

Video Worksheet

Unit number: 16 **Topic:** Every day

Video: Abdou describes his daily routine

Go to the *Mastering Arabic* website to play the video of Abdou talking about his daily routine. See if you can answer these questions:

- 1 Where is Abdou from?
- 2 At which university is he studying?
- 3 What time does he wake up?
- 4 What does he usually eat and drink for breakfast? Why is it different at the moment?
- 5 How does he travel to university?
- 6 What does he do when he gets home? Try to pick out the key information.



Extension activity

✓ Which of the following statements about Abdou are true?

- ١ عبدو فَلَسطينيّ.
- ٢ هو أُستاذ في جامعة لُندُن.
- ٣ يَصحو عبدو الساعة السابعة صباحاً.
- ٤ الآن نَحنُ في رَمَضان ولا يأكُل صباحاً.
 - ٥ عادةً يشرَب العصير للإفطار.
 - ٦ يذهَب إلى الجامعة بالقطار.
- ٧ يرجع إلى الشقّة الساعة الحادِية عَشَرة مَساءً.
 - ٨ بعد ذلك يأكُل عبدو العَشاء.

✓ See the following page for a full transcript, a translation, notes and answers to the comprehension questions and Extension activity.

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Transcript

مَرحَباً! اسمي عَبدو. أنا مِن مَدينة غَزّة في فَلَسطين. أنا طالِب في جامِعة لُندُن، هُنا في بريطانيا. كُلّ يَوم أصحو من النَوم الساعة الثامِنة صباحاً.

آكُل "الكورن فليكس" للإفطار، ولكِن نَحنُ الآن في شَهر رَمَضان. أشرَب عادةً كوب من عَصير الفَواكِه وأَذهَب إلى الجامعة بالباص. أرجع إلى الشقّة الساعة الحادية عَشَرة مَساءً وآخُذ دُش، وأنام.

Translation

Hello! My name's Abdou. I'm from Gaza city in Palestine.

I'm a student at the University of London, here in Britain.

Every day I wake up [from sleep] at eight o'clock in the morning. I eat cornflakes for breakfast, but now we're in the month of Ramadan. I usually drink a glass of fruit juice and go to the university by bus.

I return to the apartment at eleven o'clock in the evening, and I take a shower and go to sleep.

Notes

- ✓ During the Islamic month of Ramadan, Muslims fast between sunrise and sunset. Abdou refers to the fact that he is talking during Ramadan and so his eating and drinking routine is different from usual.
- دش (dush) = shower (from the French word 'douche').

Answers to comprehension questions

I From Gaza city in Palestine. 2 London University. 3 Eight o'clock.

4 Cornflakes and a glass of fruit juice. It's different at the moment because it's Ramadan. 5 By bus. 6 He takes a shower and goes to sleep.

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