plan:** They will meet at the library on Friday.
- **Time:** ----.

According to the conversation, which of the following completes the memo correctly?

- A) date / in the morning
- B) details / in the afternoon
- C) place / at the weekend
- D) person / at noon

Unit 5: The Internet

İlber Ortaylı reads a survey about the Internet habits of 200 teenagers. Here are the results:

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- 60 students feel unhappy because of social media.
- 40 students study better after they limit their screen time.
- Only 20 students never use the Net for their school assignments.
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Unit 6: Adventures

A journalist interviews İlber Ortaylı about his favourite adventure: paragliding.

Journalist: What is your favourite adventure sport, Professor?

Ortaylı: Paragliding, without doubt.

Journalist: ----?

Ortaylı: Twice a month.

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Ortaylı: To me, it is more fascinating and less boring than other sports.

Journalist: ----?

Ortaylı: A helmet and a parachute. They are necessary for your safety.

Which of the following does NOT complete the interview above?

- A) How often do you take part in this activity
- B) Why do you prefer paragliding to other sports
- C) What do you need to perform this sport
- D) Where do you usually try paragliding

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İlber Ortaylı's travel school asks students to prepare an invitation card for a trip. The card must include the following information:

- The type of the event
- The exact time and date
- The location

Which of the following cards includes ALL the information above?

A) Dear friends, Why don't you join our school trip on Sunday afternoon? We can pick you up from the school garden.	B) Dear friends, We have tickets for a guided boat tour on the Bosphorus. It starts at Eminönü Pier this weekend.
C) Dear friends, I am organising a city walk at 10:00 on Saturday. Please bring your comfortable shoes with you.	D) Dear friends, Join our historical walking tour. It starts at Sultanahmet Square at 09:00 on Sunday, May 24 th .

Unit 8: Chores

İlber Ortaylı helps a family to share the weekend chores fairly. Read the notes about the family members.

FAMILY MEMBER	PERSONAL TRAITS & PREFERENCES
Father	I am stronger than everyone. I don't mind heavy work.
Mother	I am the best cook in the family. I love being in the kitchen.
Mert	I am good at tidying things, but I need more time to finish it.
Azra	I enjoy being outside more than staying indoors.

According to the notes, which of the following is the MOST suitable assignment for everyone?

- A) Father: cook dinner | Mother: clean bathroom | Mert: mop floors | Azra: tidy rooms
- B) Father: move heavy furniture | Mother: cook dinner | Mert: tidy rooms | Azra: water the garden
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Unit 9: Science

İlber Ortaylı is talking about Isaac Newton. Read the information below about the famous scientist and answer the question.

Isaac Newton was a great physicist and mathematician. He lived in the 17th century. One day, an apple fell from a tree. This event helped him understand the laws of gravity. He also studied the structure of light and developed a unique type of telescope. Many people believe his book about physics is the most important scientific work in history.

According to the text above, which of the following is NOT correct?

- A) Newton invented the telephone before he studied the laws of gravity.
- B) The falling apple gave Newton a brilliant idea about a natural force.
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- D) Isaac Newton worked on more than one scientific field during his life.

Unit 10: Natural Forces

Read the dialogue between İlber Ortaylı and a student.

Student: Professor, what can we do to reduce the risks of an earthquake?

İlber Ortaylı: Well, we must build strong houses first.

Student: What about our homes? How can we stay safe inside?

İlber Ortaylı: You should fix the heavy furniture to the walls. It is very important.

Student: Do we need to prepare anything before a disaster?

İlber Ortaylı: Yes, you must have an emergency bag with some food and water.

According to the conversation, which of the following is CORRECT?

- A) Preparing an emergency bag is a necessary step before a quake.
- B) People should keep their heavy furniture away from the walls.
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ALEXANDER FLEMING	CANAN DAĞDEVİREN
He discovered penicillin in 1928. It is a type of medicine. This discovery saved millions of lives from infections.	She developed a "wearable pacemaker" in 2014. It gets energy from the heart's motion. It helps people with heart problems.

wearable pacemaker: kalp pili

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- A) Alexander Fleming developed a machine for heart patients.
- B) Canan Dağdeviren's invention uses the movement of an organ for energy.
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- D) They discovered their inventions before they finished their education.

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A student asks İlber Ortaylı three questions about the famous scientist, Dr. Özlem Türeci.

Student: What is Dr. Özlem Türeci's main field of study in science?

Ortaylı: ----.

Student: What is her most important achievement for the world?

Ortaylı: ----.

Student: How does she do her research?

Ortaylı: ----.

Which of the following CANNOT be one of İlber Ortaylı's answers?

- A) She usually goes to the gym and does exercise to keep fit
- B) She develops a vaccine against the pandemic with her team
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C) Selin refuses the offer, but she doesn't give a specific excuse.
D) All of İlber's friends are making an excuse for not attending.

Unit 2: Teen Life

İlber Ortaylı conducts a survey about the free time activities of 100 teenagers. Here are the results:

FREE TIME ACTIVITIES	NUMBER OF TEENAGERS
Doing Sports	45
Meeting Friends	30
Watching Movies	15
Reading Books	10

According to the table above, which of the following is CORRECT?

- A) Doing sports is less popular than meeting friends among teenagers.
B) Most of the teenagers find reading books more exciting than movies.
C) Nearly half of the teens prefer being active and doing exercises.
D) Watching movies is the most favourite activity for the students.

Unit 3: In the Kitchen

İlber Ortaylı is sharing his favourite soup recipe with his students. Read the steps below and answer the question.

To make a delicious lentil soup, first, peel and chop a carrot and an onion. Second, rinse the lentils under cold water. Next, put all the vegetables and lentils into a large pot. Then, add some hot water and cook them until they are soft. Finally, blend the mixture until it is smooth and add a pinch of salt for a better flavour.

Which of the following is CORRECT according to the recipe above?

- A) You should add the salt before you put the vegetables into the large pot.
B) Rinsing the lentils is the step after putting the vegetables into the pot.
C) You need to use a kitchen tool to make the soup smooth in the last step.
D) Peeling the vegetables is a necessary process after you boil the lentils.

Unit 4: On the Phone

Read the phone conversation and look at the memo below.

Secretary: Good morning, History Department. How can I help you?

İlber Ortaylı: Hello, this is İlber Ortaylı. I want to speak to Mr. Sayılan.

Secretary: I'm afraid he is out of the office now.

İlber Ortaylı: Oh, I see. Please tell him that I change the time of our meeting on Friday. We will meet at 4 pm at the library.

Secretary: Of course, Professor. I'm writing it down now.

WHILE MR. SAYILAN IS AWAY

- **Caller:** İlber Ortaylı
- **Message:** He wants to change the meeting ----.
- **New Plan:** They will meet at the library on Friday.
- **Time:** ----.

According to the conversation, which of the following completes the memo correctly?

- A) date / in the morning
B) details / in the afternoon
C) place / at the weekend
D) person / at noon

Unit 5: The Internet

İlber Ortaylı reads a survey about the Internet habits of 200 teenagers. Here are the results:

- 120 students use their smartphones for more than four hours a day.
- 60 students feel unhappy because of social media.
- 40 students study better after they limit their screen time.
- Only 20 students never use the Net for their school assignments.
- Book readers spend fewer hours on social media than other students.

According to the survey above, which of the following is CORRECT?

- A) The majority of the students use their phones for less than four hours.
- B) More students feel unhappy than those study better by limiting screens.
- C) All of the students use the Internet for their school assignments.
- D) Non-readers spend less time on social media than book readers.

Unit 6: Adventures

A journalist interviews İlber Ortaylı about his favourite adventure: paragliding.

Journalist: What is your favourite adventure sport, Professor?

Ortaylı: Paragliding, without doubt.

Journalist: ----?

Ortaylı: Twice a month.

Journalist: ----?

Ortaylı: To me, it is more fascinating and less boring than other sports.

Journalist: ----?

Ortaylı: A helmet and a parachute. They are necessary for your safety.

Which of the following does NOT complete the interview above?

- A) How often do you take part in this activity
- B) Why do you prefer paragliding to other sports
- C) What do you need to perform this sport
- D) Where do you usually try paragliding

7 Unit 7: Tourism

TEST 7

İlber Ortaylı's travel school asks students to prepare an invitation card for a trip. The card must include the following information:

- The type of the event
- The exact time and date
- The location

Which of the following cards includes ALL the information above?

A) Dear friends, Why don't you join our school trip on Sunday afternoon? We can pick you up from the school garden.	B) Dear friends, We have tickets for a guided boat tour on the Bosphorus. It starts at Eminönü Pier this weekend.
C) Dear friends, I am organising a city walk at 10:00 on Saturday. Please bring your comfortable shoes with you.	D) Dear friends, Join our historical walking tour. It starts at Sultanahmet Square at 09:00 on Sunday, May 24 th .

Unit 8: Chores

İlber Ortaylı helps a family to share the weekend chores fairly. Read the notes about the family members.

FAMILY MEMBER	PERSONAL TRAITS & PREFERENCES
Father	I am stronger than everyone. I don't mind heavy work.
Mother	I am the best cook in the family. I love being in the kitchen.
Mert	I am good at tidying things, but I need more time to finish it.
Azra	I enjoy being outside more than staying indoors.

According to the notes, which of the following is the MOST suitable assignment for everyone?

- A) Father: cook dinner | Mother: clean bathroom | Mert: mop floors | Azra: tidy rooms
- B) Father: move heavy furniture | Mother: cook dinner | Mert: tidy rooms | Azra: water the garden
- C) Father: cook dinner | Mother: water the garden | Mert: tidy rooms | Azra: mop the floors
- D) Father: tidy rooms | Mother: cook dinner | Mert: clean the bathroom | Azra: water the garden

Unit 9: Science

İlber Ortaylı is talking about Isaac Newton. Read the information below about the famous scientist and answer the question.

Isaac Newton was a great physicist and mathematician. He lived in the 17th century. One day, an apple fell from a tree. This event helped him understand the laws of gravity. He also studied the structure of light and developed a unique type of telescope. Many people believe his book about physics is the most important scientific work in history.

According to the text above, which of the following is NOT correct?

- A) Newton invented the telephone before he studied the laws of gravity.
- B) The falling apple gave Newton a brilliant idea about a natural force.
- C) He used his knowledge to invent a new tool for observing the sky.
- D) Isaac Newton worked on more than one scientific field during his life.

Unit 10: Natural Forces

Read the dialogue between İlber Ortaylı and a student.

Student: Professor, what can we do to reduce the risks of an earthquake?

İlber Ortaylı: Well, we must build strong houses first.

Student: What about our homes? How can we stay safe inside?

İlber Ortaylı: You should fix the heavy furniture to the walls. It is very important.

Student: Do we need to prepare anything before a disaster?

İlber Ortaylı: Yes, you must have an emergency bag with some food and water.

According to the conversation, which of the following is CORRECT?

- A) Preparing an emergency bag is a necessary step before a quake.
- B) People should keep their heavy furniture away from the walls.
- C) Building strong houses is not a good way to stay safe.
- D) It is impossible to stay safe inside a building during a disaster.

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BONUS QUESTIONS

TEST 7

Unit 9: Science

İlber Ortaylı is giving some information about two great scientists. Read the information below and answer the question.

ALEXANDER FLEMING	CANAN DAĞDEVİREN
He discovered penicillin in 1928. It is a type of medicine. This discovery saved millions of lives from infections.	She developed a "wearable pacemaker" in 2014. It gets energy from the heart's motion. It helps people with heart problems.

wearable pacemaker: kalp pili

According to the table above, which of the following is CORRECT?

- A) Alexander Fleming developed a machine for heart patients.
- B) Canan Dağdeviren's invention uses the movement of an organ for energy.
- C) Both scientists worked on the same scientific field in 1928.
- D) They discovered their inventions before they finished their education.

Unit 9: Science

A student asks İlber Ortaylı three questions about the famous scientist, Dr. Özlem Türeci.

Student: What is Dr. Özlem Türeci's main field of study in science?

Ortaylı: ----.

Student: What is her most important achievement for the world?

Ortaylı: ----.

Student: How does she do her research?

Ortaylı: ----.

Which of the following CANNOT be one of İlber Ortaylı's answers?

- A) She usually goes to the gym and does exercise to keep fit
- B) She develops a vaccine against the pandemic with her team
- C) She conducts experiments and works in her laboratory for many hours
- D) She mainly studies biology, genetics and medical science

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