

Nombre: _____

1. Read and answer.

"A Cold Day"

It is an extremely cold January day in York, Pennsylvania. The temperature is below freezing. Snow is starting to fall.

Dr. James turns on the television to check the weather. "Today is going to be very cold," says the TV weatherman. "Be sure to wear very warm clothes when you go outside. Also, be careful driving on the roads. In fact, if you can stay home today, do it!" Dr. James cannot stay home. Very sick people are waiting to see him at the hospital.

He goes to his closet. He takes out the warmest clothes he has. He puts on a sweater, jacket, gloves, socks, boots and a hat.

He opens his front door to go to work. A gust of cold air blows inside.

"Wow, it is very cold outside," Dr. James says. He is from Miami and does not like the cold. "The weatherman was right!"

He jumps into the car. He trembles. His neck feels especially cold.

Dr. James drives slowly to work. Everyone else is driving slowly, too. There is a lot of traffic on the road.

There are cars in front and behind.

Suddenly, the cars in front of Dr. James come to a stop. An accident!

Dr. James hurries from his car to check on the driver of the car. "Is everyone okay?" Dr. James asks.

"Yes, yes, we are fine. We slipped on a patch of ice," the driver says. "This was a good day to stay home in bed."



1. Where is Dr James from?

2. Why cannot Dr James stay at home?

3. What kind of clothes does Dr James wear today?

4. There aren't too many cars on the road today. TRUE FALSE

5. Dr James takes the driver of the car in front of him to the hospital. TRUE FALSE

2. Read about the Dr James and choose the right form of the verb.

When Dr James finished his studies, he started looking for a job. There **WASN'T / WEREN'T** many good jobs in Miami, so he decided to go to another town. He **CAME / WAS COMING** to York five years ago. He started working at a small clinic in the suburbs. He **DIDN'T LIKE / WASN'T LIKING** it very much, but the pay was good. One day, he **READ / WAS READING** a patient's history when the telephone rang. It **WERE / WAS** the Director of York Central Hospital, the biggest hospital in town. He offered Dr James a job in the hospital. Dr James **SAID / SAYS** "Yes" immediately. This was a great opportunity for him!

Now Dr James **WAS WORKING / IS WORKING** in the Emergency Room of the hospital. He **SAW / SEES** many patients every day and it is a lot of work, but he is happy. He loves **HELP / HELPING** people.

Next week, Dr James **HAS / IS GOING TO HAVE** a short holiday. He is going to Miami to visit his family.



LEVEL A2

PAPER 1 / 13

3. Now read about Dr James's holiday and complete each blank with ONE word from the box.

HOWEVER WHEN SO TOO AFTER THAN WHEN
BECAUSE AND BUT THE EVERYONE

Dr James is in Miami now. He is staying with his parents in his old home. He is having a great time with his old friends and relatives.

Last night he went out to dinner with his best friend, Paul. They wanted to talk about their lives, _____ they went to a small restaurant on the beach. _____ they arrived, they saw something unusual. The restaurant is usually quiet, _____ last night there was a party and it was full of people. Dr James and Paul decided to go to another restaurant. It was full of people, _____. They were all singing and dancing and _____ was making a lot of noise.



_____, Dr James and Paul decided to stay. They sat at a table by the window and ordered their meal. "The food here is better _____ in York," Dr James told his friend. Paul laughed and said, "I know. This is _____ best restaurant in town. It is also quite expensive, but it doesn't matter." They didn't talk much _____ the music was too loud and it was impossible to hear anything. _____ that, Dr James and Paul went to Paul's house and they talked all night about their new lives.

4. Read about Paul and complete each blank with ONE word from the box

USUALLY PLANE AGO ALSO ABOUT WORKS HIS WEARING
PREFERS BEST DON'T

Paul is a teacher. He _____ in a high school. He started working there two years _____ and he loves reading Dickens' novels. He has most of _____ books. He _____ likes impressionist artists: Van Gogh and Matisse. When he takes a holiday he _____ hot weather. He doesn't like _____ heavy jackets. He _____ goes to places where he can visit interesting museums and learn more _____ the artists he likes. Paul travels a lot by _____. He says it is the _____ way to get everywhere.



5. Paul is on holiday in New York. He phones one of his friends there. Complete their conversation. Be careful! There's an extra bubble.

Where are you staying

Can I speak to

Why don't we meet

What are you going to do

What did you do

Is it far from

Paul: Hello. _____ Thomas, please?

Thomas: This is Thomas speaking.

Paul: Hi, Thomas! This is Paul. I'm here in New York on business.

Thomas: Hi, Paul! What a nice surprise! _____?

Paul: At a hotel near Central Park. _____ your flat?

Thomas: No, it's quite close actually. _____ tomorrow?

Paul: I have a meeting in the morning and then I'm free.

Thomas: _____ at 1:00 PM at our favourite Italian restaurant?

Paul: Perfect! I'll see you there.

