*Lesson 4, 18/10/2013*

***Vocabulary revision***

*In 3 minutes, write down as many types of films as you can remember.*

*What’s the difference between these words?*

1. a director – to direct
2. a star – to star

*Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words above:*

Woody Allen is a famous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. He has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ many comedies about people living in New York. Mia Farrow is his ex-wife. She is also a film \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. She \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in some of Allen’s old films.

***Time***

*Can you explain what these expressions mean?*

* time manager
* (be) on time
* time is money
* take your time
* free time
* perfect timing
* time consuming
* waste of time

Now, complete these sentences with the expressions above

1. If a train, bus or airplane is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, it means that it is not delayed.
2. I don’t use Skype or Facebook, because they are very \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. Busy people often say that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, which means that time is very precious to them.
4. Most women think that watching football on TV is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, but most men do not agree with them.
5. During a job interview, you may be asked if you are a good \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, because the employer wants to know if you will do your job effectively.
6. Last week, my friend and I e-mailed each other at the same moment, although she was in Rumia and I was in San Francisco – it was a good example of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,
7. When you are in a clothes shop, do you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ looking for clothes, or do you grab the first thing from a hanger, try it on, pay and leave the shop as quickly as possible?
8. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the time that you have for yourself, when you don’t have to work or do your other duties.

**The Beginning of Time**

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The Egyptians were the first people who created a twenty-four hour day.  Time was a little bit different in those days.  The night was divided into twelve hours, which were determined by the position of stars in the sky.  The day was divided into ten hours and a shadow clock was used to tell the hours.

   The Egyptians were not the first to invent the shadow clock.  At the same time, the Chinese, Babylonians, Greeks and Romans were using instruments to tell the time, such as sundials.

     The problem with sundials and shadow clocks is obvious... They don't work at night!  Amenophis I, the king of Egypt, wanted to know what time it was all through the night, so, Prince Amenemhet made the king a clepsydra or a water clock.  He took a big bucket, filled it with water, cut a small hole in the bottom of the bucket and marked lines on the bucket at a distance of one hour.

    There were, of course, some problems with this water clock as well.  Water flew more slowly or quickly when the temperature changed.  The next invention was a sand clock. The inventor of the sand clock is unknown but it was popular in ancient times and is still used today.  Sand clocks are often found in board games or are used as kitchen timers.  Is there an hourglass in your home?

     The first mechanical clock was invented in the 14th century, but it was very big and very unreliable. Their mechanism gradually improved and, four centuries later, mass production of mechanical clocks and watches started. In the early 20th century, women started wearing wristwatches, but men preferred pocket watches and no self-respecting man would wear a wristwatch. However, in the First World War, soldiers wore wristwatches because taking out a pocket watch to check the time was difficult or impossible in battle. After the war, wristwatches became socially acceptable and very popular. Half a century later, digital watches were invented.

The most hi-tech invention are atomic clocks, which are only off by one second every 300 million years.

*Homework: Write 5 sentences about one of the above devices used to tell the time.*