

# Easy English Times

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Learning Activities

## ANSWER KEY

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

1. People who are in the **PATH** of the eclipse will experience the **DARKNESS** of a total eclipse. (p. 1)
2. President Trump awarded the **MEDAL OF HONOR** to Specialist Five James C. McCloughan. (p. 1)
3. What is the category of the projected fastest-growing occupation? **WIND TURBINE SERVICE TECHNICIAN** (p. 1)
4. Rex Tillerson has been the CEO of **EXXON MOBIL**. (p. 2)
5. What should you do first if you want to meet a new dog? **ASK THE OWNER IF IT IS OKAY**. (p. 3)
6. The new series about the Vietnam War will be broadcast on **PBS CHANNELS** starting **SEPT. 17**. (p. 4)
7. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial is sometimes referred to as "**THE WALL**." (p. 4)
8. Princess Diana was married to **PRINCE CHARLES**, the heir to the **BRITISH THRONE**. (p. 7)
9. Elvis Presley died at his home in **MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE**. His home is called **GRACELAND**. (p. 7)
10. Two important boxing matches are **MAYWEATHER vs. McGREGOR** and **GOLOVKIN vs. ALVAREZ**. (p. 7)

### II. Vocabulary quiz: Match the definitions to the two and three-word phrases on the left.

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| <u>c</u> 1. She is <b>used to</b> walking on sidewalks....                              | a. gathered or assembled socially          |
| <u>a</u> 2. Whenever they <b>got together</b> , they argued....                         | b. alternated                              |
| <u>d</u> 3. They often follow celebrities as they <b>go about</b> their life routines.. | c. accustomed to                           |
| <u>b</u> 4. We <b>took turns</b> fixing dinner.   | d. begin or carry on work at (an activity) |

### III. More careful reading--find these answers:

#### A. From "Solar eclipse visible in the USA on August 21" (pages 1 and 8)

1. Looking directly at the sun is **EXTREMELY DANGEROUS**. You can damage the **RETINA** of your eye.
2. The sun has a diameter that is about 400 times larger than the **MOON**.
3. And the sun is 400 times farther away than the **MOON**.

#### B. From "City dog, country dog" (page 3)

1. When Claudia saw Marlee in an animal shelter ad it was "**LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT**."
2. Chihuahuas are **SMALL**, **SMART** dogs and well **SUITED** for city and apartment living.
3. Herding dogs are often difficult to keep in certain homes because of their high **ENERGY**, intelligence and **SENSITIVITY**.

#### C. From "New series about the Vietnam War will be on TV in September" (page 4)

1. The series was directed by **KEN BURNS** and **LYNN NOVICK**.
2. The series features **TESTIMONY** from nearly 80 **WITNESSES**.
3. There are also interviews with Vietnamese **COMBATANTS** and **CIVILIANS** from both the **WINNING** and **LOSING** sides.

### Crossword puzzle answers

**Across:** 1. regard 2. tie 3. shipping 4. belly 7. opposed 11. crashed 13. approach 14. aware

**Down:** 5. improvised 6. nests 8. allies 9. still 10. argued 12. relevant