

11B The dinner party

Question words

DINNER PARTY GUESTS

1 is an inventor. He/She invented a(n) last week.

2 is a millionaire. He/She won £..... on the lottery three months ago.

3 is a politician. He/She became president of his/her country in 20.....

4 is a sailor. He/She lived on his/her boat for years.

5 is a diplomat. He/She visited..... countries last year.

6 is a marathon runner. He/She runs kilometres every day.

7 is an artist. He/She sells one of his/her paintings every

8 is an Olympic swimmer. He/She can swim 100 metres in seconds.

9 is a translator. He/She can speak, and

10 is a film director. He/She makes films.

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What ...? When ...? What kind of ...? Which ...? How long ...?
How often ...? How much ...? How many ...? How far ...? How fast ...?
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Role card A

You are an inventor and you live in Germany. Last week you invented a machine that does English homework! You think this machine will make you rich!

Role card B

You're from London and three months ago you lived in a very small flat and worked in a bank. Then you won £4,000,000 on the lottery! Now you live in a big house in Hawaii.

Role card C

You are a famous politician and you became president of your country in 2010. Everybody thinks you're a wonderful president (well, that's what they tell you!).

Role card D

You are a famous sailor from Holland. You sailed around the world in the 1970s. After that you lived on your boat for 27 years! Now you live in Amsterdam.

Role card E

You are a diplomat for your country. You spend a lot of time travelling around the world visiting important people. Last year you visited 74 countries!

Role card F

You are a marathon runner from South Africa. You won the New York Marathon in 2011. You run 30 km every day, including Sundays. You're very tired!

Role card G

You are an artist and you live in Russia. You are very poor because you only sell one painting every year. Maybe someone at the party wants to buy your paintings?

Role card H

You are from Australia and you are a swimmer. You won two gold medals in the London Olympics. You are the fastest swimmer in the world and you can swim 100 metres in 47 seconds.

Role card I

You are a translator for the United Nations and you live in the centre of New York. You can speak three languages: French, Russian and English (of course!).

Role card J

You are a famous film director from Hollywood. You only make one kind of film: action films. You are good friends with Bruce Willis and Matt Damon.

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Instructions and Answer key

You will need: one copy of the worksheet per student; one role card per student

- Pre-teach the following items of vocabulary: *inventor, invent, sailor, diplomat, marathon runner, millionaire, translator, film director, win the lottery, painting.*
- Tell the class that they are all going to a dinner party and give each student a copy of the worksheet. Also tell them that the first gap in each item corresponds to a person's name.
- Students work in pairs or small groups and write down the questions they will need to ask in order to complete the second gap for each person. Students must begin each question with one of the question words in the box above the picture. For example, for question 1 they should write: *What did you invent last week?* Note that all the questions should have *you* as the subject. Check the questions with the whole class group before continuing (see Answer key).
- Give each student a role card in random order and allow them time to read the information on the card. They are not allowed to look at each other's cards. If you have more than ten students, the cards can be duplicated without affecting the outcome of the activity.
- Students move around the room and have short conversations with each other. Encourage them to begin by introducing themselves and using 'getting to know you' questions (*Where are you from?, What do you do?, etc.*), rather than just asking the questions required to complete the worksheet.
- When a student finds out who someone is, he/she writes the person's name in the first gap on the worksheet. Then he/she must ask the question he/she has prepared and write the answer in the second gap. The activity continues until students have filled in all the gaps on their worksheet.
- Students check their answers in pairs or with the whole class.

ANSWER KEY

- 1 What did you invent last week?
- 2 How much (money) did you win on the lottery three months ago?
- 3 When did you become president of your country?
- 4 How long / How many years did you live on your boat (for)?
- 5 How many countries did you visit last year?
- 6 How far / How many kilometres do you run every day?
- 7 How often do you sell one of your paintings?
- 8 How fast can you swim 100 metres?
- 9 Which/What languages can you speak?
- 10 What kind of films do you make?