The Podcast – Marcelo

Listen to the interview with Marcelo.

1 Complete the table with the correct information.

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Country of origin</th>
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<tr>
<td>Time spent in Oxford</td>
<td>2 years 4 months</td>
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<td>Length of course in Oxford</td>
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<td>Type of food produced at the factory where Marcelo works</td>
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<td>Number of different shifts</td>
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<td>Number of people that Marcelo looks after</td>
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<td>Number of areas that Marcelo looks after</td>
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<td>Marcelo’s father’s job</td>
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Listen again and complete the following.

2 Circle the correct information.

1 Marcelo is currently in the UK on holiday / business.
2 Marcelo prefers the UK / prefers South America / has no preference.
3 Marcelo says the most important thing about living abroad is knowing the language / having a nice place to live / having friends.

3 Decide if the following are true (T) or false (F).

1 English is important in Marcelo’s job. □
2 Marcelo is an auditor and translator. □
3 Marcelo gets his programme for the week from his boss. □
4 Marcelo prefers to deal with any problems by email. □

4 Answer the following questions.

1 What did Marcelo want to be when he was a boy?
2 What job would Marcelo like to have in the future?
3 Where does Marcelo hope to be in five years’ time?

Discuss in pairs

5 Marcelo talks about working shifts. What is a shift? Would you like to work shifts? Consider the advantages and disadvantages of working shifts.
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Teacher’s Notes

1
1 Brazil   2 2 years   3 frankfurters/sausages   4 3   5 80   6 6   7 researcher

2
1 holiday   2 has no preference   3 knowing the language

3
1 true   2 false – food engineer, line manager and translator   3 false – from Human Resources   4 false – in person

4
1 an astronaut   2 marketing or research manager   3 Europe or England

5 Ask students to discuss the subject of shifts and get them to decide if they would be happy working night, early morning and day shifts.

Note on the transcript:
A few words in the transcript of the podcast are highlighted. These are either grammatical errors or else a misuse of a word or phrase. With stronger students, you may consider eliciting a corrected transcript.

Suggested corrections:
Then I got went back to Brazil
It’s my country but, um, in here you have lots of other things like security in other countries people used to often say
I have 80 people which that I have to look after
you’re trying to sort out their problems instead of going and chatting since I was very young or from a very young age