

Key FP Sprachbeherrschung:

**I. Fill in the blanks: Myths of Weight Loss Are Plentiful, Researcher Say**

- (1) would lose
- (2) would never have got(ten)
- (3) had just breast-fed
- (4) should definitely steer clear
- (5) could lose
- (6) directs
- (7) fell for
- (8) is trying
- (9) lay out
- (10) go
- (11) doesn't work
- (11) has become
- (12) can think
- (13) tried
- (14) comes
- (15) spin
- (16) has been seeking
- (17) would help (?)
- (18) existed
- (19) is
- (20) were waiting

**II. Sentence Comparison**

- 1.a. past tense simple; causative have; someone stole Susie's bike, we don't know who
- 1.b. past perfect tense simple; indefinite past in the past; something happened at an indefinite point in the past before a reference point in the past
- 2.a. past tense simple; sequence of events in the past; first I asked the question, and in response to that question he made a speech
- 2.b. past tense progressive; temporal frame; he was just talking (incomplete action in progress), and suddenly I interrupted him in order to ask a question
- 3.a. present perfect tense simple; state up to the present; the implication is that I'm still ill
- 3.b. past tense simple; unitary past; the event is over, I'm not ill anymore
- 4.a. present tense progressive; action in progress; at this particular moment; neutral
- 4.b. present tense progressive; signalling annoyance at this habit; expressed by the use of the progressive aspect; action not necessarily in progress at the moment of speaking
- 5.a. past perfect tense simple; unreal (unfulfilled) condition in the past; => implication: we've caught the train, because he did give us a lift
- 5.b. past progressive; unreal condition in the present; John is giving us a lift right now, so we will catch the train

6.a. Inversion triggered by sentence initial adverbial of place, stands: present tense simple; state use for stable state of affairs (unchanging)

6.b. present tense progressive; temporary situation, subject to change => sculpture does not always stand here, is likely to be moved somewhere else at some point

### III. Error Correction

1. It's high time you went
2. I was out
3. No sooner ... than
4. Correct
5. Carol promised never to tell anyone. / that she would never tell anyone
6. as soon as we have received
7. acts as if she was
8. without whom **or** semicolon (;) instead of comma
9. we would have spent more time together
10. My daughter will have been living in England ...
11. when the car backfired
12. which
13. What do you think...
14. He should have arrived by now!

### IV. Sentence Transformation

1. Hardly had I finished cleaning the windows when it started to rain.
2. Sorry I haven't fixed the tap. I would have done it had I found the time.
3. Little did we realise how serious the situation was.
4. "I'd rather you wouldn't walk home on your own after the party", her mother said.
5. What made me really angry was that he didn't even phone me on my birthday.
6. Unless you have experience in teaching young learners you cannot apply for this job.
7. Had I had my credit card with me I would have been able to buy the books I wanted. / Had I not forgotten my credit card I would have been able to buy the books I wanted.
8. The longer we wait the less likely we are to clinch a deal.
9. The wind in all likelihood has blown open the door.
10. If only I hadn't told her about her boyfriend's previous flings.