

SCENE 34 • NUMBER 7

Taf tkanta?

Thursday evening. The festival next Saturday needs helpers, and Marija has the list. Can you cook? Sing? Dance? And the new house rule on the door: "No trumpet after 22:00. Except Saturday."

ANSWER KEY

LISTENING & UNDERSTANDING

L1) WHO SAYS IT: 1c

L2) WHAT DOES IT MEAN: 1a

L3) HOW DO YOU SAY IT: 1c

L4) PUT THE WORDS IN ORDER: Xi ħadd irid jieħu ħsiebu. Il-palk jogħġbu ħafna.

L5) WHAT HAPPENS FIRST: 1: 25413

Words: Taf tkanta?

VOCABULARY & WRITING

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

W2) MARIJA'S LIST: 1: voluntiera, 1: issajjar, 1: inkanta, 1: Hlief, 1: tanbur

W3) CAN YOU?: 1: naf, 2: jaf, 3: jafx, 4: jista', 5: jkanta

W4) AT THE FEAST: 1c, 2a, 3h, 4e, 5g, 6f, 7d, 8b

Grammar: Naf inkanta, nista' ngħin

GRAMMAR

G1) FIND THE WORDS: 1) Taf, 2) nafx, 3) Naf, 4) Jista', 5) nista', 6) jafu, nistgħu

G2) WHO KNOWS HOW?: 1c, 2c, 3c, 4a, 5b, 6c, 7c, 8b

G3) KNOW HOW, OR CAN?: 1a, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5a, 6b, 7c, 8c, 9a

G4) WHO CAN DO WHAT?: 1: jaf, 2: jistax, 1: nafx, 2: naf, 1: taf, 2: tista', 1: jafu, 2: nistgħu, 1: Jista', 1: tafu, 2: Tistgħu, 1: tista'

G5) PUT THE WORDS IN ORDER: Int taf issajjar?, Ma nafx inkanta xejn., Naf indoqq u nkanta., Tonio ma jafx jiżfen., Wara nofsillejl ma tistax., Issa nista' norqod., Nafu niżfnu ftit., Tistgħu tiġu s-Sibt?, Il-voluntiera jistgħu jitgħallmu., Lina u Marija jafu jsajru tajjeb., Ella taf tkanta, u tista' tkanta fil-festa., Ġorġ jaf idoqq, u jista' jdoqq is-Sibt.

G6) THE RIGHT WORDS: 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a, 6a

Translation

Thursday evening in Marija's living room. Ġorġ and Ella are already at the table.

■ Come in, come in! Next Saturday is the feast, and the feast needs volunteers.

■ And I have a list.

○ Grandma always has a list!

▲ Like Tonio at the office!

■ Can you cook?

▲ A little. Soup and eggs.

■ And do you sing?

▲ No, I can't sing at all. When I sing, even Ċikku leaves.

● I can! I can play and sing.

▲ I know, Ġorġ. Every night!

○ And dancing? Can you dance?

▲ Not very well.

Ġorġ reads a new notice on the door.

● "No trumpet after ten in the evening. Except Saturday." What's this?

■ A new house rule.

● Why?

She looks at you.

■ Because the new neighbour has to sleep.

▲ Thank you, Mrs Marija! Now I can sleep.

● And on Saturday after midnight? Can I play?

■ After midnight, you can't. Not even on Saturday.

■ Now the jobs. Lina makes the cakes. Ġorg: the concert. Ella sings with the children.

■ And you: the café stall. And Ġikku.

▲ Ġikku?

■ Somebody has to look after him. He really likes the stage.

○ Last year he was asleep on the drum!

▲ Then this year he can sleep on my stall.

▲ And Tonio?

■ Tonio: the dancing.

● Tonio? Dance? Tonio can't dance!

■ He can learn. It'll do him good.

▲ And I can watch!

○ And does he know?

■ Not yet.

She reads out the jobs. You: the café stand, and the cat's minder. "Somebody must watch him. He likes the stage." Last year he slept on the drum. And Tonio? "The dance group. It is good for him." Does he know? Not yet.