



IAVANTE English Training Programme

Manolo's Business Trip

Level – Basic

Episode 6: Manolo Sets Off

Lucky

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Man's Best Friend

Barbiturate didn't help me much. I was very lucky after the accident. Somebody discovered me.

Going Home

Well, now I'm going home to my family but I like being here; no children, no neighbours and no bad cooking.

Welcome Home Manolo?

What's that noise? There's a party in my flat. How strange! I don't believe it, it's a party for me.

A Misunderstanding

Hello everybody, I'm home. It's great to be home to be with my lovely family and neighbours again.



Dialogue

Rokale

Don't be silly Manolo, this party isn't for you. The party is for Bert. Bert helped Maria a lot.



Manolo

I don't believe it!

Rokale

He played with the kids, walked Barbiturate in the street, and talked to Maria. You have to thank him.

Manolo

You're joking!

Manolo

Hey Bert, I want to talk to you.

Bert

Hello Manolo. You're here very early. Rest a little until the party finishes.

Manolo

I'm very angry with you, Bert. You were in my house a lot while I was in hospital.

Maria

Don't be rude Manolo. Take Barbiturate out for a walk.

Barbiturate

I don't want to go out. I like this party. I have a new friend.

Manolo

Well, nobody wants me here. I'm going to Scotland.



Dialogue

Everybody

Bye Manolo, have a nice trip.



Thank you Bert

Great. Now, I can go to Scotland. Thank you, Bert.

Taxi to the airport

Taxi! I'm going to buy my air ticket on the Internet.

At the Airport

Here we are at the airport. ¿19.95 euros? Here's 20 euros. Scotland here I come!



Exercise 1: Questions and Answers

1. What hit Manolo?
2. Why was Manolo lucky?
3. Who did Manolo say goodbye to?
4. Where is the party?
5. Who is the party for?
6. Who should Manolo thank?
7. Who is Manolo angry with?
8. Why is he angry?
9. Where does Manolo go to in the taxi?
10. What country is he going to visit?



Exercise 2: Listening

Instructions

Listen to the recording and try to identify the words which are missing from the text.

Make a note of them. In this way you can check your spelling too.

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Man's Best Friend

Barbiturate didn't help me much. I was very lucky after the _____. Somebody discovered me.

Going Home

Well, now I'm going home to my family but I like being here; no children, no _____ and no bad cooking.

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What's that noise? There's a party in my flat. How _____! I don't believe it, it's a party for me.

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Hello everybody, I'm home. It's great to be home to be with my _____ family and neighbours again.

Rokale

Don't be silly Manolo, this party isn't for you. The party is for Bert. Bert _____ Maria a lot.

Manolo

I don't _____ it!

Rokale

He played with the kids, _____ Barbiturate in the street, and _____ to Maria. You have to thank him.

Manolo

You're _____!



Manolo

Hey Bert, I want to _____ to you.

Bert

Hello Manolo. You're here very _____. Rest a little until the party finishes.

Manolo

I'm very angry with you, Bert. You _____ in my house a lot while I was in hospital.

Maria

Don't be _____ Manolo. Take Barbiturate out for a walk.

Barbiturate

I don't want to go _____. I like this party. I have a new friend.

Manolo

Well, _____ wants me here. I'm going to Scotland.

Everybody

Bye Manolo, have a nice _____.

Thank you Bert

Great. Now, I _____ go to Scotland. Thank you, Bert.

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Exercise 3: Language and Grammar

Simple Past – Be

I **was** very lucky

The simple past of the verb 'to be' is formed as follows:

I **was**

You **were**

He/She/It **was**

We **were**

You **were**

They **were**

Remember the verb 'to be' doesn't take the auxiliary verb 'do'. To make a question simply reverse the subject and verb as with the present simple.

Were you at the office?

Was Mary happy on her birthday?

As with the present simple use 'not' or its contracted form 'n't' to form the negative.

I **wasn't** very old

They **weren't** angry

Future - Be Going To

I'm going to leave here today

We use this structure to talk about plans we have made for the future. 'Going to' is preceded by the verb 'to be' and is followed by a verb in the infinitive.

We're going to go to New York for our holiday



Simple Past – Regular Verbs

Bert **helped** Maria a lot

The simple past of regular verbs is formed by adding 'ed' to the end of the infinitive.

He **looked** at the house

I **opened** the door

They **played** with the toys

Simple Past – Negatives and Questions

When forming questions or negative phrases the auxiliary 'did' is used. The verb is in the infinitive.

Did he go to the cinema?

No, he **didn't** go to the cinema

Did they open the presents?

No, they **didn't**



Exercise 5: Quiz

1) What was Manolo hit by?

- a) Lightening
- b) Lighting
- c) Lightning

2) What's the missing word?

Barbiturate didn't help _____.

- a) much
- b) many
- c) a little
- d) a few

3) What are the three things that Manolo likes about being in hospital?

- a) No children
- b) No neighbours
- c) No bad food
- d) No television

4) Who is the party for?

- a) Manolo
- b) Rokale
- c) Bert
- d) Maria

5) Which of the following is correct?

- a) Hey Bert, I want talk to you.
- b) Hey Bert, I want to talk to you.
- c) Hey Bert, I want talking to you.

6) Which of the following is correct?

- a) You were in my house a lot while I was in hospital.
- b) You were in my house much while I was in hospital.
- c) You were in my house many while I was in hospital.



7) Match the two parts of each sentence

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|-----------------|------------------|
| a) I don't want | 1) to go out. |
| b) I like | 2) a new friend. |
| c) I have | 3) this party. |

8) What preposition is missing from the following sentence?
Taxi! I'm going to buy my air ticket _____ the Internet.

9) Is this sentence true or false?

Manolo doesn't want to go to Scotland

10) Which of the following is correct?

- a) Bye Manolo, has a nice trip
- b) Bye Manolo, have a nice trip
- c) Bye Manolo, to have a nice trip



End of Episode 6



Key to exercises

Exercise 1: Questions and Answers

1. Lightning hit Manolo.
2. He was lucky because somebody found him.
3. Manolo said goodbye to the doctors and nurses at the hospital.
4. The party is in Manolo's flat.
5. The party is for Bert.
6. Manolo should thank Bert.
7. Manolo is angry with Bert.
8. He's angry with Bert because Bert spent a lot of time in his flat.
9. Manolo goes to the airport in a taxi.
10. Manolo is going to visit Scotland.

Exercise 2: Listening

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I was very lucky. I was hit by **lightning** but I'm OK. I'm going to leave here today after two **months** in hospital. The nurses, doctors and surgeons were wonderful, I'm very **well** now.

Man's Best Friend

Barbiturate didn't help me much. I was very lucky after the **accident**. Somebody discovered me.

Going Home

Well, now I'm going home to my family but I like being here; no children, no **neighbours** and no bad cooking.

Welcome Home Manolo?

What's that noise? There's a party in my flat. How **strange!** I don't believe it, it's a party for me.

A Misunderstanding

Hello everybody, I'm home. It's great to be home to be with my **lovely** family and neighbours again.

Rokale

Don't be silly Manolo, this party isn't for you. The party is for Bert. Bert **helped** Maria a lot.



Manolo

I don't **believe** it!

Rokale

He played with the kids, **walked** Barbiturate in the street, and **talked** to Maria. You have to thank him.

Manolo

You're **joking**!

Manolo

Hey Bert, I want to **talk** to you.

Bert

Hello Manolo. You're here very **early**. Rest a little until the party finishes.

Manolo

I'm very angry with you, Bert. You **were** in my house a lot while I was in hospital.

Maria

Don't be **rude** Manolo. Take Barbiturate out for a walk.

Barbiturate

I don't want to go **out**. I like this party. I have a new friend.

Manolo

Well, **nobody** wants me here. I'm going to Scotland.

Everybody

Bye Manolo, have a nice **trip**.

Thank you Bert

Great. Now, I **can** go to Scotland. Thank you, Bert.

Taxi to the airport

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Exercise 4: Quiz

- 1) c
- 2) a
- 3) a, b, c
- 4) c



- 5) b
- 6) a
- 7) a-1, b-3, c2
- 8) on
- 9) False
- 10) b