**Aufgabenbeispiel**

**Semester 4, 1. Quartal, Einheit 1**

***Being mobile***

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*Being and staying mobile is very important to lots of people, old and young.*

*While working on the topic of “Being mobile”, you are going to improve your reading and writing skills.*

**1.** 🕮 **Reading comprehension – *An accident***

Read the following news report about an accident and say whether the statements are

“true or false”. Give reasons.

*The Quabbler Observer news p. 5*

Accident in Alfred Road

**Petersborough.** Several people were injured this morning when a lorry which was carrying concrete pipes overturned in the centre of town and hit two cars. Ambulances which were called to the scene took a long time to get through the rush hour traffic. The accident happened in Alfred Road, where road repairs were on their way. People who saw the accident say that the lorry hit the cars after it swerved to avoid a pile of stones which was left in the road. The traffic chaos was caused by the accident has meant a lot of delays for people who were travelling to work.

1. **Fortunately, nobody got hurt in the accident.**

True ⬜

False ⬜

Because the text says: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **After the accident the road had to be repaired.**

True ⬜

False ⬜

because the text says: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **Eye witnesses say that the accident was not the lorry driver’s fault.**

True ⬜

False ⬜

because the text says: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **Many people were late for work.**

True ⬜

False ⬜

because the text says: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**2. Grammar – *Relative clauses and participle constructions***

Read the report about the accident again and focus on some changes in its grammar.

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1. Mark the changes between the two articles.
2. Find a rule.

Write your rule down here. You can do so in German:

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1. Discuss with your partner which of these articles seems to be more typical of a newspaper article.
2. Tell your teacher and the class about your findings.
3. Do exercises 9, p. 123 in your book.

**3.** 🖉 **Writing – *Accident on the School’s parking space***

Yet another accident has happened on the students’ parking space in front of Albuquerque High School and you were the first witness!

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1. As the first witness to the accident you are asked to write a small report about the accident.

**For your report …**

* … use the picture of the little fender bender *(kleiner Blechschaden)*
* … decide on what **exactly** happened (Who? What? When? Why? How?)
* … make up other witnesses
* … use the text *Accident in Alfred Road* for help
* … use at least four participle constructions

1. After you have finished: **Check your text!**

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|  | **Check ☑** |
| * Re-read your report for logical correctness and clarity. Have you left out any important pieces of information? * Check if your language is clear enough and easy to understand. * Proofread your report for language errors and correct them. * Write a fair copy. | ⬜  ⬜  ⬜  ⬜ |

**4.** 👂**Listening comprehension – *Young People and Driving Dangers***

The podcasts you are going to listen to were produced by American students who want to warn other young drivers of the dangers of driving your own car.

Listen to the podcasts and complete the sentences.

***Example:***

Text ❶: The accident happened because the driver was \_\_\_\_*distracted* \_\_\_\_ .

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| Text ❷: \_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* can be a deadly.  Text ❸: You should always wear a \_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* while you are driving.  Text ❹: The dead student did not see the other car because she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*.  Text ❺: The girl didn’t notice the sharp curve because she \_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.* |

**5.** 🗣🖉 **Speaking and Writing - *Worst Driving Habits***

While it's important to eat, shave and brush your teeth, it can be a menace while driving.

Here's a list of the worst driving habits:

* Talking on cell phone
* Turning around to talk to passengers or yell at kids
* Listening to loud music
* Searching for things in the backseat
* Tailgating
* Eating, particularly hot drinks and messy foods like tacos
* Reading, lots of people try to read directions while driving
* Excessive lane changing

**Tasks:**

1. In a group of four: Have a look at the list of the worst driving habits. Tell your partners…
   * which of these you sometimes do.
   * which of them you have noticed when riding on the passenger’s seat.
   * about any other bad driving habits you know.
2. Explain why these driving habits are so dangerous.
3. Write a newspaper article and focus on accidents caused by bad driving habits. (Remember formal aspects you have learned in class, e.g. participle constructions.) **6.** 🕮 🖉**Reading and writing –** **The Man in the Tunnel**

**It** was Albert on the phone. “You’ll be at the pub as usual tonight, won’t you?” “Yes, of course, I’ll be there at eight, as usual,” I answered. George, Albert and I used to meet every Thursday evening and we always told stories. The best story of the evening won a prize – the prize was a beer!

That night George met us just after eight. He sat down and said mysteriously, “I’ve never told you about the man in the tunnel, have I? You won’t believe this story – but it’s true. It happened to me a couple of years ago.” Albert and I smiled and took a drink of our beers. “Okay, George,” I said. “Out with it. This is going to be a good one, isn’t it?” And Albert and I sat and listened to George’s story.

I was on my way home from work. That was when I lived south of the river and worked on the other side. I used to go on my motorbike through the tunnel under the river. It was an evening in winter and very late. And it was foggy, too. I went along River Road to the tunnel – and then I saw something unusual. There was a man in the middle of the road. I braked. “What on earth are you doing in the middle of the road?” I shouted. “Oh, I’m very sorry,” the stranger said. “But I’ve had an accident with my car – nobody is hurt, but I must get home or my wife will be worried. I live on the other side of the river. It isn’t far. Do you think you could take me with you?” He told me his address. It was true. It wasn’t far. His house was just round the corner from mine.

“Okay,” I said. “Sit behind me and be careful!” The stranger got on and we started. There wasn’t much traffic in the tunnel. I tried to talk to the man behind me – I told him something about my work and where I lived but he didn’t answer.

On the other side of the river I stopped at the crossroads. “This is your road, isn’t it?” I asked. The stranger didn’t speak. I turned to look at him. He wasn’t there! Where was he? The street was deserted. I looked everywhere but there was nobody on the road. I turned the motorbike round and went back through the tunnel, but I couldn’t see the man anywhere. Five minutes later I was back on the other side of the river. It was still very foggy and the road was still deserted. So where on earth was the man?

I was really worried, I can tell you. I didn’t know what to do – so I just went home. The next day was Saturday. I got up late and had breakfast. And then I remembered. The address! The stranger told me his address. “I’ll go to his house and ask him what happened to him last night, “ I thought.

I got on my bike and went to the house where the man lived. It was a large house on a busy road. I walked up to the door of the house and rang the bell. An old woman opened the door slowly. “Well, what do you want?” she asked. I started to tell her my story about the stranger. “He gave me this address. He lives here, doesn’t he?”

“No. Nobody else lives here – only me,” she said after she heard the story. So I thought I didn’t have the right address. But then she asked, “What was this man like? Can you tell me?” I tried to describe him. “But that’s my husband,” she said.

“Oh, I see,” I said, “Did he get home all right? I was worried about him.”

“Worried about him?” she said, “Why? He’s dead. He was in a terrible car accident years ago. On the other side of the tunnel.”

George finished his beer. “I think I’ll have the same again, “ he said.

(Ramsey, Gaynor et al. (2002): *English Network 2 – New Edition*. München: Langenscheidt-Longman, p. 107).

6.1 🕮 **Reading comprehension**

*☞ Read the text “The Man in the Tunnel” and work on the following tasks.*

* 1. **“The narrator and his friends meet once a week”. This statement is …**

⬜ true

⬜ false

because the text says**:**

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**2. The narrator seems to be looking forward to George’s story. Prove from the text.**

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* 1. **“In his story George has an accident”. This statement is …**

⬜ true

⬜ false

because the text says**:**

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* 1. **“When George notices that the man is gone, he searches for him”.**

**This statement is** …

⬜ true

⬜ false

because the text says**:**

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* 1. **When George wants to meet the old man he is not there because he …** 
     1. ⬜ gave George the wrong address.
     2. ⬜ didn’t come home last night.
     3. ⬜ is dead.
  2. **Which of the following descriptions fits the story best?**
     1. ⬜ funny story
     2. ⬜ ghost story
     3. ⬜ horror story

**6.2** 🖉 **Writing – Speculations**

☞ Read the following tasks and write a comment.

**Do you think George simply wants to make a fool of his friends?**

* Write a text and give reasons for your opinion (150 words).
* Make sure you plan and structure your text well.

☞ After you have finished: Remember to check your text!

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|  | **Check ☑** |
| * Re-read your comment for logical correctness and clarity. Have you left out any ideas? * Make sure you have expressed your position clearly enough. * Check if your language is clear enough and suitable for a comment. * Proofread your comment for language errors and correct them. (May be you need to consult your “error page” in your portfolio). * Write a fair copy. | ⬜  ⬜  ⬜  ⬜  ⬜ |

***OR:***

*☞* **Creative writing:**Write a possible continuation of the story*.*

**The story is ended with the sentences**

***George finished his beer. ‘I think I’ll have***

***the same again,’ he said*.**

* What do you think might his friend say or ask?

Write a continuation of the dialogue between the three men (150 words).

* Make sure you plan and structure your text well.

☞ After you have finished: Remember to check your text!

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|  | **Check ☑** |
| * Re-read your dialogue for logical correctness and clarity. * Check if your text AND language is close enough to the original. * Proofread your dialogue for language errors and correct them. (May be you need to consult your “error page” in your portfolio). * Write a fair copy. | ⬜  ⬜  ⬜  ⬜ |

**Anhang**

**Lösungen**

**1.** 🕮 **Reading comprehension - *An accident***

1. **Fortunately, nobody got hurt in the accident.**

True ⬜

False ⌧

because the text says: *Several people were injured this morning …*

1. **After the accident the road had to be repaired.**

True ⬜

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because the text says: *The accident happened in Alfred Road, where road repairs were on their way.*

1. **Eye witnesses say that the accident was not the lorry driver’s fault.**

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because the text says: *People who saw the accident say that the lorry hit the cars after it swerved to avoid a pile of stones which was left in the road.*

1. **Many people were late for work.**

True ⌧

False ⬜

because the text says: *The traffic chaos was caused by the accident has meant a lot of delays for people who were travelling to work.*

**4.** 👂**Listening comprehension - *Young People and Driving Dangers***

Text ❷: \_\_\_*Speeding*\_*\_\_*can be a deadly.

Text ❸: You should always wear a \_\_\_*seatbelt*\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* while you are driving.

Text ❹: The dead student did not see the other car because she \_*was using her cell phone / was distracted\_\_\_*.

Text ❺: The girl didn’t notice the sharp curve because she \_\_*was texting* \_*.*

6.1 🕮 **Reading comprehension**

1. **“The narrator and his friends meet once a week”. This statement is …**

true ⌧

false ⬜

because the text says**:** *George, Albert and I used to meet every Thursday evening…*

* 1. **The narrator seems to be looking forward to George’s story. Proof from the text.**

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2 *“Okay, George,” I said. “Out with it. This is going to be a good one, isn’t it?”*

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because the text says**:** *… the stranger said. “But I’ve had an accident with my car …*

* 1. **“When George notices that the man is gone, he searches for him”.**

**This statement is** …

⌧ true

⬜ false

because the text says**: “***… I looked everywhere but there was nobody on the road.”*

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