## Ben Meets the Family

## **Part 1 Comprehension** *Answer these questions after you watch the video.*

- 1. T/F Jules' regular driver called Becky and told her that he is sick and can't drive Jules.
- 2. T/F Becky seems to trust Ben.
- 3. T/F Matt invites Ben in for coffee.
- 4. T/F Matt is responsible for doing the laundry.
- 5. **T/F** Matt offers to drive Paige to school.
- 6. T/F Paige seems scared of Ben.
- 7. **T/F** Matt prefers to be called a "house-husband".
- 8. T/F Matt used to work with Jules at About the Fit.
- 9. **T/F** Matt quit his job when Jules' company became successful.
- 10. T/F Jules wants Ben to continue being her driver.

# **Part 2 Language Review** Choose the word or expression from the video that best matches the highlighted expressions.

- 1. Jules' driver is [ missing ].
- 2. Ring bell, walk away. [ I understand ].
- 3. [Wait]. I'm coming. Hi. Here for Jules?
- 4. That's okay. Everyone thinks it's [very funny].
- 5. They actually prefer to be called [ house-husbands ].
- 6. When "About the Fit" [became successful], he left to be a full-time dad. Totally [rescued us].

# **Part 3 Discussion** Discuss these questions with your partner or group.

- 1. How would you describe Matt? Choose four adjectives that best represent him.
- 2. Why does Jules want to transfer Ben to a different department?
- 3. Later in the movie, we find out that Matt is cheating on Jules. Are you surprised? Why?
- 4. How do you think Jules really feels about Matt being a stay-at-home dad? Proud? Thankful? Disappointed? Guilty? Why?
- 5. How do you think Matt really feels about being a stay-at-home dad? Happy to spend time with his daughter? Resentful? Stressed? Satisfied? Bored? Guilty? Why?
- 6. How do you feel about the man staying home and taking care of the children while the woman works? Would you feel comfortable in a similar situation?
- 7. How are gender roles changing in your country? Do you think that it is for the better or for the worse? Why?

<b>Part 4 Grammar</b> These sentences are from the video. Try to remember the preposition that best completes each sentence. (Nothing is possible.)	
1.	Can you pick her up this morning?
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4.	I'll wait the car.
5.	Sorry, she can't talk now. She's a call.
6.	Hey, Paige, this is Ben. He works mommy.
7.	Matty, did an ATF box arrive me?
8.	The ATF box is the table.
9.	Thank you the coffee. Thanks letting me play.
10.	Ben, we're going to drop Paige school, okay?
11.	I've read these house-husbands. It's interesting how that all worked just now.
12.	They actually prefer to be called stay-at-home dads.
<b>Part 5 Sentence Building</b> Write sentences about the video clip using the words given. You can change the word form or add words, but you cannot change the word order. Use a present time frame (mainly present tenses).	
E.g.	Becky / call / Ben / and / wake / him
	Becky calls Ben and wakes him up.
1.	Jules / driver / MIA / so / Ben / have / pick / her / and / drive / her / work
2.	Matt / answer / door / and / invite / Ben / in / coffee
3.	Matt / warn / Ben / careful / Lego / floor
4.	Ben / meet / Jules / daughter / Paige
5.	when / Ben / try / leave / Paige / offer / him / raisin
6.	Jules / have / take / Paige / school / way / work
7.	Matt / have / quit / great / job / marketing / when / About the Fit / take
8.	Jules / text / Cameron / and / ask / him / transfer / Ben / other / team

# Script

Ben: Hello?

Becky: Hey, Ben. It's Becky. From Jules' office?

**Ben:** Yeah, hey. What's up?

Becky: Jules' driver is M.I.A. He's not answering any of my texts. I know you drove Jules yesterday, and I

didn't hear any complaints. So can you pick her up this morning?

**Ben:** Sure.

**Becky:** You know where she lives?

**Ben:** I was there yesterday.

Becky: Okay, so you remember.

Ben: Yeah.

**Becky:** And you're hearing me, right?

Ben: Loud and clear, boss.

**Becky:** Okay, so be there at 7:45, ring the bell, and walk away. She'll know it's you.

Ben: Ring bell, walk away. Got it.

**Ben:** Oh, walk away.

Matt: Hang on. I'm coming. Hi, here for Jules?

**Ben:** Yeah, hi. Sorry. I'll wait in the car.

Matt: Uh, she's on a call. Do you want to come in? I just made some coffee. Could be a while. I'm Matt.

Ben: Ben Whittaker.

Matt: Good to meet you. Come on in. Legos everywhere, so watch your step. Have a seat, Ben. Hey,

Paige, this is Ben. He works with mommy.

Paige: I'm playing princess memory game.

**Ben:** Oh, yeah. Looks like you're about to win.

**Matt:** So, your Jules' new driver?

**Ben:** No, actually, I'm her intern.

Paige: That's hysterical.

**Matt:** You know what an intern is?

Paige: No.

**Ben:** That's okay. Everyone thinks it's hysterical.

Jules: Hey, Matt, did a... Morning.

Ben: Morning.

**Matt:** Is that all dry-cleaning?

Jules: These three are. These two are laundry. And this button, this button is missing. I mean, it's loose,

so if you could just...

**Matt:** You got it. Hey, and honey, before you leave, I just got to go over a couple things.

Jules: Okay. Look who I found. He was in your hamper. Matty, did an ATF box arrive for me?

Matt: On the table.

Ben: I think I'll just wait, wait out...

Paige: Do you want a raisin?

Ben: Thank you.

**Ben:** Thank you for the coffee. Thanks for letting me play.

Jules: Oh! Sorry.

**Ben:** I'll meet you in the car.

Jules: Actually, I have to go. Come on, sweetie. Ben, we're going to drop Paige at school, okay?

**Ben:** Let's do it.

Jules: Kiss daddy goodbye.

**Ben:** Matt seems like a terrific guy. Sorry, I didn't mean to interrupt.

**Jules:** Uh, that's okay. I agree. He is.

**Ben:** I've read about these house-husbands. It's interesting how that all worked just now.

**Jules:** They actually prefer to be called stay-at-home dads.

**Ben:** Oh, sorry. I did not know that. Well, it's very admirable. He's a real 21st Century father.

Jules: He is. He actually had a great job in marketing. But when "About the Fit" took off, he left to be a

full-time dad. Totally saved our butts.

**Jules:** Oh, we're here, big girl.

## **Answers**

#### Part 1

- 1. **False** Jules' regular driver called Becky and told her that he is sick and can't drive Jules.
- 2. False Becky seems to trust Ben.
- 3. **True** Matt invites Ben in for coffee.
- 4. **True** Matt is responsible for doing the laundry.
- 5. False Matt offers to drive Paige to school.
- 6. False Paige seems scared of Ben.
- 7. **False** Matt prefers to be called a "house-husband".
- 8. False Matt used to work with Jules at ATF.
- 9. True Matt quit his job when Jules' company became successful.
- 10. False Jules wants Ben to continue being her driver.

#### Part 2

- 1. Jules' driver is [ MIA ].
- 2. Ring bell, walk away. [ Got it ].
- 3. [ Hang on ]. I'm coming. Hi. Here for Jules?
- 4. That's okay. Everyone thinks it's [ hysterical ].
- 5. They actually prefer to be called [ stay-at-home dads ].
- 6. When "About the Fit" [ took off ], he left to be a full-time dad. Totally [ saved our butts ].

#### Part 4

- 1. Can you pick her up **Ø** this morning?
- 2. I was  $\underline{\mathbf{Ø}}$  there  $\underline{\mathbf{Ø}}$  yesterday.
- 3. Okay, be **Ø** there **at** 7:45, ring the bell, and walk away.
- 4. I'll wait <u>in</u> the car.
- 5. Sorry, she can't talk now. She's **on** a call.
- 6. Hey, Paige, this is Ben. He works with mommy.
- 7. Matty, did an ATF box arrive **for** me?
- 8. The ATF box is **on** the table.
- 9. Thank you **for** the coffee. Thanks **for** letting me play.
- 10. Ben, we're going to drop Paige <u>at</u> school, okay?
- 11. I've read **about** these house-husbands. It's interesting how that all worked just now.
- 12. They actually prefer to be called **Ø** stay-at-home dads.

#### Part 5

- 1. Jules' driver is MIA, so Ben has to pick her up and drive her to work.
- 2. Matt answers the door and invites Ben in for coffee.
- Matt warns Ben to be careful of the Lego on the floor.
  Matt warns Ben to be careful because there is (some) Lego on the floor.
- 4. Ben meets Jules' daughter Paige.
- 5. When Ben tries to leave, Paige offers him a raisin.
- 6. Jules has to take Paige to school on her way to work.
- 7. Matt had to quit [his/a] great job in marketing when About the Fit took off.
- 8. Jules texts Cameron and asks him to transfer Ben to another team.