

SCENE 48 • NUMBER 7

Kulħadd okkupat

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

ANSWER KEY

LISTENING & UNDERSTANDING

L1) WHO SAYS IT: 1b

L2) WHAT DOES IT MEAN: 1c

L3) HOW DO YOU SAY IT: 1b

L4) PUT THE WORDS IN ORDER: Ma nafx. Forsi se mmur il-Belt.
Hemm xogħol tajjeb ħafna għaliya.

L5) WHAT HAPPENS FIRST: 1: 45312

Words: Kulħadd okkupat

VOCABULARY & WRITING

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

W2) THE INVITATION: 1: nistidinkom, 1: Kieku, 1: naħsel, 1: darb'oħra, 1: Okkupat, 1: indoqq

W3) ĆIKKU, WOULD YOU LIKE TO COME?: 1: nistiednek, 2: ħut, 3: okkupat, 4: niekol

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

Grammar: Tixtieq tiġi? Ejja nieklu!

GRAMMAR

G1) FIND THE WORDS: 1) Tixtieq, 2) tixtiequ, 3) Ejja, nixorbu, 4) Ejja, nitkellmu, 5) tixtieq, 6) Ejja, mmorru

G2) WHO WOULD LIKE TO?: 1a, 2c, 3b, 4c, 5c, 6a, 7c, 8a

G3) LET'S, WOULD, IF: 1a, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5b, 6b, 7a, 8b

G4) SATURDAY DINNER: 1: Tixtieq, 2: tiġi, 1: Kieku, 2: imma, 1: Ejja, 2: darb'oħra, 1: għax, 1: bil-qalb, 1: tixtiequ, 2: nieklu, 1: nitkellmu, 2: nixorbu, 1: mmorru, 2: jixtiequ

G5) PUT THE WORDS IN ORDER: Tixtieq tiġi għaċ-ċena?, Kieku niġi bil-qalb, imma ma nistax., Ejja nagħmluha darb'oħra?, Ġirien, tixtiequ tiġu s-Sibt?, Ejja mmorru Għawdex bil-vapur!, Ejja nitkellmu bil-Malti!, Il-ġirien jixtiequ jiġu, imma kulhadd okkupat., Ġorġ jixtieq jiġi, imma jdoqq mal-banda., Ejja nixorbu kafè għand Lina!, Aħna nixtiequ niġu s-Sibt.

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

G7) WOULD YOU LIKE TO?: 1e, 2b, 3f, 4a, 5c, 6d

Translation

Tuesday evening. You write a message to everyone at number 7, and to Tonio.

- 'Dear neighbours, and Tonio! Thank you for everything. On Saturday at seven in the evening, I'm inviting you to dinner at my place. Would you like to come?'
- 'There'll be soup, baked macaroni and cake. And I'm doing the cooking!'

The first answer comes after one minute.

- 'I'd love to come, but I can't. On Saturday I have three things: one, wash the windows; two, buy paper; three, something else.'
- Three jobs on a Saturday evening? And what is this other thing, Tonio?
- ▲ 'I'd like to, but on Saturday I'm working all evening. Shall we do it another time?'
- 'First I have to ask Grandma!!!'
- All right. I'll ask Marija myself.

You knock on Marija's door. Behind it someone whispers. Then nothing.

■ Mrs Marija? Are you at home?

■ On Saturday there's dinner at my place. Would you like to come?

■ Mrs Marija, the walls in this house are thin. I can hear you all!

The door stays shut. Ćikku walks past you and down the stairs without looking at you.

■ You too, Ćikku? Are you busy too?

Ġorġ comes down and sits next to you on the stairs.

□ Everyone's busy? Me too, sorry. On Saturday I'm playing with the band.

■ Everyone. Nobody can come on Saturday.

□ Do you really want to leave?

■ I don't know. Maybe I'll go to Valletta. There's a very good job for me there.

□ I left number 7 once too. I was eighteen.

■ And?

A long pause.

□ And I came back.

■ Why did you come back?

□ Valletta isn't far, and there are lots of people. But there, nobody knows your name.

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