

NUMBER 7 • BONUS STORY

De dag van de dokter

Monday of festival week, the day you fall ill, seen from the other side of the desk: forty patients for Anne, the town doctor, no lunch, three calls from her mother, and a daughter who is waiting.

ANSWER KEY

LISTENING & UNDERSTANDING

L1) WHO SAID IT?: 1a, 2b, 3c

L2) RIGHT OR WRONG?: 1a, 2a, 3b, 4a, 5b

L3) WHAT HAPPENED FIRST?: 1: 32514

L4) UNDERSTAND THE STORY: 1b, 2b, 3a

Translation

Monday in May. Doctor Anne is already at the practice. She always arrives early.

■ Good morning, doctor! Forty patients today.

○ Forty? Well, we work until seven. First patient, please!

▲ Good day, doctor! It's me again.

○ Oh, Mr Bakker! You're here twice a week. How do you feel?

- ▲ Bad. My back hurts. And my leg. And my head.
- Your head too? All right. Breathe in deeply... Once more.
- ▲ Doctor, my children are far away. At home I'm very bored.
- You aren't ill. You're just bored.
- Here's my prescription: every morning, Sanne's café. Coffee, cake and people.
- ▲ Cake as medicine? I like this prescription very much!
- Laura, he doesn't need medicine. He needs people.
- Good day. I have a headache. Every day.
- How many hours do you sleep?
- Four. I have an exam on Friday, so I study at night.
- Four? Too little. A tired head learns nothing.
- Sleep eight hours a night and drink a lot of water.
- Doctor, you're not having lunch again!
- I haven't got time, Laura. Maybe later.
- Your mother is on the phone. The third time today. What shall I tell her?
- Anne, you're not eating again. I know: Laura tells me everything.

□ And at four my new neighbour is coming to see you. They're ill.

○ I know, Mum. I know everything too.

□ And this evening? Emma is asking when you're coming.

○ At seven, Mum. To your place.

□ You always say seven. And you come at nine.

△ Mum! You said seven!

○ Sorry, Emma. There were forty patients today.

△ Forty patients! And me you only see in the evening.

□ Sit down, my girl. Eat. A doctor has to eat too.

○ Mum, I'm not a child. I'm forty-four!

□ You're my child, and you need to eat.

△ Mum, why are you a doctor?

○ When I was little, like you, Grandma was a teacher. She was at school all day.

○ In the evening she was very tired, and I was sad.

○ So I was the doctor. Grandma was my patient, and my doll was the nurse.

□ Yes. And the prescription was always the same: tea and bed.

- I like it when people feel better. That's why I'm a doctor.
- △ And on Saturday I am singing with the children at the town festival! Are you coming?
- On Saturday? On Saturday I work until...
- △ Mum! You're always working!
- All right. On Saturday I'm not working. We're all coming to the festival: you, me, Dad and your brother.
- And me? I'm always at the festival. I see everything and I know everything.
- And now eat, both of you! You're too thin.

All three of them eat pancakes. Anne is already on her third.