Lesson 13

Camel ride in Egypt

Track 45

After travelling through the Canal they arrive at the town of Suez. The group takes a coach to Cairo in the morning and in the afternoon they get ready for a camel tour to the Pyramids.

Wolfgang: Are you sure that camels are safe? Couldn't we take a bus or taxi from here?



Achmet: Very good choice. Nice and friendly camel. Her name is Cleopatra!

Everybody gets onto their camels and starts riding towards the famous sight – except Wolfgang and Cleopatra.

Wolfgang: What shall I do? I need help. Move, Cleopatra! Go! Walk! Follow the others, Cleopatra! I am the chef... no, I am the boss.

But Achmet is busy telling Anja about his Bedouin life and nobody realises the trouble Wolfgang is in.

Wolfgang: You are beautiful, Cleopatra. The best camel in the world. Please go to Achmet. Why won't you walk, you stupid animal? I want to see the Pyramids – not sit on a camel all day! Whoa... Achmet!

Cleopatra suddenly runs off with Wolfgang bouncing on top. The others are already getting their first view of the amazing pyramids when Wolfgang and Cleopatra come galloping past.

Helga: Look at that! What a sight. This will be something to talk about at the Captain's Dinner tonight. Oh my goodness, Wolfgang. Wolfgang?! What are you doing? Where are you going?

Cleopatra suddenly stops and throws Wolfgang into the sand. He decides never to climb on a camel's back again.

Let's talk about Egypt





Good to Know



What do you mean?

wave - trousers - boss - hedgehog - manure - factory



What is Wolfgang worried about? What problems does he have with Cleopatra? Why doesn't Achmet help him? What does Cleopatra do? Why doesn't Wolfgang say anything? Do you think this is normal behaviour for a camel? Have you ever had problems with an animal? Have you ever seen any of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World?

People on board 2

Track 46

Erna is the eldest passenger on board. Her daughter, Marianne, gave her the cruise as a 75th birthday present. She is with her mother on the cruise. They are from the Netherlands. Erna lives in a small town close to Amsterdam with her husband Rudi. He doesn't like travelling and he doesn't like the sea. This is why they are travelling without him. Marianne lives in Rotterdam and doesn't see her parents very often.





Mr. Fushioko is from Tokyo and is travelling by himself. He is a retired business man. He went on a lot of business trips but he never had time for sightseeing. He was always in hotels and at conferences. Now, he is going back to a lot of the countries and places that he wanted to spend more time in. He is enjoying a slower, less hectic lifestyle. He is fascinated by the different cultures he is seeing.

Petra and Gerard met on a cruise around the Caribbean over 15 years ago. What started as a holiday romance, became a serious relationship and now they are celebrating their 10th wedding anniversary. They decided to go on another cruise. Petra's parents are looking after the children while they are away. Petra and Gerard are taking the opportunity to do as much as possible – cocktails, trips, dancing...



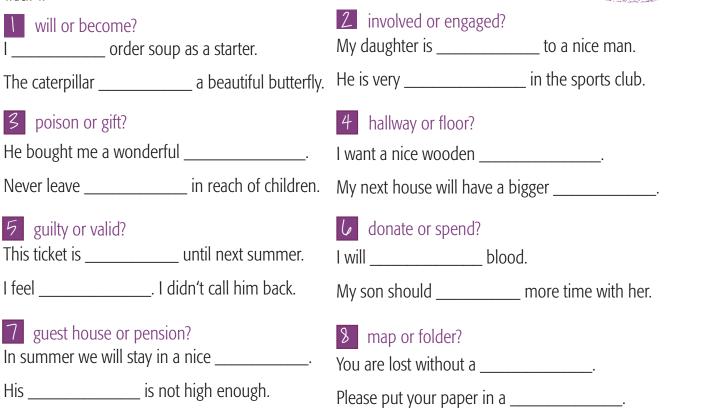
Describe the people above - use the words on page 44

Please answer the questions

1	Who is the eldest passenger on board?
2	When did Petra and Gerard meet? And where?
3	Who is from Tokyo?
4	Where is Erna from?
5	Where does Marianne live?
\checkmark	Who is Rudi? And why is he not on board?
7	What are Petra and Gerard celebrating?
8	What was Mr. Fushioko's job?

Easily confused

Track 47



Easily confused



Riddle

Track 48



I'm useful for journeys when you're going far. I need lots of petrol because I'm a _____!