

SCENE 48 • NUMBER 7

Alle sind beschäftigt

You want to thank everyone with a dinner on Saturday. You send messages and knock on doors. Thomas can't; he must... (a list). Greta is working. Lotte must ask her grandma, and Hilde does not even open her door.

ANSWER KEY

LISTENING & UNDERSTANDING

L1) WHO SAYS IT: 1a, 2c

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

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

L4) PUT THE WORDS IN ORDER: Frau Brandt? Sind Sie da?, Ich mache Suppe und Pfannkuchen. Und einen Kuchen.

L5) WHAT HAPPENS FIRST: 1: 34512

Words: Alle sind beschäftigt

VOCABULARY & WRITING

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

W2) USE THE WORDS IN CONTEXT: 1: lade, 1: Gast, 1: beschäftigt,
1: Zeit, 1: Besuch

W3) MY GUEST: 1: lade, 2: Gast, 3: beschäftigt, 4: esse

W4) CONNECT THE MEANINGS: 1e, 2f, 3b, 4c, 5a, 6d

Grammar: Seit drei Monaten hier

GRAMMAR

G1) NOTICE THE USEFUL FORMS: 1) wohne, seit drei Monaten, 2)
sucht, seit dem Fest, 3) lade, ein

G2) CONTINUING NOW OR FINISHED BEFORE?: 1a, 2c, 3b, 4c, 5c,
6a

G3) COMPLETE THE CONVERSATION: 1: wohne, 2: seit, 1: dem, 1:
einem, 1: lade, 2: ein, 1: denn

G4) PUT THE MESSAGE TOGETHER: Wie lange wohnst du schon
hier?, Ich wohne seit drei Monaten hier., Möchtest du am Samstag
zum Essen kommen?, Leider kann ich nicht kommen.

G5) RESPOND TO THE SITUATION: 1b, 2b

Translation

■ Dear neighbours, dinner at my place on Saturday at seven. You
are all invited!

■ I am making soup and pancakes. And a cake.

○ Sorry. I have to clean windows. Buy paper. And get one more thing done.

■ All on Saturday evening? And what is this one more thing?

▲ Unfortunately I cannot either. I have things to do. Another time?

● I have to ask Grandma first.

■ All right. Then I will ask her too.

Evening in the stairwell. Frau Brandt's door is shut, a strip of light under it, and a heap of shoes on the mat.

■ Mrs Brandt? Are you there?

■ Saturday evening, at my place. Are you coming for dinner?

■ The walls are thin, Mrs Brandt. I can hear you.

The grey tabby walks down the stairs past you, tail high, nose in the air, not looking at you.

■ You too, Mikesch? Are you busy too?

Jonas sits down on a step, elbows on his knees, and looks sideways at you.

□ Everyone busy?

■ Everyone. Nobody has time.

□ Do you want to move away? To Berlin?

■ I do not know yet. I have only lived here for three months.
Before that, ten years in Hamburg.

□ I moved away from number seven at eighteen too.

■ And then?

□ I came back again.

■ Why?

□ There are many people in Berlin. But here they know your name.

Everyone is busy on Saturday. Even Mikesch walks away. Only Jonas sits down on the stairs with you: "I left number 7 too, at eighteen. I came back."