

SCENE 21 • NUMBER 7

Nouă fără cincă

Monday, your first day. At five to nine exactly, a neat man in a blue shirt waits at the office door: the man from the café. "I am Mihai. You are late."

ANSWER KEY

LISTENING & UNDERSTANDING

L1) WHO SAYS IT: 1b, 2a

L2) WHAT DOES IT MEAN: 1a, 2c

L3) HOW DO YOU SAY IT: 1b, 2c

L4) PUT THE WORDS IN ORDER: B, e, c, k, e, r, Da, scuze. Este de la Motan.

L5) WHAT HAPPENS FIRST: 1: 12453

Words: Nouă fără cincă

VOCABULARY & WRITING

W1) WHAT DOES IT MEAN?: 1c, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5c, 6a

W2) COMPLETE THE CONVERSATION: 1: Bună, 1: nouă, 1: începe, 1: nouă, 1: din

W3) GOOD MORNING, MIHAI! IT'S TEN TO NINE. I'M NOT LATE!: 1: nouă, 2: Bine, 3: foarte, 4: acum

W4) COMPLETE THE CONVERSATION: 1: Bună, 1: nouă, 1: începe, 1: nouă, 1: din

Grammar: la nouă fără cinci

GRAMMAR

G1) NOTICE THE USEFUL PATTERN: 1) la, 2) și, 3) fără, 4) sfert

G2) CHOOSE THE FORM: 1a, 2a, 3c, 4a, 5c, 6a

G3) COMPLETE THE MESSAGES: 1: fără, 1: sfert, 1: până la, 1: unu

G4) BUILD A SENTENCE: Vin la ora nouă., Nouă și jumătate., Nouă fără cinci., Un sfert de oră., Lucrez de la nouă până la cinci., Este ora unu.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?: 1b, 2a, 3b, 4a

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS: 1a, 2f, 3d, 4b, 5c, 6e

Translation

- Good morning. I'm Mihai. You're late.
- Late? It's five to nine!
- Work starts at nine. I'm here at a quarter to nine. Every day.
- At a quarter to nine? Every day?
- Wait... I know you! You're the man from the café, at table three!
- And you're my new colleague. From number 7, the house with the cat.
- Yes, but the cat isn't mine.

A bright office with two desks side by side, one of them perfectly tidy.

- This is your desk and computer, by the window. And my desk is right next to it.
- Now your email. Spell your surname, please.
- B, e, c, k, e, r.

He writes your new email address on a yellow note and sticks it exactly in the middle of your screen.

- Good. Here's your new address.

○ Until when do we work?

■ From nine until half past five.

○ So that's eight hours.

■ Eight hours and thirty minutes.

He picks something off your jacket on the back of your chair and stares at it.

■ What's this? A grey hair... Is that a cat hair?

○ Yes, sorry. It's Motan's.

■ Right. One metre.

While he sets up your email address, he sees a grey hair on your jacket. "Is this... a cat hair?" He moves his desk one metre away. He measures it.