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Sample Question and Answer Lesson
Listen and Answer

Hello! This is Lisa with English Fluency Now. I wanted to record this Question and Answer lesson to give you another example of one of the methods that I like to use to help English learners begin to speak easily and with confidence. The purpose of the Question and Answer lesson is to help you speak English automatically.

I will tell the story one statement at a time. I will say the sentence, then I will ask several types of questions. Your job is to answer, as quickly as you can. Don't worry about making mistakes, just go with it. Do the best you can. It will get easier as you practice. Listen to the lesson over and over until you can answer quickly, without thinking. The more you do this, the easier it will become for you to speak English easily, without translating in your head.

Here we go!

Statement: There was a young man from Mexico.

Question: Was there a man?

Answer: Yes, there was a man.

Was there a woman?

No, there wasn't a woman. There was a man.

Was the man old?

No, he wasn't old.

Was he young?

Yes, he was young.

Where was he from?

Mexico. He was from Mexico.

What was the man's name?

(When I ask a question and you don't know the answer, because I haven't said anything about it yet, you can just guess.)



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So you could guess: Jorge, David, Miguel

(Then I would choose.)

No, the man's name was Juan.

What was the man's name?

Juan, his name was Juan.

Juan wanted to go to the United States.

Did Juan want to go to Hungary?

No, he didn't want to go to Hungary.

Where did he want to go?

The United States. He wanted to go to the United States.

He wanted to play baseball for the New York Yankees.

Did he want to play football?

No, he didn't want to play football.

Did he want to play basketball?

No, he didn't want to play basketball.

What sport did he want to play?

Baseball. He wanted to play baseball.

For what team did he want to play?

The New York Yankees. He wanted to play baseball for the NY Yankees.

Juan was an excellent pitcher.



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Was he a catcher?

No, he wasn't a catcher.

Did Juan play first base? Was he a first baseman?

No, he wasn't a first baseman.

What position did he play?

Pitcher. He pitched.

Yesterday, he flew to New York to try out for the team.

Did he fly to San Francisco?

No, he didn't fly to San Francisco.

How did he get to New York?

He flew. He flew to New York.

Why did he go to New York?

He went to New York to try out for the team.

Did he fly to New York last weekend?

No, he didn't fly to New York last weekend.

When did he fly to New York?

Yesterday. He flew to New York yesterday.

When he got to Yankee Stadium, he got really nervous. He started freaking out.

What happened to Juan when he arrived at Yankee Stadium?

He got really nervous. He started freaking out.



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What did he do?

Guesses: He threw up... He passed out... He ran back to the hotel...

Yes, that's right. He got so nervous that he ran all the way back to his hotel.

Where did he go?

Back to the hotel. He ran back to the hotel.

When he got there, his mom scolded him and told him he had to go back to the Stadium, but he started to cry.

Did his father scold him?

No, not his father. His mother scolded him.

Who told him that he had to go back to the Stadium?

His mother.

What did Juan start to do?

He started to cry.

Juan's mother took him by the hand and dragged him back to the Stadium.

Who dragged Juan back to the Stadium?

His mother.

Why did she drag him back to the Stadium?

So he could try out for the team.

When he got there, the manager talked to his mother and agreed to let him try out.

Did he tell Juan to go home?

No, he didn't tell him to go home.



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Who said that he could try out?

The manager. The manager said he could try out.

When Juan started pitching, everybody's jaws dropped, in shock; they couldn't believe how good he was.

Did they think that Juan wasn't very good?

No, they didn't think that.

What happened when Juan started pitching?

Everybody was in shock and their jaws dropped.

Why were they so shocked?

Because they couldn't believe how good he was.

Juan's mother just smiled, proud of her son, even though he was still a mama's boy.

Who was proud of Juan?

His mother. His mother was proud of him.

Was Juan a mama's boy?

Yes, he was.

That afternoon, the NY Yankees offered Juan a position on their team, with a starting salary of \$1 million per year.

Did they tell Juan that he couldn't play for the team?

No, they didn't tell him that.

Did they send him back to Mexico?

No, they didn't send him back to Mexico.



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Did Juan get the job as pitcher for the team?

Yes, he did.

How much money was he going to make?

\$1 million per year. He was going to make \$1 million per year.

Juan's mother was very happy, but she asked the manager for \$2 million, since she would have to stick around to make sure her son got to the games.

How much money did Juan's mother want?

She wanted \$2 million.

Why did she ask for this much money?

Because she wanted to get paid for bringing her son to the games.

Why was she going to live in the U.S., too?

Because she was going to have to stick around to make sure her son got to the games.

The manager, quite taken by Juan's powerful and beautiful mother, offered \$2 million, and asked her out to dinner that evening.

What did the manager think of Juan's mother?

He thought she was very powerful and beautiful.

Did he like her?

Yes, he did. He was quite taken with her.

Did he deny them the \$2 million?

No, he didn't deny them the \$2 million.



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Did he agree to it?

Yes, he did. He agreed to give them \$2 million.

Then what happened?

The manager asked Juan's mother to go out to dinner with him.

What did she say - yes or no?

That's right. She said yes.

Two weeks later they got married, and the manager became Juan's new step-dad.

Who got married?

The manager married Juan's mother.

Who became Juan's new step-dad?

The manager. The manager became Juan's new step-dad.

That year, the Yankees won the World Series and Juan became the first Mexican baseball player to pitch five shutouts in one season.

Did the Boston Red Sox win the World Series?

No, not the Boston Red Sox.

Did the L.A. Dodgers win the World Series?

No, not the L.A. Dodgers.

Who won the World Series?

The Yankees. The Yankees won the World Series.

What did Juan do?

He became the first Mexican baseball player to pitch 5 shutouts in one season.



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As you can see, in the Question and Answer lesson, you get many repetitions of the words, so the new vocabulary and phrases begin to stick in your mind.

Since it is a simple story, and somewhat silly, you can understand it, and so when I ask the questions, it becomes easier for you to answer automatically, without thinking.

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Thanks a lot!

~ Lisa