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Zadanie 1.

One

Skyscrapers. Huge buildings made of steel and large amounts of glass. And all this glass has to be cleaned once in a while. That's my job. My name is Andre Horton and for more than two decades I've been a window cleaner. The highest window I've ever cleaned was on the 86th floor of the Empire State Building. Skyscraper window cleaners have to follow some basic rules to help minimize the risks they face. We have a saying, "respect yourself and your equipment, inspect yourself and your equipment and protect yourself and your equipment." For obvious reasons, we are not allowed to use our mobile phones or listen to music while working. Also, we need to pay attention to the wind. We have to get down if the wind is above 25 m.p.h., but even 15 m.p.h. is dangerous. It's a fantastic job, as long as you don't have a fear of heights!

Na podstawie: robinson-solutions.blogspot.com

Two

Many artists today are creating works of art which aim to draw the public's attention to ecological issues. This idea isn't new, however. Over thirty years ago an artist Agnes Denes did something outstanding. She created a two-acre field of wheat on a disused Manhattan garbage dump, just two blocks from Wall Street. Two hundred truckloads of earth were used to make the field. After four months over 1000 pounds of golden wheat were harvested. The wheat was then taken to twenty-eight cities around the world as part of an exhibition called *The International Art Show for the End of World Hunger*. Planting and harvesting a field of wheat on a piece of land worth $4.5 billion was a powerful message which called attention to the mistaken priorities of modern society.

Na podstawie: www.agnesdenesstudio.com

Three

Woman: Mr Stretton, we need to talk about the tiger sculpture.
Man: The tiger sculpture? Remind me where it is.
Woman: On Brisbane Street.
Man: Oh yes. What about it?
Woman: A woman has filed a complaint. She tripped over the tiger's leg and bruised her knees. But it could have been much worse. She wants the sculpture to be removed.
Man: Well, probably she wasn't looking where she was going.
Woman: Actually, she was only trying to avoid being hit by a cyclist. As you know there have been five or six similar incidents since the sculpture was installed, so, perhaps we really do need to move it to another place which is not so busy.
Man: Do you really think so? We regularly get reports about people tripping over on pavements and steps across the city. Do you suggest we remove them as well?
Woman: How about putting the sculpture up onto a platform, like the one in Civic Square?
Man: Well, that might be an idea.

Na podstawie: www.examiner.com

Zadanie 2.

One

After 30 hours of travelling and countless hours of waiting at the airport for connecting flights I was exhausted but happy to be home. All I wanted was to put on my pyjamas and get into my own bed, but when I opened the suitcase my heart sank. I searched through the clothes, and they didn't belong to me! I immediately checked the name on the tag. Not mine! But the suitcase and the ribbon looked exactly the same as mine. I was about to burst into tears when I received a text from a lady in my group. She had already figured out the problem. It turned out we had accidentally picked up each other's suitcases. We swapped them the next day.

Na podstawie: www.quora.com

Two

My colleague and I flew to Mallorca for a 5-day conference at a luxury resort. Our luggage was sent directly there. We got to our room and our luggage was already waiting for us. On the third day of the stay I almost tripped over one of the suitcases, so I asked my roommate, 'Mark, where would you like me to put it?'. 'I don't think it's mine!', Mark replied and opened it to make sure. It turned out that we'd had someone else's suitcase in our room for three days. Its owner was in the same hotel on vacation and he was delighted to have his missing suitcase returned to him!

Na podstawie: www.quora.com

Three

My husband and I flew to Arizona for the weekend and when the luggage started coming out on the belt I thought, "What is that smell?" I tried to ignore it, but when we were rolling the suitcase away the smell followed us. We realized it was coming from our suitcase. It turned out that someone had checked in a huge container full of fish and it had leaked all over the passengers' luggage. It was awful! We immediately made a complaint. We had to get rid of our suitcase right there at the airport. The airline gave us a temporary suitcase, paid for a new one and had all of our clothes cleaned.

Na podstawie: herpackinglist.com

Four

We were returning home from our holiday. About 30 minutes after we had left the terminal, my wife noticed that one of my bags was missing. It contained some important stuff, including my precious photographic equipment. I immediately realized that I hadn't collected it from the baggage reclaim. We rushed back to the airport. After running through the almost deserted terminal, we finally found a helpful staff member who was willing to sort out our problem. After a stressful search we finally recovered the bag.

Na podstawie: herpackinglist.com

Five

Last summer we went on holiday with some friends of ours. When we arrived at our destination, our friends' suitcase was already waiting for them, but our suitcase was nowhere to be seen, so we gave up and went to our hotel. We kept calling the airport every day, but every time we were told that the suitcase hadn't turned up yet. Right at the end of the holiday, the airport staff finally found it. It turned out that our suitcase had fallen off the trolley on the way from the plane to the terminal. No one seemed to have noticed it. We weren't very happy when we collected it just before boarding our plane home, but at least it wasn't damaged.

Na podstawie: www.nzherald.co.nz

Zadanie 3.

Interviewer: The Appalachian Trail, North America's most famous hiking route, stretches over 3,520 kilometres through the Appalachian Mountains, crossing 14 states from Georgia to Maine. About 3 million people hike on sections of the trail each year, but the number of those who walk its whole length from end to end is much smaller. These people are known as "thru-hikers". One of them is with us today. Hello, Audrey.

Audrey: Good morning, everybody.

Interviewer: Audrey, please tell us how you got the idea of doing the trail?

Audrey: Well, I grew up out in the country and hiking was just part of my family culture, but I had never even heard of the Appalachian Trail until I read a book called *A Walk in the Woods* by Bill Bryson. I read it while recovering from a back injury. I've always been a very active person, and that injury immobilised me completely. I was impressed by Bryson's description of attempting to thru-hike the trail. I promised myself that if I was ever well enough to do so, I would take up the challenge. That time came along three years later.

Interviewer: Did you hike the trail alone?

Audrey: Actually, a friend of mine offered to do the hike with me. Once on the trail we met loads of really cool people and I still occasionally keep in touch with them via social media. I vividly remember the guy who did the last four days of the hike with us. To my surprise, when I finally got back home, something extraordinary was waiting for me. It was a huge map of the Appalachian Trail that a fellow thru-hiker had sent me. Now, whenever I look at the map, it reminds me of the hike and the people I met there.

Interviewer: And how did you train for your thru-hike?

Audrey: To be honest, I didn't do any specific training, though once I was on the trail I wished I had. We'd had a really harsh winter before the thru-hike which made it impossible for me to do any serious hiking in the months before doing the trail. So to stay fit, I mainly walked everywhere around town, went swimming, and did yoga. I also enrolled in a marathon to motivate myself to work on my fitness, but I sprained my ankle a few weeks before it took place. For my next thru-hike I will definitely have a real training program at a gym under the supervision of a professional. I'm certain that having someone to motivate me will make me work harder.

Interviewer: And the last question. What should we bear in mind when preparing for a long hike?

Audrey: Train with your backpack. Getting your body used to the extra weight beforehand will help you immensely. Also, buy the lightest gear you can afford. You'll need a lot of equipment along the way, so the lighter, the better.

Na podstawie: rainorganica.com; theconversation.com