

## **DOMANDE ESTRATTE IDONEITA' LINGUA INGLESE**

1. My name is Georgina, but I'm called "Georgie" by my friends. I live near York, in the north-east of England. I'm a dental nurse. I work for a young Australian dentist. He's very nice and he's a very good dentist, but I don't like my job very much.
2. My sister is called Rosie. She's married with two children, a girl and a boy, and lives in a house near London, in a town called Enfield. She's a teacher. She teaches in a big school in the north of London. She likes her job very much. My brother's name is Andrew. He doesn't have a job. He's unemployed.
3. In Britain, banks open at nine thirty and close at three thirty. They open five days a week. Most shops open at nine o'clock and close at five thirty or six in the evening. Some shops in small towns close early one day a week. In London, many shops are open until seven or eight o'clock one night a week. This is called "late night shopping".
4. On Sundays we get up early. We don't have a big breakfast, only coffee and bread and butter. Then we go to church. After Church we all go to Chapultepec Park. This is a big, beautiful park in the centre of the city. First we go boating on the lake. Then we sit under the trees and have our picnic lunch. The children fly their kites. I always sleep after lunch on Sundays!
5. I remember I was about 19. I went to a dance at the village hall. I went with my best friend, Marjorie. Marjorie was very pretty and all the boys liked her. They all wanted to dance with her. I didn't enjoy dances much. I was always very shy. I sat at the table in the corner of the dance hall. No one asked me to dance. After about an hour, Marjorie came up to me and said "Go and ask one of the boy to dance! You can't just sit there!".
6. My name is Sylvana Scarlatti and I'm 21 years old. I'm Italian and I'm from Milan. I've studied English for five years and I'm taking the Cambridge First Certificate examination in June this year. I'm studying English at the moment at the Tower School of English in London. I've been here for four months. I also speak French and a little German. I've had some experience with children before.
7. Maria Montessori (1870-1952) was a teacher. She ran a special school for backward children in Rome. She helped these children to learn to read, write and count. By the age of six, or sometimes younger. Through her books, *The Montessori method* (for older children) she has changed the teaching of young children all over the world.
8. In 1926 Margaret Mitchell, a journalist and housewife from Atlanta, Georgia, started to write a book. She finished it ten years later. It was called *Gone with the wind*. It became the most popular American novel of all time. It's a long, romantic and exciting novel. It is about a beautiful young woman, Scarlett O'Hara and twelve years in her life just before, during and after the American Civil War (1826-64). In the book Scarlett marries Rhett Butler, the tall, dark and handsome hero, but she doesn't love him. All the time she loves someone else. But the man she loves is married.
9. David O. Selznick, Hollywood film producer, decided to make a film of *Gone with the wind*. He chose a famous film star of the time, Clark Gable, for the part of Rhett Butler, but he could not find anyone for the part of Scarlett. He searched and searched for two and a half

years. No one was quite right. In the end, there was no more time. Plans for the film were ready.

10. Louis Armstrong (1900-1971) was a trumpeter and a singer. For half his life he was billed as “The World’s Greatest Trumpeter”. His influence on jazz was greater than any other musician. The man that called “Satchmo” spent his early life in New Orleans, and as a child sang in the street for money. Some of his most famous songs were “*Hello Dolly*”, “*Mack the Knife*”, and “*When the Saints Go Marching In*”.
11. Dear Diana, I’m writing this on Copacabana beach. The children are swimming and Robert is learning to surf. The weather is very hot! Tomorrow morning we’re going up the Sugarloaf Mountain and in the afternoon I’m going shopping. I need some new summer dresses. After two weeks here, I’m size 14! Rio de Janeiro is marvellous.