

La música también es un trabajo

A Saturday evening in Javier'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 SAYS IT?: 1a, 2a, 3c

L2) WHAT IS TRUE?: 1b, 2a, 3b

L3) FOLLOW THE CONVERSATION: 1b, 2a

Translation

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

It is evening. Javier lives upstairs. His flat is small and comfortable.

The trumpet is on the table. Michi is on the bed.

■ Michi, are you hungry?

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

His mother calls. She lives far away.

- Hello, Mum!
- Hello, Javier. How are you?
- Fine. And you?
- Not very well. You are far away.
- Are you working now?
- Yes. I play the trumpet. It is my job.
- Musician? You need a proper job.
- Your friend from Hamburg is an engineer. His mother is happy.
- I am happy too, Mum.
- Do you have furniture? A table, a bed, a sofa?
- I have a table and bed. The sofa is in another flat.
- In another flat? Where?
- In the new neighbour's bathroom.
- In the bathroom? Javier!
- Everything is fine. Good night.

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

■ Is my job not real, Michi?

Michi sleeps. He is the boss and does not need to work.

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

Mateo and Inés arrive. They play in Javier's band.

▲ Hi! We are here.

■ Come in. Are you hungry?

● Very hungry. But first we play.

The three friends play together. It is late.

■ Listen. It is a new song.

Javier plays. His friends listen.

● I like it a lot!

■ But quietly. The neighbours are sleeping.

▲ Who lives downstairs?

■ Elvira, Clara and the new neighbour from Hamburg.

● Does the neighbour speak Spanish?

■ Yes, a little. The neighbour is an engineer.

▲ Your mother is happy, surely!

● And what do you want, Javier?

■ I want to play in a big band. Every night.

▲ And your mother?

■ She needs an engineer. But I am a musician!

● So are we. Let us play!

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

□ Excuse me. Can you play more quietly? It is midnight.

■ Oh! I am sorry. Quietly now.

Michi sleeps. He likes music.