

Easy English Times

Learning Activities
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ANSWER KEY

I. A quick look at the contents--find the answers.

1. A special naturalization ceremony was held at Rosie the Riveter / WORLD WAR II Home Front National Historical Park in Richmond, California. (p. 1)
2. A fitness court is an outdoor space with special places TO DO exercises. (p. 3)
3. Where are Laura Espino and her mother, Silvia Ramos, from? ARGENTINA (p. 4)
4. What are the first three words of the Constitution? WE THE PEOPLE (p. 4)
5. In what year did women in this country get the right to vote? 1920 (p. 5)
6. A mermaid is a legendary aquatic creature with the upper body of a FEMALE HUMAN and the TAIL of a FISH. (p. 6)
7. Manatees are sometimes called "SEA COWS." (p. 6)
8. Where is the statue of the Little Mermaid? COPENHAGEN, DENMARK (p. 7)
9. A MAYOR is the elected head of a city or town. (p. 7)
10. Where will the Masters Golf Tournament be held? APRIL 8 When will the finals be? AUGUSTA, GEORGIA (p. 8)

II. Vocabulary quiz: Match the definitions to the phrases on the left.

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| <u> </u> b | 1. The police turned a blind eye to the violence. | a. happened suddenly |
| <u> </u> c | 2. The music gave her goose bumps . | b. avoided seeing something, overlooked |
| <u> </u> a | 3. A big storm came up . | c. made her feel excited |

III. More careful reading--find these answers:

A. From "Special setting for citizenship ceremony" (pages 1 and 4)

1. Christine Lehnertz told those attending the ceremony that the national parks have been set aside FOR THE PEOPLE
2. Carolyn Muzyka said that our differences and different BACKGROUNDS make America stronger.

B. From "DVD review: Iron Jawed Angels." (page 5)

1. When did Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton introduce the amendment to give women the vote? 1878
2. One of the tactics of the National Women's Party was to PICKET the gates of the White House every day from DAWN to DUSK.

C. From "Mermaids swim in Florida" (page 6)

1. Who wrote the popular fairy tale, "The Little Mermaid?" HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSON
2. Mermaids are associated with the sirens of GREEK MYTHOLOGY.

D. From "Local government" (page 7)

1. Most often, a mayor is described as the CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER of the city or town.
2. Mayors are responsible for the city's BUDGET. This is the plan of expected income and expenses.

IV. What is your favorite photograph in the April issue of Easy English Times? Why?

stories about soccer or other sports, your citizenship experiences, your job, your life, or your city.

Crossword puzzle answers - Across: 3. fainted 4. ranger 6. waves 8. core 9. struggle
11. thrown 12. gentle **Down:** 1. nagging 2. breeze 3. foam 5. riot 7. springs 9. spoiled
10. lure