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INTERVIEW WITH AN ENGLISH TEACHER

Watch an interview with a teacher about English teaching and learning. For questions 1 to 8, choose the correct answer.

1. Sarah likes teaching English when ...
   a. she has very good students.
   b. she sees how her students start speaking better.
   c. she speaks English.

2. Sarah thinks that ...
   a. reading is the best way to learn.
   b. speaking is the best way to learn.
   c. most students don't like to read.

3. Sarah's ideal student is someone who ...
   a. isn't very motivated at the beginning.
   b. needs English for their job.
   c. really wants to learn.

4. Sarah says that the worst student is someone who...
   a. doesn't pay attention.
   b. is not interested in learning.
   c. doesn't go to all the lessons.

5. Sarah ...
   a. really likes languages.
   b. teaches different languages.
   c. teaches in a very nice school.

6. Sarah ...
   a. comes from an English family.
   b. considers herself a native English speaker.
   c. was born in England.

7. The way Sarah learned most English was...
   a. by reading a lot.
   b. by speaking with native friends.
   c. by studying lists of words.

8. Sarah says that she ...
   a. speaks British English.
   b. speaks a more American English.
   c. loves American English.

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TRANSCRIPTION

I like teaching because I really love it when my students don't start out speaking really good English, but then after a while, when I teach them more stuff, I really like them to see them start to speak. They get braver, and it's really nice.

I think the best way to study English is through reading. I read a lot when I was younger and some people say that they don't like to read, but it's my favourite thing, and I learned..., you learn a lot of words that way.

It would be someone who really wants to learn English. I think a lot of people think that through their job or their boss they just have to learn it, but they are not really that motivated. I would definitely say someone who enjoys the language; maybe they even like British and American culture. That kind of person is my ideal student.

The worst student... It's hard to say. I haven't had a lot of bad students so far, but maybe someone who is really uninspired. When you can feel that they don't want to be there; they don't really want to learn English. Someone else forced them to learn English. You don't really want to teach someone like that.

Yeah, I do. I think it's very nice. I love languages, so teaching English is one of the things I like the most.

I classify myself as a native English speaker, but technically I was born in Sweden.

I learned English through reading. That's why I said that I think it's the best way to learn. I read all the time, and I love English. I would learn difficult words. I read Bram Stoker's "Dracula", for example, when I was very young. And when I didn't understand something, I'd look up the words. So, that's how I learned the most. And I spoke to a lot of British and American friends, so I practiced that a lot.

I actually prefer British, but I tend to use a more Americanised kind of English. Because it's easier for me to use, for some reason. But British sounds the best, I think.

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ANSWER KEY

1. b.
2. a.
3. c.
4. b.
5. a.
6. b.
7. a.
8. b.

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