

SCENE 29 • NUMBER 7

B plāns

Plan B is the bus. Toms is sure it is the number 5. It is not. You get off in a park you have never seen, full of people running and playing football. A tourist asks you the way.

116 Words · 5 Exercises · Duration: 15 min.

Around town

Latvian

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LEARNING GOAL

I can say where I'm from and where I live now, and how I get somewhere.

Toms = ■ Lena (Lukas) = ○ Marta = ▲

Learning as Lukas? Use the words in brackets.

At the bus stop in front of the station.

■ B plāns: Autobuss. Piektais numurs no šīs pieturas.

○ Jūs esat drošs? Piektais numurs?

- Jā. Uz ezeru vienmēr brauc piektais.

Twenty minutes later you get off the bus in a big park.

- Tom, tas nav ezers. Tas ir parks!

- B plānā parka nav.

- Skatieties, cik daudz cilvēku! Viņi skrien, staigā un spēlē futbolu.

A woman in a red rain jacket with a paper map comes up to you.

- ▲ Atvainojiet, kur ir stacija?

- Atvainojiet, es neesmu vietējā (vietējais). Es esmu no Vācijas, bet tagad te dzīvoju.

- ▲ Jūs ļoti labi runājat latviski!

- Paldies, es mācos. No kurienes jūs esat?

- ▲ No Kanādas. Es arī mācos. Kā tikt līdz stacijai? Ar autobusu?

Toms studies her map for a long time before he answers.

- Tikai ne ar autobusu! Kājām divdesmit minūtes. Taisni, tad pa kreisi.

A grey tomcat with a torn ear walks past, tail high.

- Skatieties! Tas ir Muris! Tālu no mājām!

- Kaķis? Te? Nē...

○ Ejam viņam pakaļ!

Muris leads all three of you through the trees to the lake.

○ Ezers! Muris zina ceļu!

For the first time, Toms smiles.

■ Tas nav plānā.

▲ Ļoti skaisti. Bet kur ir stacija?

Vocabulary

DOING THINGS

spēlēt play (a game, a sport)

LIFE AND WORK

futbols football

PLACES IN TOWN

pietura stop (bus stop)

parks park

WHAT THINGS AND PEOPLE ARE LIKE

drošs sure; confident
Drošs/droša describes being sure or confident. Real is īsts/īsta, a separate word.

īsts real; genuine

LISTENING & UNDERSTANDING**L1) WHO SAYS IT**

Read the dialogue again. Who says these words? Tick the right person.

1 B plāns: Autobuss. Piektais numurs no šīs pieturas.

- ☐ A Marta
- ☐ B Toms
- ☐ C Lena

2 Kaķis? Te? Nē...

- ☐ A Toms
- ☐ B Marta
- ☐ C Lena

L2) WHAT DOES IT MEAN

Tick the right English meaning.

1 Jā. Uz ezeru vienmēr brauc piektais.

- ☐ A Yes. To the lake it's always number five.
- ☐ B Very pretty. But where's the station?
- ☐ C Look! That's Muris! Far from home!

2 Skatieties! Tas ir Muris! Tālu no mājām!

- ☐ A Look how many people! They're running, walking and playing football.
- ☐ B Look! That's Muris! Far from home!
- ☐ C Thank you, I'm learning. And where are you from?

L3) HOW DO YOU SAY IT

Tick the right Latvian sentence.

1 There's no park in plan B.

- ☐ A Skatieties! Tas ir Muris! Tālu no mājām!
- ☐ B Kaķis? Te? Nē...
- ☐ C B plānā parka nav.

2 Let's follow him!

- ☐ A No Kanādas. Es arī mācos. Kā tikt līdz stacijai? Ar autobusu?
- ☐ B Ejam viņam pakaļ!
- ☐ C Tas nav plānā.

L4) PUT THE WORDS IN ORDER

Write the words in the right order on the line.

- 1**

- 2**

L5) WHAT HAPPENS FIRST

Number the lines in the order they come in the scene.

- ☐ Jūs esat drošs? Piektais numurs?
- ☐ Kaķis? Te? Nē...
- ☐ Jūs ļoti labi runājat latviski!
- ☐ Tas nav plānā.
- ☐ B plānā parka nav.

SCENE 29 • WORDS

B plāns

Plan B

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pietura
stop (bus stop)



drošs
sure; confident



parks
park



spēlēt
play (a game, a sport)



futbols
football



apciemot
visit

Words

FROM THE SCENE

pietura

stop (bus stop)

B plāns: Autobuss. Piektais numurs no šīs pieturas.

drošs

sure; confident

Jūs esat drošs? Piektais numurs?

parks

park

B plānā parka nav.

spēlēt

play (a game, a sport)

Skatieties, cik daudz cilvēku! Viņi skrien, staigā un spēlē futbolu.

futbols

football

Skatieties, cik daudz cilvēku! Viņi skrien, staigā un spēlē futbolu.

NEW WORDS**apciemot**

visit

Es apciemoju Annu.

VOCABULARY & COMMUNICATION**W1) WHAT DOES IT MEAN?**

What does it mean?

1 apciemot

- ☐ A how much
- ☐ B visit
- ☐ C Sunday

2 drošs

- ☐ A sure; confident
- ☐ B minute
- ☐ C yes

3 parks

- ☐ A father
- ☐ B park
- ☐ C without

4 spēlēt

- ☐ A neighbour
- ☐ B tea
- ☐ C play (a game, a sport)

5 pietura

- ☐ A can (be able to)
- ☐ B living room
- ☐ C stop (bus stop)

6 futbols

- ☐ A sketchbook
- ☐ B order
- ☐ C football

W2) COMPLETE THE CONVERSATION

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

Atvainojiet Jā Jūs B

_____, es neesmu vietējā. Es esmu no Vācijas, bet tagad te dzīvoju.

Meaning: Sorry, I'm not from here. I'm from Germany, but I live here now.

Atvainojiet Jā Jūs B

_____ plāns: Autobuss. Piektais numurs no šīs pieturas.

Meaning: Plan B: the bus. Number five, from this stop.

B Jūs Atvainojiet Jā

_____ esat drošs? Piektais numurs?

Meaning: Are you sure? Number five?

B Jūs Atvainojiet Jā

_____. Uz ezeru vienmēr brauc piektais.

Meaning: Yes. To the lake it's always number five.

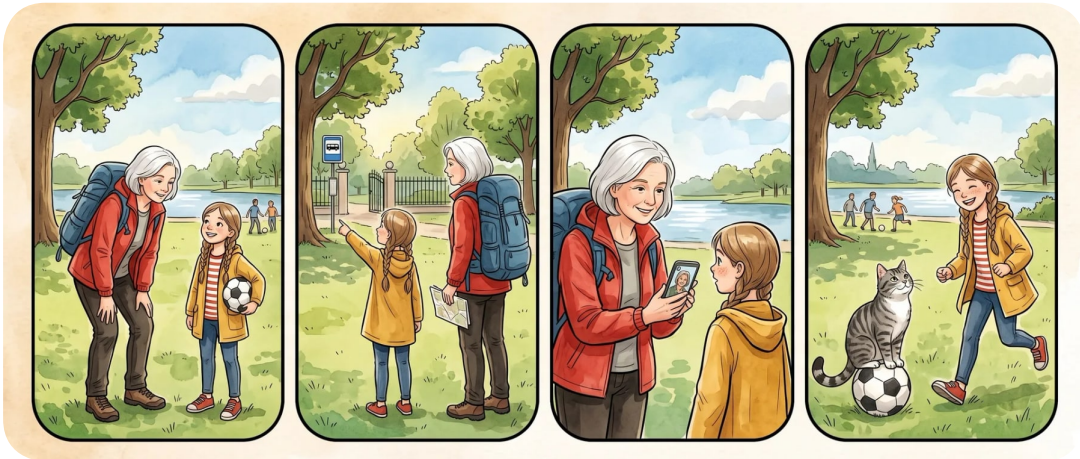
Tom B Jūs Atvainojiet

_____, tas nav ezers. Tas ir parks!

Meaning: Toms, this isn't the lake. It's a park!

W3) EXCUSE ME, WHERE IS THE BUS STOP?

Fill the speech bubbles.



valsts Kanādas futbolu pietura

Marta: Atvainojiet, kur ir autobusa _____?

Elīna: Tur pie parka. No kuras _____jūs esat?

Marta: No _____. Es apciemoju draugu.

Elīna: Es spēlēju _____ ar Muri!

Meaning: 1. Excuse me, where is the bus stop?

2. Over there, by the park. And which country are you from?

3. From Canada. I'm visiting a friend here.

4. And I'm playing football with Muris!

W4) CONNECT THE MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

- | | |
|--|---|
| ① B plānā parka nav. | ④ Jūs esat drošs?
Piektais numurs? |
| ② Jā. Uz ezeru
vienmēr brauc
piektais. | ⑤ B plāns: Autobuss.
Piektais numurs no
šīs pieturas. |
| ③ Tom, tas nav ezers.
Tas ir parks! | ⑥ Plan B: the bus. Number five,
from this stop. |
| | ⑦ Are you sure? Number five? |
| | ⑧ There's no park in plan B. |
| | ⑨ Yes. To the lake it's always
number five. |
| | ⑩ Toms, this isn't the lake. It's a
park! |

SCENE 29 • GRAMMAR

Varu, nevaru, protu

Ability, skills and permission

6 Exercises · Duration: 20 min.

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Ability, skills and permission

Varēt expresses ability or opportunity: **varu, vari, var, varam, varat, var**. Follow it with the infinitive: **varu nākt**. **Prast** expresses a skill: **protu, proti, prot, protam, protat, prot**.

Negative forms are **nevaru, nevari, nevar, nevaram, nevarat, nevar**. For a question, put **vai** at the beginning: **Vai varu ienākt?** This is a permission request.

Drīkstēt means be allowed: **drīkstu, drīksti, drīkst, drīkstam, drīkstat, drīkst**. Its early permission formula **Vai drīkstu ienākt?** has already been learned whole. **Es esmu drošs/droša** means I am sure; the learner's gender changes the describing word.

Form	Example	Meaning
varu	Es varu nākt.	I can come.
vari	Tu vari nākt.	You can come, familiar.
var	Viņš var nākt.	He can come.
varam	Mēs varam nākt.	We can come.
varat	Jūs varat nākt.	You can come, polite.
var	Viņi var nākt.	They can come.
nevaru	Es nevaru nākt.	I cannot come.
nevarat	Jūs nevarat nākt.	You cannot come, polite.

Es varu nākt.

I can come.

Tu vari nākt.

You can come, familiar.

Viņš var nākt.

He can come.

Mēs varam nākt.

We can come.

Jūs varat nākt.

You can come, polite.

Viņi var nākt.

They can come.

Es nevaru nākt.

I cannot come.

Jūs nevarat nākt.

You cannot come, polite.

GRAMMAR**G1) NOTICE THE USEFUL PATTERN**

Underline the form practised in this unit.

1 Es varu nākt.

Meaning: I can come.

2 Tu vari nākt.

Meaning: You can come, familiar.

3 Viņš var nākt.

Meaning: He can come.

4 Mēs varam nākt.

Meaning: We can come.

G2) CHOOSE THE FORM

Use the English meaning and the pattern in this unit.

1 Es _____ nākt.

- ☐ A vari
- ☐ B varam
- ☐ C varu

Meaning: I can come.

2 Tu _____ nākt.

- ☐ A varu
- ☐ B varat
- ☐ C vari

Meaning: You can come, familiar.

3 Viņš _____ nākt.

- ☐ A var
- ☐ B varam
- ☐ C varu

Meaning: He can come.

4 Mēs _____ nākt.

- ☐ A var
- ☐ B varam
- ☐ C varat

Meaning: We can come.

5 Jūs _____ nākt.

- ☐ A varam
- ☐ B varat
- ☐ C varu

Meaning: You can come, polite.

6 Viņi _____ nākt.

- ☐ A varam
- ☐ B varu
- ☐ C var

Meaning: They can come.

7 Es _____ nākt.

- ☐ A nevaru
- ☐ B nevaram
- ☐ C varu

Meaning: I cannot come.

8 Jūs _____ nākt.

- ☐ A varat
- ☐ B nevaru
- ☐ C nevarat

Meaning: You cannot come, polite.

G3) COMPLETE THE MESSAGES

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

varu var

Viņš _____ nākt.

Meaning: He can come.

varat varam

Mēs _____ nākt.

Meaning: We can come.

varu varat

Jūs _____ nākt.

Meaning: You can come, polite.

varu var

Viņi _____ nākt.

Meaning: They can come.

varu nevaru

Es _____ nākt.

Meaning: I cannot come.

varat nevarat

Jūs _____ nākt.

Meaning: You cannot come, polite.

G4) BUILD A SENTENCE

Put the words in order.

1

varu

nākt.

Es

Meaning: I can come.

2 vari nākt. Tu

Meaning: You can come, familiar.

3 nākt. Viņš var

Meaning: He can come.

4 varam nākt. Mēs

Meaning: We can come.

5 nākt. varat Jūs

Meaning: You can come, polite.

6

nākt.

var

Viņi

Meaning: They can come.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 I can come. You say:

☐ A Es varu nākt.

☐ B Es vari nākt.

2 You can come, familiar. You say:

☐ A Tu vari nākt.

☐ B Tu varu nākt.

3 He can come. You say:

☐ A Viņš varu nākt.

☐ B Viņš var nākt.

4 We can come. You say:

- (A) Mēs varam nākt.
- (B) Mēs varat nākt.

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

- | | |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| (1) Tu vari nākt. | (A) He can come. |
| (2) Jūs nevarat nākt. | (B) We can come. |
| (3) Viņš var nākt. | (C) I cannot come. |
| (4) Viņi var nākt. | (D) You cannot come, polite. |
| (5) Es nevaru nākt. | (E) I can come. |
| (6) Es varu nākt. | (F) They can come. |
| (7) Jūs varat nākt. | (G) You can come, familiar. |
| (8) Mēs varam nākt. | (H) You can come, polite. |