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READING: Boy Drives to McDonald's

Vocabulary Preview

- Match the words on the left with the meanings on the right.

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| 1. by himself | <u>E</u> | A. the place where two roads cross |
| 2. however | _____ | B. to answer a question |
| 3. intersection | _____ | C. job |
| 4. unfortunately | _____ | D. to bring someone to jail |
| 5. reply (v.) | _____ | E. without help from another person |
| 6. reporter | _____ | F. a person who works for a newspaper / TV news show |
| 7. career | _____ | G. people say this when something bad happens |
| 8. arrest (v.) | _____ | H. but |

- Use the above words to complete the sentences. Use plural forms and past tense if necessary.

1. The policemen arrived and arrested the bank robbers.
2. I learned how to drive last month. _____, I had an accident.
3. Most _____ have traffic lights or stop signs.
4. My little brother just learned how to put on his shoes _____.
5. Sarah likes her _____. She's a doctor.
6. I work for a magazine as a news _____.
7. John studied hard for the math exam. _____, he failed.
8. I didn't know how to _____ to my friend's difficult question.

- Choose any two of the above words and write your own sentences.

1. _____
2. _____

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Topics: Driving / McDonald's / Fast Food

Boy Drives to McDonald's



On April 9, 2017, an 8-year-old boy in Ohio decided that he really wanted to eat a cheeseburger. It was eight o'clock at night and both of his parents were sleeping, so he decided to drive there **by himself**¹. **However**², he had a problem. He was only eight years old and so, of course, he didn't know how to drive. No problem! After a few minutes of watching YouTube videos about how to drive, he and his 4-year-old sister got into their father's car and drove about two kilometers to McDonald's. It was his first time to drive a car, but he drove through four **intersections**³ without any accidents. **Unfortunately**⁴ for the child, the workers at McDonald's called the police when they saw a young boy was driving a car. When Jake Koehler, the policeman, arrived, he asked the boy, "Do you know what you're doing?" The boy **replied**⁵, "Me and my sister really wanted a cheeseburger." Later, the policeman said to **reporters**⁶, "I don't think I'll see anything like this the rest of my **career**⁷." The policeman did not **arrest**⁸ the hungry, young driver.

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Grammar Practice

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1.

- (A) decides
- (B) decided
- (C) decide

2.

- (A) eats
- (B) ate
- (C) eat

3.

- (A) yourself
- (B) himself
- (C) myself

4.

- (A) wasn't
- (B) not
- (C) didn't

5.

- (A) his
- (B) he's
- (C) him

6.

- (A) two
- (B) too
- (C) to

7.

- (A) was
- (B) were
- (C) had

8.

- (A) child
- (B) a child
- (C) the child

9.

- (A) drove
- (B) driving
- (C) drive

10.

- (A) your
- (B) you
- (C) you're

11.

- (A) see
- (B) saw
- (C) seeing

12.

- (A) was
- (B) did
- (C) were

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How Much Do You Understand?

- *According to the article, write 'T' (True) or 'F' (False) next to each statement.*

1. _____ The story happened in the morning.
2. _____ The boy was sleeping at eight o'clock when he felt hungry.
3. _____ He used the Internet to teach himself how to drive a car.
4. _____ The boy was alone when he drove to McDonald's.
5. _____ The boy told a policeman that he just wanted a cheeseburger.
6. _____ The boy did not go to jail.

Discuss

- *Discuss the following questions with your classmates.*

1. Do you think the boy should go to jail for a few days? Why? / Why not?
2. Did you ever do something bad when you were a kid? If 'yes', what?
3. Do you really believe that the boy could drive after watching just a few minutes of a YouTube video? Why? / Why not?

Write

- *Choose one of the above discussion questions. Write a short paragraph to answer it.*

Lesson "Boy Drives to McDonald's"

Grammar Focus Mixed (includes Past Simple and Reflexive Pronouns)

Vocabulary 183 words
A1 words-83% / **A2** words-13% / **B1** words-2%
AWL (No AWL words in this text)
 Vocabulary Analysis by: vocabkitchen.com

Level Elementary to Pre-Intermediate (CEFR A2)

ANSWER KEY Page 1

● **Vocabulary Preview**

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|------|---|
| 1. E | 1. arrested ^{ed} |
| 2. H | 2. Unfortunately ('However' is also acceptable) |
| 3. A | 3. intersections ^s |
| 4. G | 4. by himself |
| 5. B | 5. career |
| 6. F | 6. reporter |
| 7. C | 7. However ('Unfortunately' is also acceptable) |
| 8. D | 8. reply |

ANSWER KEY Page 3

● **Grammar (Article)**

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|------|-------|
| 1. B | 7. A |
| 2. C | 8. C |
| 3. B | 9. B |
| 4. C | 10. C |
| 5. A | 11. A |
| 6. A | 12. B |

ANSWER KEY Page 4

● **How Much Do You Understand?**

1. F (*The boy drove the car in the evening.*)
2. F (*His parents were sleeping, but we don't know if the boy was sleeping.*)
3. T
4. F (*His younger sister was with him.*)
5. T
6. T

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