

TRANSKRYPCJA NAGRAŃ

Zadanie 1.

Imagine you want to visit as many countries in Europe as possible in 24 hours. How many do you think you could see in that time? Ten, fifteen or more? Well, the story of the challenge starts in 2012. In that year four American friends set the record at 17 countries. Then, in September 2014 a group of three young Norwegians managed to visit 19 countries! They started the trip in Greece and the finishing line was in Liechtenstein. They even got to their final destination 20 minutes before the deadline. Most of the trip was done in cars which they rented on the way. But in two cases they had to catch a plane to reach another country faster. For example, they flew from Austria to Germany.

During their record trip they had some difficult moments. For example, stormy weather made it impossible for them to visit Italy, which was going to be the 20th country. Also, right at the beginning of the trip, the team's cameraman was stopped by the Greek police for a short period of time for filming illegally at the border with Bulgaria. Then, they saw a long line of cars waiting at Kosovo's border. It was so long that after a short discussion, the three men decided to get out of the car and rushed across the border to Kosovo, took a photo to prove they had been there and returned to Serbia. Then they moved on to the next destination. Despite these difficulties, the trip finished well. The three Norwegians were tired but very happy!

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Zadanie 2.

Speaker 1.

A few years ago I was in Paris on New Year's Eve. Shortly before midnight, I decided to take a walk. When I was next to the Eiffel Tower, I met an American couple who couldn't find their hotel. My English wasn't good at that time but I managed to help them. They invited me to a lovely restaurant to thank me. The place was crowded, but the food was amazing. Since then I've visited them twice in New York.

Speaker 2.

Last year I spent New Year's Eve in Rio de Janeiro. On that day people in Brazil wear white clothes. It's a symbol of peace. I think it's a great idea. Just like everybody else I swam in the ocean at night. I also ate pork because Brazilians believe it will bring good luck in the coming year. I loved it! It was the best way ever to start a new year. I'm saving money to go there next year to find out more about the people and their fascinating traditions.

Speaker 3.

I spent New Year's Eve in Scotland. I was going to take part in one of the biggest New Year's Eve celebrations in Europe, Hogmanay. I felt very excited as I waited for the event to start. The excitement soon changed into frustration when the celebrations were cancelled! It turned out that the wind and heavy snow had spoiled everything. And so I spent New Year's Eve watching TV in my hotel room instead. I hadn't imagined my New Year's Eve would be like that!

Speaker 4.

When I stayed in Stockholm in the winter of 2010, I spent New Year's Eve watching the fireworks show and the city from Observatory Hill. I went there on my own. Luckily, the place is not popular among tourists so nobody disturbed me as I admired the fireworks over the rooftops of Stockholm. I will never forget how beautiful they were and how peaceful Observatory Hill was.

Speaker 5.

Everybody says that Spanish people love to party, so I expected to have a great time on New Year's Eve in Spain. However, when I visited my friends in Madrid, I couldn't believe that they suggested staying at home. I had to talk about politics, listen to boring stories and watch silly commercials on TV all night. It wasn't very exciting. I'd had a different picture of Spanish celebrations.

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Zadanie 3.

Interviewer: Welcome to the first of our interviews with fascinating people. Our guest today is James Dyson – one of the world's best-known inventors.

James: Thanks for inviting me. It's great to be here.

Interviewer: James, how did your career start?

James: Well, I can't say that I was keen on science when I was a kid. What's more, my design and technology classes at primary school were quite boring – in my opinion we didn't do anything useful. Luckily, in the first year of secondary school a schoolmate took me to his garage and showed me the small engines his father made there. It impressed me so much that I decided to become an engineer. My first real invention was a set of solar lights for the garden. They weren't very professional, but they worked and then I tried to improve them. When you are young, it is good to experiment because you can learn from your mistakes.

Interviewer: That's interesting. And do your sons share your interests?

James: Sure! They can't live without making models and fixing things. I wanted them to try making things from an early age. They used to spend every summer holiday in the garden workshop with me, building different prototypes of machines. My older son Tom was only 16 when he invented a technology used in LED lights – it allows lights to shine for 37 years. And Sam, my younger son, helped me to develop my latest vacuum cleaner.

Interviewer: Is it possible to make every child an inventor?

James: Probably not, but we should try. It's important to teach every child how to be creative – and it must be something more than just giving them a block of wood. My educational program, called the *James Dyson Award*, is for primary and secondary school students. I want every student to experiment with plastic and metal during design and technology classes. Sometimes they also use paper to make models. I ask students to build things and then they have to think about how to improve them. Interestingly, weaker students find such activities fascinating and are much better at making things than students who achieve good exam results. Teachers also consider such activities valuable.

Interviewer: And the last question. What are your plans for the nearest future?

James: I'd like to spend my holidays in Japan this year. I often travel on business and although I've visited many countries so far, I've never been to Japan. It is the home of electronics, so a lot of my ideas were born after reading about the amazing inventions created there. It was also the first country to adopt my technology. Visiting that fascinating country has always been my dream.

Interviewer: Thank you very much.

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