

# Extreme Adjectives Quizz

<i>Question</i>	<i>Answer</i>
A. When it is very old it's ..	ANCIENT
B. extremely hot	BOILING
C. when st. is more than serious	CRITICAL
D. very tasty	DELICIOUS
E. very long	ENDLESS
F. horribly dirty	FILTHY
G. really pretty or pleasant	GORGEOUS
H. more than funny	HILARIOUS
L. beyond furious or extremely angry	LIVID
M. very unhappy	MISERABLE
R. so hungry you could eat a horse	RAVENOUS
S. extremely impressive	SPLENDID
T. smaller than small	TINY
U. memorable	UNFORGETTABLE
V. extremely large	VAST
W. very strange	WEIRD



## RHYMING WORDS

- make 12 groups, put 3 rhyming words in each group

MY    THERE    YACHT    SHOE    BED    GOOD    WHY

HOT    BEER    HEAD    BLUE    SHOULD    FATE    GO

WAIT    START    FEET    HERE    HEART    HIGH    WOOD

WHAT HEARD    HAIR    SAID    SHOW    SWEAR    BIRD

SEAT    LOW    WORD    WHEAT    NEAR    EIGHT    TRUE

PART



# **JOBS – discussion / debate**

Think of at least 2 jobs which

- *no longer exist*
- *you would really hate to do*
- *can be done from home*
- *are overpaid*
- *have low salaries but high prestige*
- *children typically want to*
- *can be done by robots*
- *will be needed in the future*
- *require very long training*



## Warmer activity – role play

- This helps students loosen up, it acts as a warmer and helps them to shed inhibitions. Students do not feel stressed as everyone is miming or acting a role
- The teacher reads out actions, slowly, one by one. Students listen carefully and mime as instructed. Some actions are individual actions, others relate to the other members of the group.

- ❖ *You are an angry car driver*
- ❖ *You've just won a lottery*
- ❖ *You're freezing and have no jacket*
- ❖ *You're walking through mud*
- ❖ *You're feeling very tired*
- ❖ *You're trying to get out of bed*
- ❖ *You're begging for money*
- ❖ *You don't want to be seen*
- ❖ *You're talking to someone who has bad breath*
- ❖ *You're lifting a heavy suitcase*
- ❖ *You've lost your voice*
- ❖ *You're buying new sunglasses*
- ❖ *You've just seen someone famous*
- ❖ *Pretend to blow up a balloon and then pop it*
- ❖ *Pretend to get into a car and then drive it*



## At the seaside

### Reading + comprehension check

1. Work in small groups, discuss the following questions:

*Have you ever been at the seaside? When was the last time you spent a day on a beach?*

*What words and images do you associate with the word BEACH?*

2. List all the things that might spoil a typical day at the seaside.
3. Read the article by Bill Bryson. Does he mention any of the things you listed?

Every year, about this time, my wife wakes me up with a playful slap and says, 'I've got an idea. Let's drive for three hours to the ocean, take off most of our clothes and sit on some sand for a whole day.'

'What for?' I will say warily.  
'It will be fun,' she will insist.  
'I don't think so,' I will reply. 'People find it disturbing when I take my shirt off in public. I find it disturbing.'

'No, it will be great. We'll get sand in our hair. We'll get sand in our shoes. We'll get sand in our sandwiches and then in our mouths. We'll get sunburned and windburned. And when we get tired of sitting, we can have a paddle in water so cold it actually hurts. At the end of the day, we'll set off at the same time as 37,000 other people and get in such a traffic jam that we won't get home till midnight. I can make interesting observations about your driving skills, and the children can pass the time sticking each other with sharp objects. It will be such fun.'

The tragic thing is that because my wife is English, and therefore beyond the reach of reason where saltwater is concerned, she really will think it's fun. Frankly, I have never understood the British attachment to the seaside.

So when, last weekend, my wife suggested that we take a drive to the sea, I put my foot down and said, 'Never – absolutely not,' which is of course why we ended up, three hours later, at Kennebunk Beach in Maine.

On arrival, our youngest – I'll call him Jimmy in case he should one day become a lawyer – surveyed the scene and said, 'OK, Dad, here's the situation. I need an ice cream, a Li-Lo, a deluxe bucket and spade set, a hot dog, some candy floss, an inflatable dinghy, scuba equipment, my own water slide,

a cheese pizza with extra cheese and a toilet.'

'They don't have those things here, Jimmy,' I chuckled.

'I really need the toilet.'

I reported this to my wife.

'Then you'll have to take him to Kennebunkport,' she said serenely from beneath a preposterous sun hat.

By the time we found a toilet, little Jimmy didn't need to go any more, so we returned to the beach. By the time we got there, some hours later, I discovered that everyone had gone off for a swim, and there was only one half-eaten sandwich left. I sat on a towel and nibbled at the sandwich.

'Oh look, Mummy,' said number two daughter gaily when they emerged from the surf a few minutes later. 'Daddy's eating the sandwich the dog had.'

'Tell me this isn't happening,' I began to whimper.

'Don't worry, dear,' my wife said soothingly, 'it was an Irish setter. They're very clean.'

I don't remember much after that. I just had a little nap and woke to find that Jimmy was burying me up to my chest in sand – which was fine, except that he had started at my head – and I managed to get so sunburned that a dermatologist invited me to a convention in Cleveland the following week as an exhibit.

We lost the car keys for two hours, the Irish setter came back and stole one of the beach towels, then nipped me on the hand for eating his sandwich and number two daughter got tar in her hair. It was a typical day at the seaside, in other words.

'Lovely,' said my wife. 'We must do that again soon.'

And the heartbreaking thing is she really meant it.

### Bill Bryson

Bill Bryson was born in America but lived for many years in England. He's the best-selling author of many humorous travel books.



4. Look at the text again and decide which of the following statements are **true** and which are **false**. Compare your answers with a partner.

- a) *The author enjoys the prospect of a day on the beach.*
- b) *The author is very proud of his body.*
- c) *The author fell asleep for a little while.*
- d) *The author doesn't get sunburn.*
- e) *His wife says that Irish setters are very clean.*
- f) *His wife is looking forward to a day on the beach.*
- g) *The author's youngest child is very demanding.*
- h) *He's called Jimmy.*
- i) *He needed to go to the toilet.*

