

1 mission Stages 1 and 2

1 Get into pairs and choose a circus artist to be. Then ask and answer to complete your partner's weekly schedule with his/her daily routines.

wake up have breakfast
 have lunch have a snack
 have dinner go to bed



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2 Get into pairs with your weekly schedules. Ask your partner about when they practise and add this information to their weekly schedule.

1 Culture

Matryoshka dolls



1 Read and tell the class.

- a Have you got any old toys in your house? What are they?
- b Have you got any toys from different countries? What are they?

2 What is a Russian matryoshka? Look quickly at the article and tick ✓ the correct answer.

- a A girl who invented a doll.
- b A toy.
- c A story about a girl from a village.

Matryoshka dolls

What present do most visitors to Russia buy? It's a special wooden doll – a *matryoshka*. A matryoshka is a doll with a surprise. She has two halves that you can open. When you open the biggest doll there's a smaller one inside, and then many smaller ones. A typical matryoshka has three to eight dolls, but the biggest one in the world has 72!

Here are some other surprises about matryoshkas:

- This traditional Russian doll is not even 130 years old. Moscow is nearly 1,000 years old!
- The first dolls were very expensive and belonged to rich women, not to children.
- The first matryoshka came from a toy factory near Moscow in the 1890s. She was a girl from a Russian village and she wore traditional clothes. She had a scarf on her head and a bright apron with flowers on.

Matryoshka was a typical Russian girl's name for hundreds of years. Usually the dolls in a matryoshka are similar but they aren't the same. Not all matryoshkas are girls. Some of them tell a story. There are also matryoshka Russian leaders, pets and Father Christmas with his wife and elves. There are even matryoshkas of famous football and baseball players.

3 Read the article again and answer with a tick ✓ or a cross X.

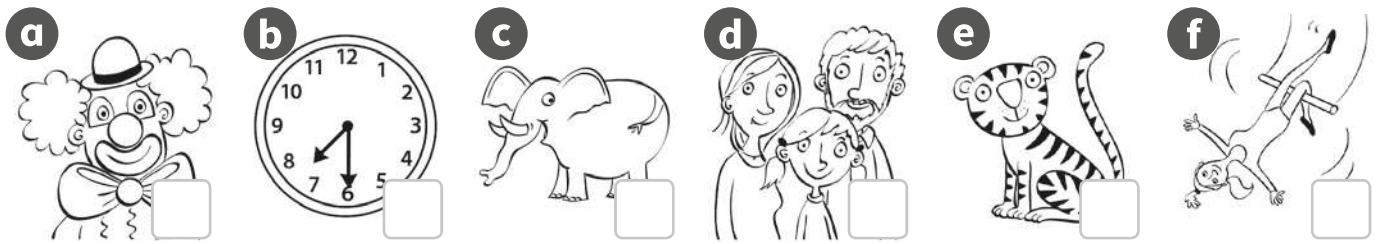
- 1 Many people buy matryoshkas when they travel to Russia.
- 2 All matryoshkas have eight dolls.
- 3 Russian children first played with the dolls hundreds of years ago.
- 4 The dolls in a matryoshka are not exactly the same.
- 5 You can buy a matryoshka with dolls that are animals.

4 Draw a toy or game. Find out about its history. Make notes.

- Where did it come from?
- What was the first one like?
- When did people first play with it?

1 Skills 2: Reading and writing

1 Read the story and number the pictures in order.



An evening at the circus

Daisy was excited about her trip to the circus with her mum and dad last Saturday. They arrived at the circus before the show started.

'Can I go and look at the animals?' Daisy asked them.

'Of course, you can,' they said.

Daisy walked to the back of the circus tent and stopped. She didn't know where to go.

A big grey elephant walked past. It looked at Daisy and it sat down. Daisy climbed onto its back. The elephant stood up. It was very tall and Daisy was frightened.

The elephant walked into the circus tent. There were some acrobats in the tent. They were practising for the evening show. They were flying high in the air. Daisy shouted, 'Hello!', and smiled. Their costumes were beautiful.

Then the elephant walked to the back of the tent. It was dark there and Daisy could see two small lights. They were a tiger's eyes! Daisy was very frightened now, but the elephant didn't stop walking. It walked out of the tent and to a bus. The bus had a garden and a yellow door. It was a little house. Daisy climbed off the elephant and the door opened. There was a clown with a red nose and long pink shoes.

'Excuse me,' said the clown. 'What time is it? I can't find my watch.' Daisy looked at her watch. 'It's half past seven,' she said.

'Half past seven! Oh dear!' said the clown. 'It's time for the show.' He took Daisy's hand and ran to the circus tent. Daisy's parents were very surprised when they saw her run in with a clown!

2 Read the questions and complete the answers.

- 1 Where did Daisy go last Saturday? To the _____.
- 2 Who did she go out with? Her _____.
- 3 What did Daisy want to see before the show? The _____.
- 4 Which animal did she meet first? An _____.
- 5 What did Daisy do? She _____ onto it.
- 6 Why was Daisy frightened? _____ it was tall.
- 7 Who were practising in the tent? Some _____.
- 8 Whose house did Daisy see? A _____'s.
- 9 Which colour were the clown's shoes? _____.
- 10 What time did the circus show start? At _____.



Grammar 1

1 Think about a typical Sunday and write answers for you.

| My Sunday | You | _____ |
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| What time do you wake up? | | |
| When do you get up? | | |
| What do you have for breakfast? | | |
| Who makes it? | | |
| Where do you go after breakfast? | | |
| Do you do any sport? | | |
| What? Where? Who with? | | |
| What's your favourite Sunday lunch? | | |
| How much homework do you do? | | |
| How many hours of television do you watch? | | |
| Which programmes do you watch? | | |
| Why do you watch these programmes? | | |
| What do you do in the evening? | | |
| What time do you go to bed? | | |

2 Ask and answer questions. Complete the survey for a partner.