# BZG3401 English

# 1. Modulinformationen

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# 2. Verb tenses

## 3. Exercises

## 3.1 Unit 1: Social media

### 3.1.1 Grammar Focus

Match the descriptions of the tenses a-f with the statements 1-6 in the text.

- a) 6 past simple
- b) 1 past continous
- c) 3 present simple
- d) 5 present perfect
- e) 4 present perfect continous
- f) 2 present continous

Look at the tweets (a-d) from Kimball to his followers. Underline all the tenses that refer to the future. Circle the best answer to describe why this form is used in sentences a-d.

- 1. ii
- 2. iii
- 3. i
- 4. iii

## 3.1.2 Grammar Ex. 4

Complete the questions. Change the verb forms if necessary.

- 1. How long have you sold créme brûées?
- 2. What did you do before starting your own business?

- 3. Why did you start the business?
- 4. How did the business get its name?
- 5. What's the biggest challenge (of) running this type of business?
- 6. What advantage does your business have over a traditional restaurant?
- 7. What inspires you to create varied menus?
- 8. What is your advice for anyone starting their own food truck?

## 3.1.3 Grammar Ex. 5

- 1. have never tasted
- 2. were
- 3. am meeting
- 4. I'm going to choose
- 5. I'll go
- 6. I'll see

## 3.1.4 Grammar Ex. 8

- 1. Desk phones and email
- 2. They are crucial for productivity at work
- 3. Instant messaging and social media
- 4. For brainstorming and planing
- 5. For complicated decision making
- 6. Smartphones
- 7. In their free time
- 8. To attract the younger generation

### 3.1.5 Grammar Ex. 9

- 1. true
- 2. false, about 60%
- 3. false, has increased
- 4. true
- 5. false
- 6. true

## 3.1.6 Vocabulary Ex. 2

- 1. Poor language skills lead to inaccurate & incomplete information and miscommunication.
- 2. Takes a lot of time and money.
- 3. Less mobility & job possibilities.
- 4. The lack of language skills and different cultures.
- 5. He ordered that everyone speaks English.
- 6. With financial support.
- 7. Take extra language lessons.

## 3.1.7 Vocabulary Ex. 4 & Ex. 5

	Prefix	Article	More examples
1	in-	efficient, accurate	convenient, direct
2	mono-	lingual	rail, culture
3	un-	likely	happy, comfortable
4	bi-	lingual	monthly, annually
5	dis-	advantage	connect, honest
6	multi-	natiional	racial, tasking
7	mis-	understandings	calculate, use
8	over-	worked	ambitious, confident
9	im-	possible	practical, personal
10	under-	performing	paid, estimate

## 3.1.8 Vocabulary Ex. 6

- 1. underperforming
- 2. uncomfortable
- 3. inconvenient
- 4. overworked
- 5. misunderstood
- 6. multilingual
- 7. biannual
- 8. monocultural
- 9. disadvantage
- 10. impersonal

## 3.1.9 Dialog

1. Hi I'm Evan. Nice to meet you!

- 2. No, it's my first time attending one of these.
- 3. Yeah, it's cool to meet all the people from all over the world.
- 4. I work at the Los Angeles office. So I didn't need to travel a long distance.
- 5. Yes, it's amazing. The weather is almost sunny all year around. How was your journey?
- 6. That's awful!
- 7. Yes, it's an amazing selection. There's lot of foods I haven't even heard of.
- 8. I work in the Sales department
- 9. I don't, who is she?
- 10. I haven't managed to meet anyone from the head office so far.
- 11. Not for very long, just for a month.
- 12. Sure, I'd like to meet her.
- 13. Ok, thank you very much.
- 14. No thanks, I'm fine.
- 15. See you later!

## 3.1.10 Customs and culture

- 1. Roses as a gift is a little bit strange.
- 2. Edinburgh isn't in England. Check your facts!
- 3. Tables aren't for sitting.
- 4. He should be equal to everyone and shake hands with everybody.
- 5. She needs to use a tissue for blowing her nose or go to the bathroom.
- 6. During Ramadan you shouldn't be drinking during the day.

## 3.2 Unit 2: Resources

### 3.2.1 Grammer Ex. 1

- 1. Hectares of land that have been bought.
- 2. For growing crops like vegetables, rice, wheat, lentils, flowers and sugar cane.
- 3. Governments, global agribusinesses, investment banks, hedge funds and other financial institutions.
- 4. The investment costs are very low and unregulated.
- 5. They used to farm, hunt and gather and the land and it's now changing their way of life.

## 3.2.2 Grammer Focus

Match the sentences 1-3 with the tenses a-c.

- 1. b
- 2. c
- 3. a

Find one more example of each verb for min the article in Grammer Ex. 2.

- a.) There has been an increase in demand...
- b.) ... and individuals have been investing...
- c.) ... 60 million hectares of land have been bought...

Complete the rules.

- 1. past, present
- 2. present perfect
- 3. present perfect continuous
- 4. stative
- 5. present perfect passive

### 3.2.3 Grammer Ex. 3

- 1. has been created
- 2. has provided
- 3. have been offering
- 4. reported
- 5. have been highlighting
- 6. has reached
- 7. has found

- 8. announced
- 9. has been put
- 10. hasn't finished
- 11. has been done

### 3.2.4 Work Skills Ex. 1

- 1. It was exceptionally wet and conditions were impossible. Roads were flooaded and bridges were down. The political situation was unstable and they had to avoid certain areas. Finally their local organizer got ill on the second day and needed to be taken to a hospital.
- 2. They lost time and spent a further week finding new filming locations that were safe. In the end they only had one week for filming.
- 3. Jeremy suggests if the filmed material is not enough the company can use archive material from the last year.

### 3.2.5 Work Skills Ex. 2

- a. 4
- b. 5
- c. 1
- d. 2
- e. 3