

SCENE 32 • NUMBER 7

Iksaħ minn Hamburg

Wednesday. Tonio has the forecast for next week, festival week, on his screen: Monday rain, 17 degrees; Tuesday sun, 26 degrees. What is it like at home now? And in winter here? 8 degrees. And in summer, where do people go? The sea, Gozo, the seafront.

ANSWER KEY

LISTENING & UNDERSTANDING

L1) WHO SAYS IT: 1a

L2) WHAT DOES IT MEAN: 1c

L3) HOW DO YOU SAY IT: 1b

L4) PUT THE WORDS IN ORDER: Is-sajf! Il-ġranet itwal, il-baħar isħan, u tista' tgħum.

L5) WHAT HAPPENS FIRST: 1: 13452

Words: Iksaħ minn Hamburg

VOCABULARY & WRITING

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

W2) THE FORECAST FOR THE FEAST: 1: dieħla, 1: festa, 1: grad, 2: xemx, 1: sajf, 2: baħar, 1: borra

W3) SNOW IN APRIL?: 1: borra, 2: taf, 3: xitwa, 4: sajf

W4) SUMMER AND WINTER: 1g, 2e, 3a, 4c, 5f, 6d, 7b, 8h

Grammar: Akbar, isħan, iksaħ minn hawn

GRAMMAR

G1) FIND THE WORDS: 1) iksaħ, 2) itwal, isħan, 3) isbaħ, ibgħad, 4) akbar, iżgħar, 5) iqsar, 6) itqal, 7) aħjar, agħar

G2) THE RIGHT FORM: 1c, 2a, 3b, 4c, 5a, 6a, 7b, 8b, 9a, 10c, 11c

G3) THAN WHOM?: 1c, 2c, 3c, 4a, 5c, 6a, 7c, 8c

G4) HERE AND IN HAMBURG: 1: iksaħ, 2: iktar, 1: isħan, 2: itwal, 1: iqsar, 1: isbaħ, 2: ibgħad, 1: akbar, 2: minnek, 3: iżgħar, 1: aħjar, 2: agħar, 1: itqal, 2: minni, 1: minna, 2: minnhom

G5) ADJECTIVE AND COMPARATIVE: 1c, 2b, 3h, 4f, 5d, 6g, 7e, 8a

G6) PUT THE WORDS IN ORDER: Iksaħ minn hawn, u iktar xita., Ix-xitwa iksaħ mis-sajf., Ġorġ akbar minni., Għawdex isbaħ, imma ibgħad., Il-baħar isħan fis-sajf., Ella iżgħar minnek., Ċikku iżgħar minnhom., Aħna akbar minnkom., Marija iqsar minnu., Il-borża tiegħu itqal minn tiegħi., Ġorġ itwal minnha.

G7) THE RIGHT WORDS: 1a, 2a, 3a, 4c, 5a, 6b**Translation**

Wednesday morning in the office. Tonio has the forecast open on his screen, and a notebook beside it.

- Good morning! Do you know what the weather's doing next week?
- No. Why next week?
- Because next Saturday is the feast. I always have a plan for everything.
- Monday rain, seventeen degrees. Tuesday sun, twenty-six. Wednesday clouds and wind.
- And what's the weather like in Hamburg now?
- Colder than here, and more rain.
- More rain than here? Really?
- Really. In Hamburg it rains almost every day.
- And what's winter like here?
- Colder than summer! In January, at night, eight degrees.
- Eight degrees? That's warm! In Hamburg it's sometimes minus ten!

- But I like winter. In winter the cats stay at home.
- And you? What's your favourite season?
- Summer! The days are longer, the sea is warmer, and you can swim.
- In summer everyone goes to the sea. But in Gozo it's nicer.
- Nicer, maybe. But further away.
- Further, yes. But nicer.
- And for the feast? What does the forecast say?
- Sun in the morning, then rain, wind in the evening. And maybe snow.
- Snow? In Malta?

He points under his desk: four bags in a row.

- In April you never know. Look: four bags.
- One for the sun, one for the rain, one for the wind, and one for the snow.
- Tonio, what you need is just one bag. But a bigger one.

For Saturday the forecast shows sun, rain, wind and maybe snow. He has already packed four bags, one for each, and labels them. Ċikku is asleep in the one for the sun.