

ON THE ROAD

In 1996, David and Kate Grant decided to go to China, but they didn't buy plane tickets. They sold their house in Scotland and bought a gypsy caravan and horse. They took schoolbooks for their children, Fionn (6), Eilidh (8) and Torquil (10) to study as they travelled. They thought they would arrive two years later but in fact, they have just arrived in Beijing (= Pékin). We phoned Kate Grant last week and she told us, " Our friends think we're mad. It's true that we don't have hot water or TV. Sometimes it's difficult to get food, and in Kazakhstan it was -28°C, but we've visited beautiful places and met wonderful people."

On a typical day, Eilidh gets up in the morning, two hours before we leave. / She gives the horse his food. We have breakfast as we travel. / We stop every hour for the horse and we only travel about five hours a day, so he isn't too tired. / When we find a place to stop for the day, we read, walk or play games. / The children do some school work and David writes his diary. / Often people come to meet us and ask what we're doing."

Will the family return to sedentary lives when they come back to Britain? They don't know. " Perhaps we will have some more adventures! " says Mrs Grant.

Source : EASY SPEAKEASY (adapted)

a **gypsy caravan** = une roulotte de bohémien -- a **diary** = un journal intime

TRAVAIL A FAIRE PAR LE CANDIDAT

A Répondez **EN ANGLAIS** aux questions suivantes par des phrases complètes, en justifiant ou en expliquant vos réponses.

- 1 Where did the Grant family live before 1996?
- 2 What's the Grant family composed of?
- 3 What did they decide to do in 1996?
- 4 What do their friends think of this decision?
- 4 Did they decide to go there by plane?
- 6 What did they take schoolbooks for?
- 7 Was the journey (=un voyage) shorter than planned? (to plan = prévoir)
- 8 Was it always a comfortable journey?
- 9 When was the journey particularly interesting and pleasant?
- 10 Have David and Kate decided to stop and come back to Britain?

B Traduisez en français le second paragraphe.
(de ' On a typical day.....' à 'what we're doing.')

C Recopiez les phrases suivantes sur votre copie et complétez-les à l'aide des mots proposés ci-dessous. Chaque proposition ne doit être utilisée qu'une seule fois.

BE ABLE TO	SHOULD	MUST NOT	CAN'T
HAD TO	MUST	CAN	COULD

- 1 I'm sorry but I.....go. My friends are waiting for me.
- 2 You look very tired. You.....take a holiday.
- 3 Passengers..... speak to the driver. it's strictly forbidden.
- 4 I.....speak English really well when I lived in England.
- 5 There's the doorbell. Who.....it be?
- 6 It.....be Janet. She is in Paris today.
- 7 We missed the train and we.....take a taxi.
- 8 When will you.....walk again?

NOTATION

A Réponses en anglais : 10 points, 1 point par réponse cohérente, exempte d'erreurs grammaticales graves.

B Traduction en français : 6 points

Le passage à traduire est divisé en 6 unités indépendantes pour la notation séparées par des barres obliques. 1 point par unité correctement traduite. Pénalisation en fonction de la gravité des erreurs avec un maximum de 1 point par unité.

C Exercice : 4 points, ½ point par réponse correcte.

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