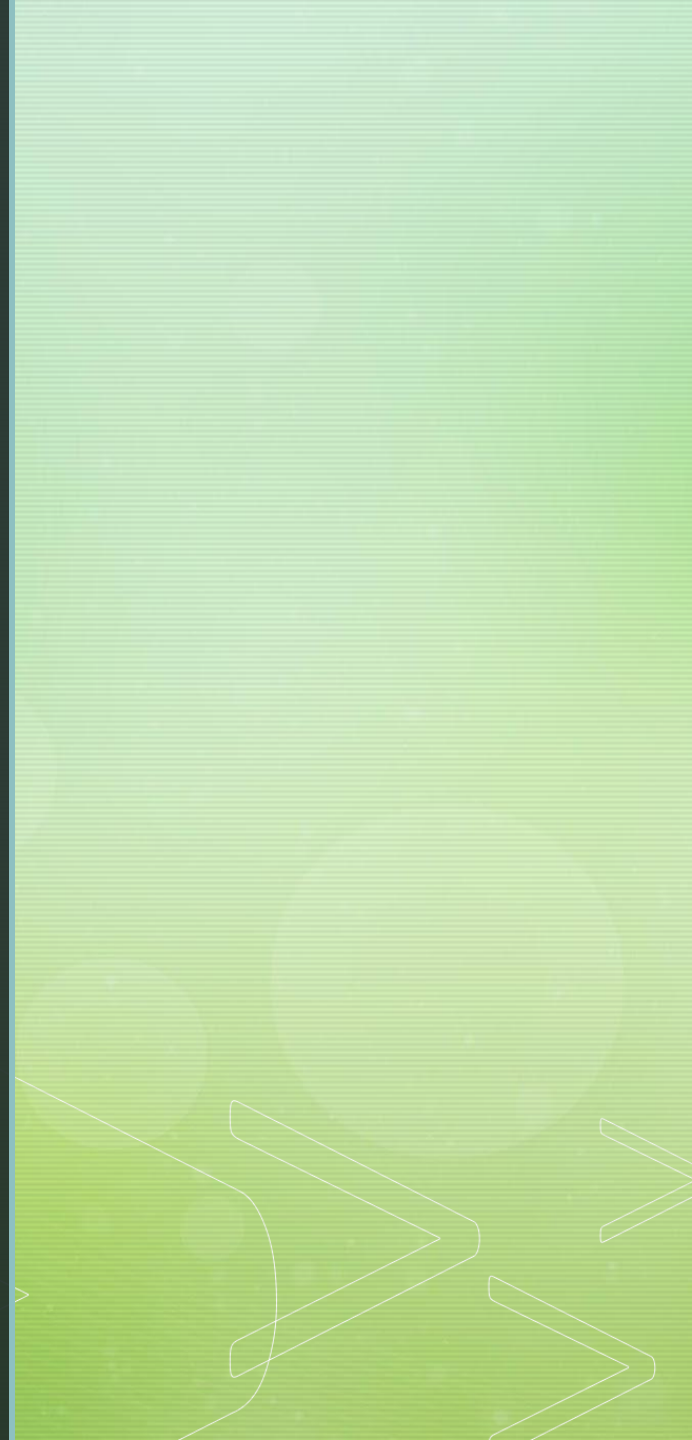


Reading

Focus 1



Hello!

Toilet paper
game



Crocodile



Focus time

- Ex 2
- Ex 3



It's time to read! Ex 4

Resource 2

A day in the life of an at-home dad 1.4 Reading (family and everyday life)

work fathers wife morning breakfast hours families
children home evening bed money day time mum

It's eight o'clock in the ¹ _____. Tom Martin's wife gets up and gets ready for work. Tom stays at ² _____ with his kids, Billy, aged two years, and Eve, aged two months.

About 1.4 million ³ _____ in the UK stay at home to look after their children. Tom, thirty-eight, is one of them. His wife Carol works for a construction company. After two years at home with their babies, she's happy to be back at work.

Tom, Billy and Eve have ⁴ _____ together. Then they look at picture books or Tom and Billy play ball in the park. Every ⁵ _____ at 11.00, Tom takes Billy to playgroup for two ⁶ _____. Then he goes back home with Eve and works for an hour or two when the baby sleeps. Tom's a programmer, so it is easy to work at home.

Sharon Rivers, the playgroup teacher, says, 'This situation is quite normal these days. In some families the ⁷ _____ looks after the children but in many ⁸ _____, it's the dad. Some fathers want to stay at home and look after their ⁹ _____; some fathers stay at home because their ¹⁰ _____ earns more money. The important thing is that they all love their children.'

When Carol comes home from ¹¹ _____, Tom goes out for a game of tennis. In the ¹² _____, the family have dinner together. Billy and Eve go to ¹³ _____ at eight and then Carol and Tom can relax together and talk about their day.

So, what is Tom's advice to young fathers? 'We have about fifty years to work and make ¹⁴ _____, but only a few years to watch our babies grow. Don't miss this important ¹⁵ _____.'

▶ Noun, verb, adjective competition

TEAM 1	TEAM 2

EX 6

She has a good job and	earns a lot of money.
I can't go out tonight	because I have to look after my baby brother.
Children grow	very fast in the first years.
Can you give me advice	about what to see in London?
5 It's the last episode of Sherlock Holmes tonight and	I don't want to miss it!
My mum is a programmer	in an international company
In my family, a normal	weekday starts at 7 a.m.
My older sister loves small children and she works as	A play group teacher

