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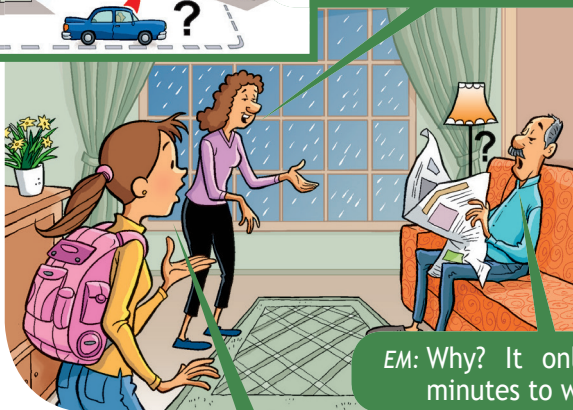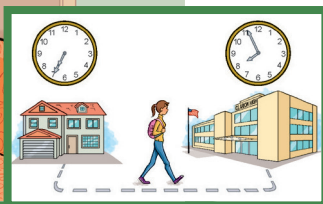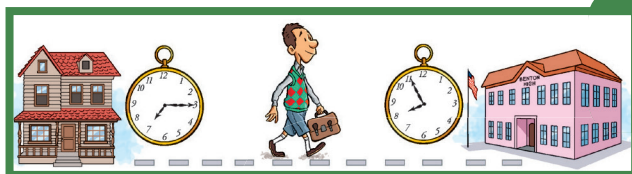
MW: Dad, do you think you might be able to give Jenny a ride to school?

EM: Why? It only takes twenty minutes to walk there, right?

J: But it's raining, Grandpa.

EM: When I was a kid, it used to take me forty minutes to walk to school, and I never complained.

MW: Yeah, but you're making up for it by complaining about everything now.

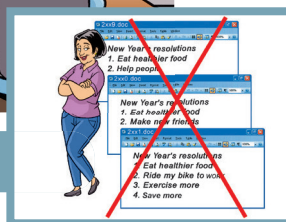MW = middle-aged woman   EM = elderly man   J = Jenny

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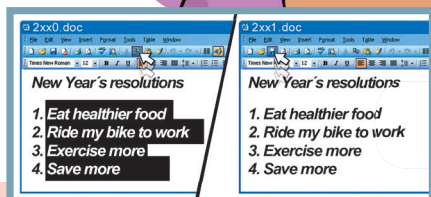
w: My New Year's resolutions are ready.

M: Why bother? You never keep them.

w: Well, I enjoy starting the year off with good intentions. And it only takes me a minute to make my list.

M: How's that?

w: I just copy my last list and save it as a new document.
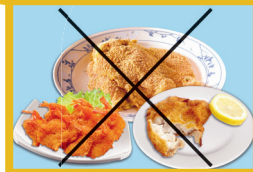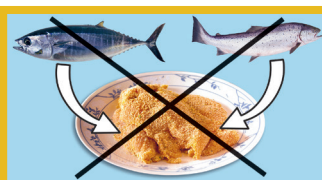
W = woman   M = man

AT A SEAFOOD RESTAURANT

TG: I'm on a diet, so I don't want anything breaded.

WT: I suggest either the grilled tuna or the broiled salmon.

WT: Neither the tuna nor the salmon is breaded, and they're both specialties of the house.

WM: Try the salmon, honey. I'm sure you'll like it.
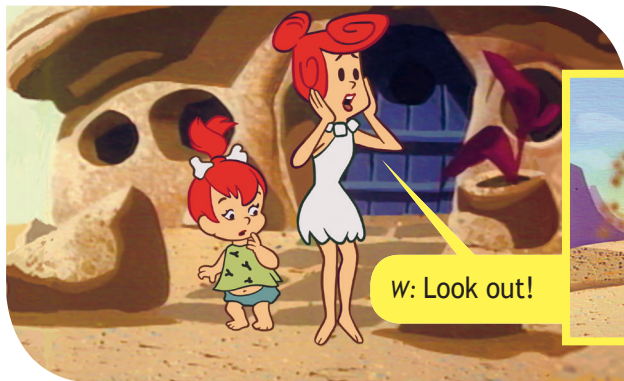
TG = teenage girl   WT = waiter   WM = woman

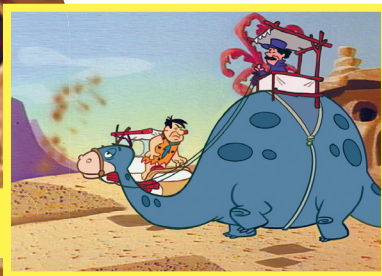*text*

situation 1

AAA (*AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION*)

w: Drive carefully, Fred.

F: Don't worry, Wilma. I'm an expert driver.

w: Look out!

w: Fred, did you get hurt?
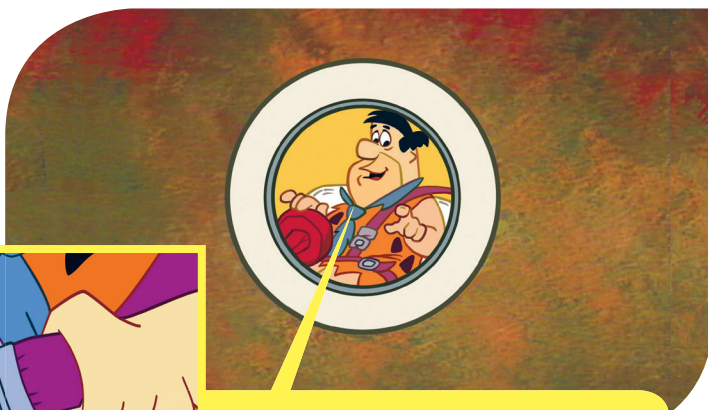
F: No, but I've got a great idea!

W = Wilma   F = Fred

F: These lines and hooks will keep the whole family in place. I think I just invented seat belts.

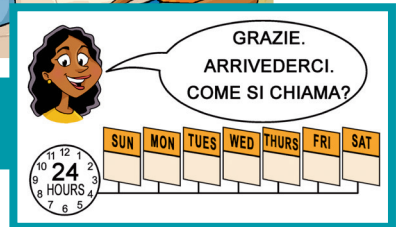W: You're so clever, Fred.

F: Fred buckles up. So should you.

F = Fred   W = Wilma

BACK HOME

GM: What was the hardest thing about living abroad?

GD: Well, speaking a foreign language 24/7 was a challenge.

GRAZIE. ARRIVEDERCI. COME SI CHIAMA?

SUN MON TUES WED THURS FRI SAT

24 HOURS

GD: But being far from family and friends was the worst.

GF: That is tough. We all missed you too.

SUN MON TUES WED THURS FRI SAT

Che figo!
Grazie mille.
Quanto viene?
Che ore sono?

GD: Yeah, but it was worth it. I studied hard, but now I'm fluent in Italian.

GM = grandmother   GD = granddaughter   GF = grandfather