

(13.10.2020) Reading text + problem solving + ACERT exam practice

1. Reading text: Quick loans for Mexican businesses

- Please read the text that I have attached as a separate file and do the two exercises.
- **Attach your answers as the Exercises done assignment.**

2. To finish off the topic of crisis situations in business, please **work in pairs or groups of three.**

- Study the situation below and discuss possible solutions in pairs or groups of three.
- Post your conclusions in one of the wikis attached.
- **Remember to sign your wiki entry.**
- **Everyone is obliged to participate in the wiki.**

You are members of a small consultancy group whose task is to advise a **food producing company (or a different business profile of your choice)** on how to diversify its operations during the present/a pandemic, when people have changed their shopping, eating and social habits to some extent.

Consider the following:

- Which product or products could the company develop or sell that would be successful/sell well in a pandemic situation?
- How long would it take to put this product or products on the market?
- How could the development and marketing of the products be financed?
- What financial terms/conditions would the company be able to accept in order to access funding quickly?

3. ACERT exam practice

- The exam practice consists of a vocabulary exercise and transformations.
- “Business Travel Expenses” is a typical ACERT exam format: a multiple choice task.
- Please use a dictionary while working on it. You will find a link to a very good English-English dictionary with user-friendly definitions and lots of examples.
- Before you start working of the transformations attached, please study the file on how to deal with transformations.
- Do the 5 transformations attached at the end of this file. Post the complete new(=transformed) sentences.
- **Attach your answers to both these tasks as the Exercises done assignment.**

4. The deadline for this work is: 18.10.2020, time: 22.00.

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. You **must use between two and five words**, including the word given.

1. The students will finish this advanced mathematics course at the beginning of June. **HAVE**
The advanced mathematics course _____ the beginning of June.
2. I needed a cup of coffee this morning but I didn't have time for one. **DONE**
I _____ a cup of coffee this morning but I didn't have time for one.
3. I'm sure it will be snowing soon. **BOUND**
It _____ snowing soon.
4. This new dining table is far bigger than the one we had before. **NEARLY**
This new dining table is _____ the one we had before.
5. Maybe John has not remembered about tonight's party. **COULD**
I suppose John _____ about tonight's party.