

<i>900 exercises in vocational communication</i>	<b>Notes for teachers</b>	<b>B1 / 31</b>
<i>General aim</i>	<b>B: Find out – Collect information</b>	
<i>Level of difficulty</i>	<b>1</b>	
<i>Intermediate aim</i>	<b>3: Process information</b>	
<i>Operational aim</i>	<p><b>1: Notice the discrepancies between the questions asked and the answers given</b>  <b>Secondary aims:</b>  <b>10: Find the answer that corresponds to a question</b>  <b>20: In a series of questions, find the one which was not answered</b>  <b>30: In an answer to a question, find the elements which bear no relation to this question</b>  <b>40: Look at a drawing or diagram, and see the discrepancy between the questions asked, the answers given in the sentences, and the answers given in the diagram</b>  <b>50: Look at a series of six “questions and answers”, and find all the discrepancies</b></p>	
<i>Pre-requirements</i>	<p>Ability to read simple sentences  Ability to write simple sentences</p>	
<i>Number of exercises</i>	<b>13</b>	
<i>Summing-up exercise</i>	<b>B1/31-5.3</b>	
<i>Comments</i>	<p>In exercise B1/31-1.2 to B1/31-1.4, the answer should take into account both the meaning and the construction of the question.  The example in B1/31-5.1 gives a short biography of Albert Einstein. It might be thought that the subject is too difficult for a level 1. However, the authors’ experience has shown that the learners are particularly motivated by subjects which, a priori, are generally considered as beyond their ability.</p>	

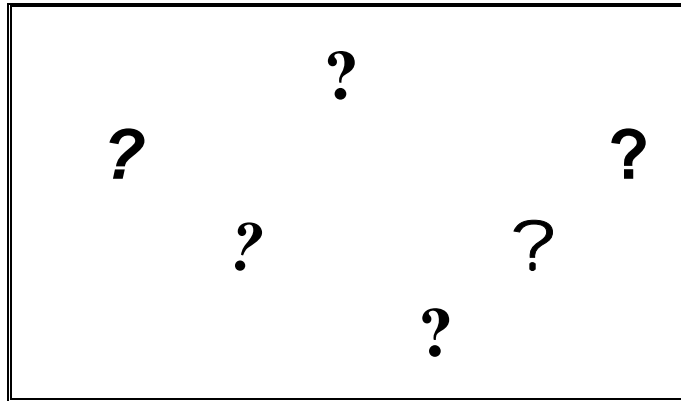
**WHAT IS THE RIGHT ANSWER?**

**For each question, I'm going to tick the right answer.**

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|------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. What is the weather like?       | It's raining.          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|                                    | It's 5 o'clock.        | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 2. Do you have change for 10 €?    | Yes, I have 10 €       | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
|                                    | Yes, I have change.    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Is this man young?              | Yes, he is 22.         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|                                    | No, he's in Paris.     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| 4. When will she come?             | In the South.          | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
|                                    | In about 10 minutes.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. How many children do they have? | Two, a boy and a girl. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
|                                    | Three and a half.      | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

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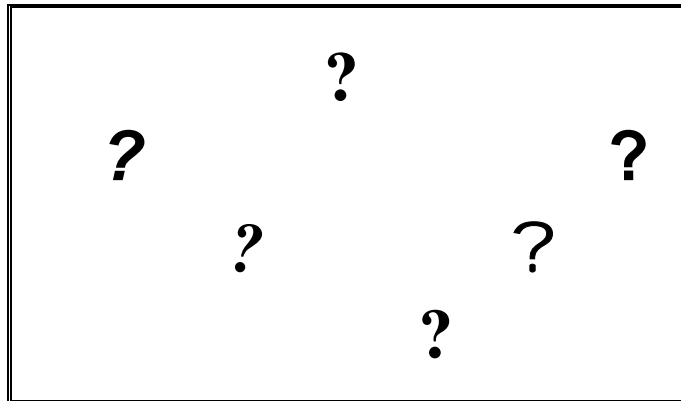


For each question, tick the right answer.

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. How long have you lived here? | As soon as it's fine. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                  | For ten years.        | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Where has he gone?            | To the post office    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                  | By car.               | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. When did they leave?          | By train.             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                  | About 5 o'clock.      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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|                                  | By next Tuesday.      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Who are you phoning?          | My flat.              | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                  | My father.            | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Look at the answers for B1 / 31-1.2

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|                                   | Yes, I have.               | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Do they have any pets?         | Yes, they've got a dog.    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                   | No, it wasn't their day.   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Where was he yesterday?        | To a friend's house.       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                   | At his sister's.           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Where is she coming from?      | In front of the chemist's. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                   | From the station.          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Do you like coffee?            | Yes, I've already eaten.   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                   | No, I never drink it.      | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Look at the answers for B1 / 31-1.3

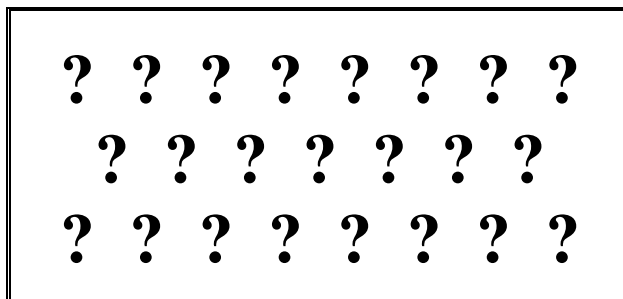
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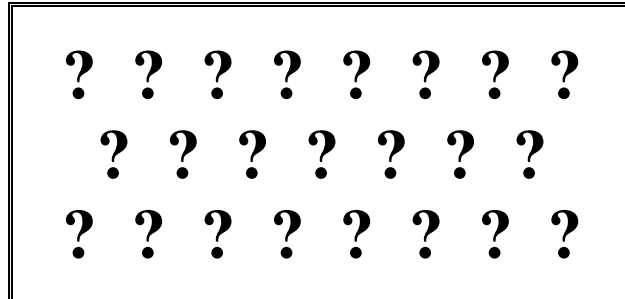


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|---------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Have you got any string?     | Yes, I have one pair.   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                 | No, I haven't.          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                 | No, I haven't seen her. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Where did you park your car? | In my pocket.           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                 | In the car park.        | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                 | On the table.           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. How long did she take?       | In five minutes.        | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                 | For two hours.          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                 | Nearly half an hour.    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Where does he want to go?    | To Birmingham.          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                 | From Paris.             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                 | In twenty kilometres.   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Who did you go there for?    | For about an hour.      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                 | For the Isle of Man.    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                                 | For my cousin.          | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Look at the answers for B1 / 31-1.4

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For each question, tick the right answer.

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|---------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
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**Write how many different questions there are.**

Number of questions:

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**Are there as many answers as questions?**

YES

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Look at the answers for B1 / 31-2.1

Here are several questions:

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Write how many different questions there are.

Number of questions: 3

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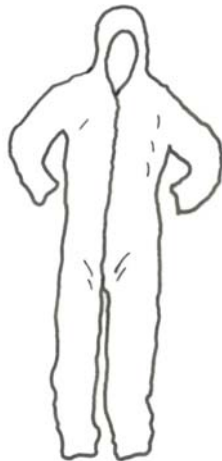
Number of answers: 2

Are there as many answers as questions?

YES   
NO

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**They protect against splashes of paint and other liquids.**

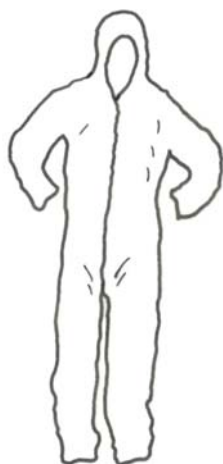
**They are ideal for:**

- **painters**
- **plumbers**
- **mechanics.**

Tick the question which is not answered in the text.

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2. Are they sturdy?
3. Do they protect against splashes?
4. Are they ideal for mechanics?
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Look at the answers for B1 / 31-2.2



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**Here is a question:**

**Do you know what day and time the match will be?**

**And here is the answer:**

***The match is on Saturday, at 8pm, on the city football pitch.***

**In the question, the following information was requested:**

- 1. the day of the match*
- 2. the time of the match*

**And the answer gave the following information:**

- 1. the day of the match*
- 2. the time of the match*
- 3. the place where the match would be*

***In the question, they did not ask where the match would be.***

**PLEASE GO TO THE NEXT PAGE**

*Here is a series of questions with their answers.  
In each answer, one additional piece of information is given.  
Underline the information that is not asked for.*

**Q1. What colour eyes does Nicole have?  
What colour hair does she have?**

A1. She is 1 metre 70 cm. Her eyes are blue and her hair is black.

**Q2. What is the height and width of the wardrobe?**

A2. The wardrobe is 1.80 metres high.  
It is 60 centimetres deep.  
Its width is 1.20 metres.

**Q3. To make this cake, how much do you need of the following:**

- butter
- sugar
- flour
- baking powder
- eggs

A3. To make this cake you need:

- 3 egg yolks
- 80 g of sugar
- 50 g of chocolate
- 60 g of butter
- 40 g of flour
- 1 sachet of baking powder

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A4. Dial 00 then 34. Then dial 1  
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A1. I would like a second-class ticket without a couchette. I would like a single ticket in a non-smoking car.

*Q2. When and how should I take this medicine?*

A2. This medicine is given on prescription only. It is to be taken only in case of aches and pains. Dissolve one sachet in half a glass of water.

*Q3. What size are these tiles and how much do they cost? When can they be delivered?*

A3. These tiles measure 30 cm by 30 cm. They are made of glazed sandstone. They cost 63 € a square metre. They can be delivered 48 hours after ordering.

*Q4. What are the opening hours of the theme park? How much does it cost to get in?  
Is it easy to park nearby?*

A4. The park is open from 10am to 7pm. You can leave your car in the car park in front of the entrance. Sandwiches and drinks are sold in the park. The rates for the day are 10 € Children are half-price.

Look at the answers for B1 / 31-3.3

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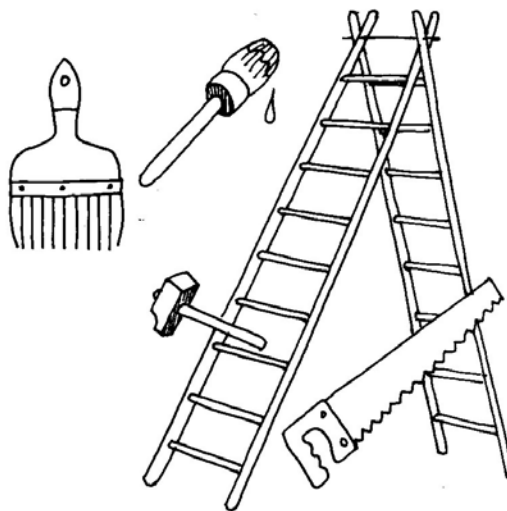


**Let's look at this picture. Then let's read the questions and the answers.  
Some questions are unnecessary: the picture already gives the answer.**

1. Is this person a young girl?  
Yes, she's a young girl.
2. Is this young girl blond?  
Yes, she is blond.
3. Is she wearing a hat?  
Yes, she's wearing a hat with a flower on it.
4. What is her name?  
Her name is Nadine.
5. How old is she?  
She is 19.
5. What does she do?  
She's a florist.

The first 3 questions are unnecessary. The answer is given in the picture.

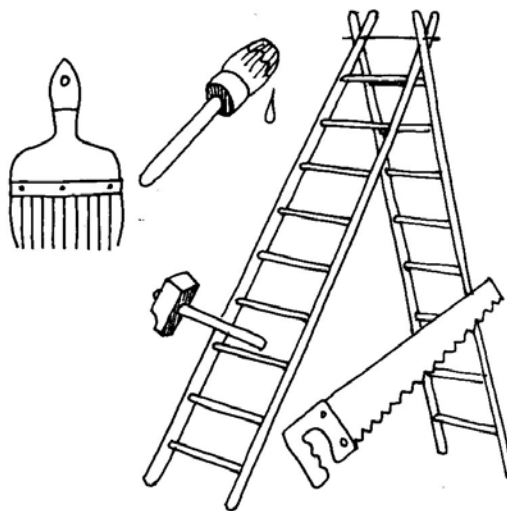
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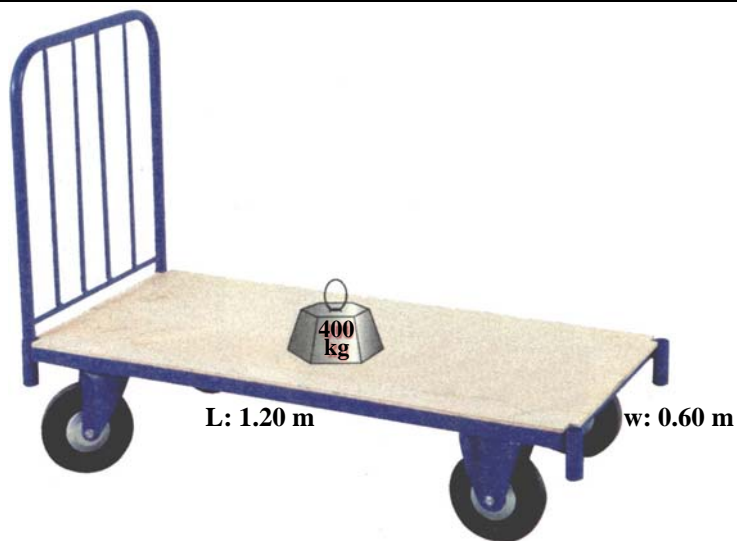
1. Does the picture show working tools?
2. Are there five tools in the picture?
3. Are some ladders convertible?
4. What type of metal is used for the blades of saws?
5. Is there a hammer in the picture?

Look at the answers for B1 / 31-4.2



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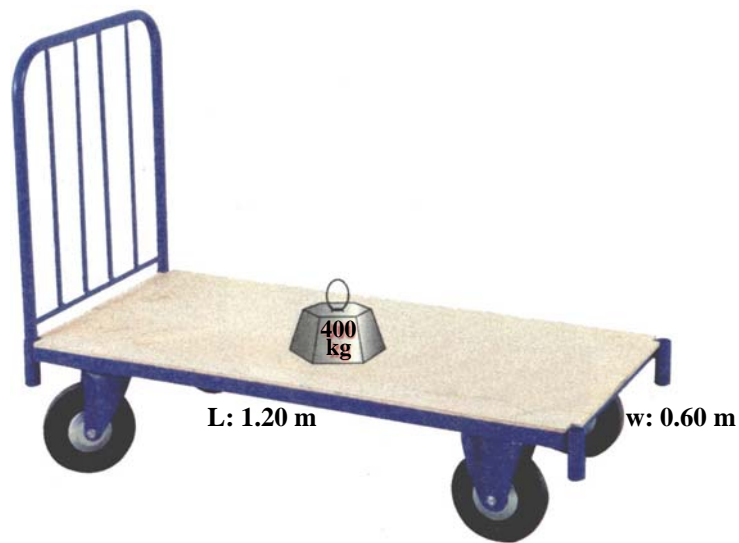
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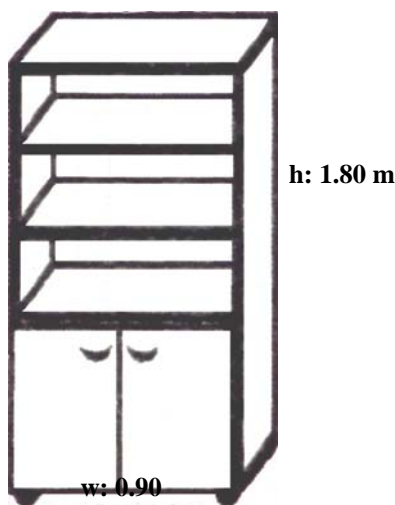
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4. Can the handle be removed?
5. Does the trolley have four wheels?

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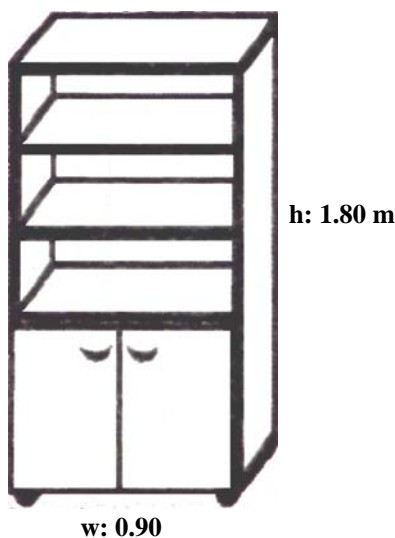
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1. How many doors do the shelves have?   
There are two doors at the bottom.
2. How deep are they?   
They are 0.40 m deep.
3. What are the width and height?   
Width: 0.90 m; height 1.80 m.
4. Do the shelves come fully assembled?   
No, you pay extra for assembly.
5. What are they made of?   
They are made of chipboard.

Look at the answers for B1 / 31-4.4



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- a series of 5 questions on the left
- a series of 9 answers on the right

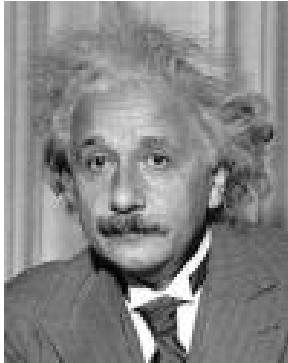
**But...**

1. The answers are not always opposite the questions.
2. There are answers that were not asked for.

**I am going to note down the numbers of the answers that were not asked for.**

THE EXAMPLE CONTINUES ON THE NEXT PAGE

**QUESTIONS**



Q1. Where and when was Albert Einstein born?

Q2. Was he a good pupil?

Q3. What did he prove in 1905?

Q4. Did he teach at the École Polytechnique?

Q5. Did Einstein regret the use of his discovery?

**ANSWERS**

A1. Albert Einstein was born in 1879 in Germany.

A2. At school, his teachers found him slow and very average...

A3. He refused to do his military service.

A4. In 1900, he obtained his degree at the École Polytechnique.

A5. At the age of 23, Einstein was unemployed for a time.

A6. At 24, he got a job in Switzerland. After work, he would think about physics.

A7. In 1905, he proved his famous formula:  $E=mc^2$ .

A8. In 1912, he became a professor at the École Polytechnique (in Zurich, Switzerland). Three years later, he completed his “theory of relativity.

A9. Einstein was a pacifist. He deeply regretted the use of his discovery. It was used to develop the atomic bomb.

Numbers of the answers not required:

A4 – A5 – A6

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On the following page, you will find:

- a series of 4 questions on the left
- a series of 6 answers on the right

**But...**

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**THE EXERCISE CONTINUES ON THE NEXT PAGE**



## QUESTIONS

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## ANSWERS

- A1. Walt Disney created:
- Snow White and the Seven Dwarves (1937)
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  - Lady and the Tramp (1959)
  - The 101 Dalmatians (1961)
  - The Sword in the Stone (1963)
- and a lot of other films!
- A2. Walt Disney was an illustrator, a film maker and a producer.
- A3. He was born in Chicago in 1901.
- A4. He died in 1966.
- A5. The first famous character created by Disney was Mickey Mouse.
- A6. Disneyland is the biggest theme park in the world.

Numbers of the answers that were not asked for:

Look at the answers for B1 / 31-5.2



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Numbers of the answers that were not asked for: A2 and A6

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- a series of 7 answers on the right

**But...**

1. The answers are not opposite the questions.
2. There are some questions without answers.
3. There are some answers that were not asked for.

**You are going to write down the numbers:**

- of the questions without answers
- of the answers that were not asked for

**THE EXERCISE CONTINUES ON THE NEXT PAGE**



## QUESTIONS

## ANSWERS

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