**TechmasterEnglish**

**Homework 27.11**

1. **Read the text and answer the questions below:**

**The world's friendliest city**

Big cities often have a reputation for being rude, unfriendly places for tourists. Journalist Tim Moore went to four cities, London, Rome, Paris, and New York, to find out if this is true. He went dressed as a foreign tourist and did three tests to see which city had the friendliest and most polite inhabitants.

The three tests were:

#### **1. The photo test**

Tim asked people in the street to take his photo (not just one photo, but several - with his hat, without his hat. etc.). Did he find someone to do it?

#### **2. The shopping test**

Tim bought something in a shop and gave the shop assistant too much money. Did the shop assistant give back the extra money?

#### **3. The accident test**

Tim pretended to fall over in the street. Did anybody come and help him?

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|  | **New York** | **Paris** | **Rome** |
| **The photo test** | I ask an office worker who was eating his sandwiches to take a photo of me. 'Of course I'll take your picture. Again? Sure! Again? No problem. Have a nice day! | I asked some gardeners to take some photos of me in front of the Eiffel Towel. They couldn't stop laughing when they saw my hat. | I asked a very chic woman in sunglasses. She took a photo of me with my hat on, then without my hat. Then with my sunglasses. Then she asked me to take a photo of her! |
| **The shopping test** | I bought and I love New York T-shirt and drinks from two different people. I gave them too much money but they both gave the extra money back. | I bought some fruit in a greengrocer's and gave the man a lot of coins. He carefully took the exact amount. | I bought a copy of The times from a newspaper seller near the railway station. It was three euros. I gave the man four and he didn't give me any change. |
| **The accident test** | I fell over in Central Park. I didn't have to wait more than thirty seconds, 'Oh dear', a man said. 'Is this your camera? I think it's broken.' | I fell over in the Champs Elysees. A minute passed before someone said, 'Are you OK?' And he was Scottish! | When I fell over about eight people immediately hurried to help me. |

1. Which city do you think was the friendliest in the photo test?

I think it was New York.

1. In the shopping test, where didn't he get the right change?

In Rome

1. Where did he buy a souvenir?

In New York

1. In the accident test, where did he wait longest for help?

In Paris

1. In which city were people most helpful?

In Rome

1. **Listen to Tim Moore talking about what happened in London. Complete the text.**

First I did the photo test. I was near Charing Cross station. I stopped a who was walking quite slowly down the road and I said, 'Excuse me, could you take my photo?' The man said: ', no, no  for that,' and just continued walking. Then I asked a  in a grey suit who was walking towards the station. He took  photo, but when I asked him to take another one he  away quickly.

Next, it was the shopping test. I went to a tourist shop in Oxford Street and I bought a  and a . The red bus was very expensive. The total price was  pounds. I gave the man a  pounds - two fifty pound notes. He gave me sixty pounds back.

Finally it was time for the accident test. For this test I went down into the  (the London Underground). As I went down the stairs I fell over and sat on the floor. A man immediately  and looked down at me. I thought he was going to help me but he  - he just said 'Why  you look  you are going?'