

Easy English Times

ANSWER KEY

March 2016 Learning Activities

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

1. Chief Justice Roberts made a statement about Scalia's death ON BEHALF OF the court. (p. 1)
2. President Obama will be the first American president to visit Cuba since Coolidge went in 1928. (p. 1)
3. The Zika virus is spread primarily through the bite of an infected Aedes species MOSQUITO. (p. 1)
4. Pope Francis urged his listeners to make Mexico "a land of OPPORTUNITIES." (p. 2)
5. Scientists have observed ripples in the gravitational field in SPACE. (p. 2)
6. Albert Einstein's greatest brainchild is the THEORY OF RELATIVITY. (p. 2)
7. The late Jaime Escalante is being honored with a POSTAGE STAMP this year. (p. 2)
8. The bald eagle became the NATIONAL EMBLEM in 1782. (p. 3)
9. One of Chavez' famous quotes is "Sí SE PUEDE (YES YOU CAN) !" (p. 3)
10. Ireland is called the EMERALD AISLE so some people wear GREEN on March 17. (p. 8)

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

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| __c__ 1. He is about to inherit property. | a. go faster |
| __d__ 2. When Eilis gets back to Ireland.... | b. and also |
| __b__ 3. ...you will lose the money as well as your friend. | c. close to doing something |
| __e__ 4. How do you keep in touch with your friends? | d. returns |
| __a__ 5. Let's get a move on . | e. in contact |

III. More careful reading--find these answers:

A. From "Associate Justice Antonin Scalia dies" (pages 1 and 5)

1. Scalia took his seat on the court on September 26, 1986. He was the longest serving of the NINE members of the court.
2. With Scalia gone, the court now consists of four CONSERVATIVES and four LIBERALS.

B. From "More Zika cases are reported" (pages 1 and 6)

1. Babies born with the birth defect sometimes have brains that aren't fully DEVELOPED.
2. Until more is known, the CDC recommends special PRECAUTIONS for pregnant women who are traveling to areas of Zika activity.

C. From "March 31 is César Chávez Day" (page 3)

1. César Chávez Day celebrates the BIRTH and LEGACY of the civil rights activist.
2. Chávez and Huerta needed a symbol for the MARCHES being planned.

D. From "DVD review, Brooklyn" (page 5)

1. Eilis comes to the city of Brooklyn, New York to find A BETTER LIFE.
2. Eilis has the address of a BOARDING HOUSE where she can live.

Crossword puzzle answers

Across: 2. saddened 5. spread 6. issue 9. rash 2. thoughtful 13. banner 15. voyage
16. content

Down: 1. Dealers 3. acquaintances 4. faithful 7. shy 8. bachelor 9. rarely
10. homesick 11. property 14. pals