

SCENE 28 • NUMBER 7

Platform two

Last night Tom left you a voicemail with the plan: the 9:12 from platform 2, back at 17:40. "Please buy two return tickets. I'm there at 8:57." Sunday, 8:50: you buy the tickets. 8:57: there he is.

ANSWER KEY

LISTENING & UNDERSTANDING

L1) WHO SAYS IT: 1c, 2b

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

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

L4) PUT THE WORDS IN ORDER: When does it return?, Plan B. I always have a plan B.

L5) WHAT HAPPENS FIRST: 1: 34125

Words: Platform two

VOCABULARY & WRITING

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

W2) COMPLETE THE CONVERSATION: 1: Buy, 1: Good, 1: Single, 1: Return, 1: nine

W3) MY HOLIDAY STARTS TODAY! A TICKET TO LONG LAKE, PLEASE.: 1: holiday, 2: Sorry, 3: Cancelled, 4: Oh

W4) COMPLETE THE CONVERSATION: 1: Buy, 1: Good, 1: Single, 1: Return, 1: nine

Grammar: when, what time, which

GRAMMAR

G1) NOTICE THE PATTERNS: 1) does, 2) leave, 3) Which, 4) does, 5) tickets, 6) single

G2) CHOOSE THE FORM: 1a, 2a, 3b, 4a, 5b, 6a

G3) COMPLETE A SHORT MESSAGE: 1: does, 1: leave, 1: Which, 1: does, 1: tickets, 1: single

G4) BUILD USEFUL SENTENCES: What time does the train leave?, When does the train leave?, Which platform is it?, Where does this train go?, Two return tickets, please., A single ticket, please.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?: 1a, 2b, 3a, 4a

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS: 1e, 2d, 3b, 4f, 5a, 6c

Translation

■ Good evening. Tom here. The plan: departure at nine twelve, return at seventeen forty. Platform two.

■ Buy two return tickets. I arrive at eight fifty-seven.

Sunday, ten to nine, at the ticket window.

○ Good morning. Two tickets to Long Lake, please.

▲ Single or return?

○ Return. Is the train on platform two?

▲ Yes. At nine twelve. Twenty-four pounds altogether.

○ When does it return?

▲ At seventeen forty. Here is the timetable.

At exactly 8:57, Tom arrives with a rucksack and a thermos.

■ Good morning. Eight fifty-seven. Exactly according to plan.

○ Here are our two tickets.

■ Excellent. You're on time today.

An announcement echoes through the station.

▲ Sorry. The train to Long Lake is not running today. It's cancelled.

○ Cancelled? What does that mean?

■ It isn't running today.

○ What now?

■ Plan B. I always have a plan B.

An announcement: the 9:12 to the lake is cancelled today. Tom freezes. Then he takes out a second list. "Plan B."