

NUMBER 7 • BONUS STORY

Marco e il suo sogno

A Saturday evening in Marco's little flat under the roof. His mother calls from far away, his friends come round to play, and nobody downstairs is asleep for long.

ANSWER KEY

LISTENING & UNDERSTANDING

L1) WHO SAID IT?: 1c, 2c, 3c

L2) RIGHT OR WRONG?: 1a, 2b, 3b, 4a, 5a

L3) WHAT HAPPENED FIRST?: 1: 23451

L4) UNDERSTAND THE STORY: 1b, 2a, 3a

Translation

Saturday evening, under the roof of number 7. Marco's flat is small: a bed, a table, a chair, a lot of sheet music, and the trumpet.

Evening. Marco lives upstairs. His flat is small, but nice.

On the table: the trumpet. On the bed: Milo.

■ Good evening, Milo! Are you hungry?

His phone rings. On the screen it says: Mama.

It's his mum calling. She lives far away.

- Hello? Oh, Mum! Good evening!
- Hi, Marco! How are you?
- Fine, thanks. And you?
- Not great. You live far away, and I'm here on my own.
- Are you working at the moment?
- Yes, Mum. I play. I'm a musician.
- A musician! That's not a job. You need a real job.
- Your friend Tommaso is an engineer. His mum is very happy.
- Mum, I'm happy too.
- And do you have a table? A bed? A sofa?
- I have a table and a bed. I don't have a sofa at the moment.
- You don't have a sofa? Why? Where is it?
- It's in my neighbour's bathroom.
- In the bathroom?! Oh, Marco, Marco...
- It's fine, Mum. Good night!

He puts the phone down and looks at the trumpet for a long time.

- A real job... Milo, you don't have a job either.

Milo is asleep. He's the boss here. He doesn't need a job.

A knock. Two friends come in: Dario with a double bass in a big case, and Eva with a small drum under her arm.

Somebody opens the door. It's Dario and Eva, Marco's friends.

- ▲ Hi, Marco! We're here!

- Hi! Come in! Are you hungry?

- Yes, very. But first: music!

Marco, Dario and Eva are a band. They play in the evening and at night.

- Friends, I've got a new song.

Marco plays. Dario and Eva sit on the bed and watch.

- Marco, that's a really good song!

- Shh! Not so loud. The neighbours downstairs are asleep.

- ▲ The neighbours? Who are they?

- Maria Rossi, Chiara... And the new neighbour. German, from Hamburg.

● German? Do they speak Italian?

■ A little. And an engineer, too.

▲ An engineer! Their mum must be really happy.

● Marco, and what's your dream?

■ My dream is a big band. We play every evening, and everyone is happy.

▲ And your mum? What does she say?

■ Mum says: you need a real job. But I'm happy.

● We're happy too. Let's play!

Midnight. Downstairs a light goes on, and somebody comes up the stairs in slippers.

□ Excuse me... You're playing? Now? It's midnight!

■ Oh, sorry! We've stopped playing!

And Milo sleeps on the bed. He likes the music very much.