

# Appendix B: Dictations

## 1. Engineer Is Enthusiastic About Odd New Home (page 5)

Bruce Campbell lives in a plane **instead of** a traditional house. He **paid** \$100,000 **for** it. The cabin feels large because he took most of the seats out. The bathrooms, **on the other hand**, are tiny. Bruce **is enthusiastic about** his home and **points out** that it's stronger than most. He's a bachelor **at present**. He jokes that he'll buy a bigger plane if he meets his **soul mate**.

## 2. Man Eats Out and Gets More Than He Ordered (page 11)

When Henry Snowden **pulled into** Burger King, he was **hungry as a bear**. He got his food **as well as a surprise**—over \$4,000! Henry knew he should **give** the money **back**, but he didn't do it **right off the bat**. He had to **sleep on it**. When he **went back to** Burger King with the money, he got lunch **on the house**. Henry feels good now and **has a clear conscience**.

## 3. Out on a Limb (page 17)

Julia Butterfly **has spent two years** living in a tree. She's **taking a stand** to save the redwood trees in California. She stays in the tree **around the clock** and **puts up with** many dangers and difficulties. She **looks forward to taking** a hot **shower** when she comes down. Julia has really **gone out on a limb** for her beliefs.

## 4. On Top of the World (page 23)

Tom had a difficult life after his car accident, but he refused to **give up** his dream. He **set his sights on** climbing Mt. Everest and **breaking new ground** as a disabled person. **Year in and year out** for ten years, he trained hard. He **made two attempts** to climb the mountain, but bad weather and illness **forced him back**. Finally, in 1998, he **made history**.

## 5. Boy Fights Lion Tooth and Nail (page 29)

When Aaron **set out on** a hike one summer day, he didn't know that he would become a hero. He was walking **in front of** Dante. He turned around when he heard a scream and **got the shock of his life**. A lion had Dante by the neck. Aaron reacted **in a flash** and **fought the lion tooth and nail**. The lion finally **let go** of Dante and **backed off**. It was a **close call**!

## 6. Face-to-Face After 56 Years (page 35)

Anna **gave birth to** her daughter Ludmilla during World War II. She lost her in a labor camp a year later. Anna **lived through** the war and **searched for** Ludmilla but couldn't find her. She moved to the U.S. but couldn't stop **thinking about** her daughter. Finally, Anna **found out** that Ludmilla was alive in Russia. They **made plans for** a reunion, and after 56 years, they met **face-to-face**.

## 7. Globe-Trotting Frog Comes Home (page 41)

The Knights first thought some kids **ripped off** their frog. But then they **heard from** the frog in New York. He said he had to **get away** but would **be back** by Christmas. **Sure enough**, after visiting many countries, the **globe-trotting** frog arrived home. The Knights **don't have a clue** who took the frog, but they **were good sports** and **got a kick out of** his adventure.

## 8. Emu Falls Madly in Love (page 53)

When the emu **showed up** and Ed began feeding it, he was **asking for trouble**. The bird began following him **all day long** and **driving him crazy**. One day, things **went from bad to worse**. The bird ran toward Ed making mating calls. He was **scared stiff** and didn't want to **go out of** his house. Finally, the Animal Rescue Foundation **got involved** and **helped Ed out**.

### 9. *Man Ties the Knot with Stranger (page 59)*

David Weinlick **was sick and tired of** people asking him when he was going to **get married**. He wasn't **going out with** anyone, but he started to **get ready for** his wedding. He organized a bridal contest to **take place** on June 13. About 25 women showed up and David married the winner. He and his new bride have **hit it off** and both are happy that they **tyed the knot**.

### 10. *Graffiti Makes Him See Red (page 65)*

Mike Quintana **sees red** when he sees graffiti. He **can't stand** it. He spends a lot of time trying to **get rid of** it. Recently, Quintana **caught** three teens **red-handed**. There was a fight. Quintana **got the upper hand** and called the police. When one of the teens threatened Quintana, he **hit the ceiling**. He took a can of red paint and sprayed the boys in the face. Now he **is paying the price**.

### 11. *Family Hits the Road with a Horse, a Wagon, and a Dream (page 71)*

The Grant family **hit the road** in their wagon in 1990. They **got off to a good start**, but soon they **ran into** several problems. There was a war in the Balkans. **Red tape** in China made them go into Mongolia, 1,600 kilometers **out of the way**. They had to **drive bandits away**. Finally, after seven years **on the road**, the family has **settled down**.

### 12. *A One-of-a-Kind Hotel (page 77)*

Jules' Lodge is a **one-of-a-kind** hotel. To **check in**, you have to scuba dive. There are big windows where you can watch the fish **go by**. A control room monitors the hotel **at all times** and **keeps** the water **out**. You'll **pay through the nose** at the hotel, but they **give you the red-carpet treatment**. You'll **have a ball** there!

### 13. *Cyber-Romance Leads to Cross-Cultural Marriage (page 83)*

After they met on the Internet, Figen and Dan realized they **had a lot in common**. Dan decided to **make a trip** to Turkey to meet Figen. He **was on edge**. Figen **was nervous about** the meeting too, but when they **set eyes on** each other, they knew it **was the real thing**. **Before long**, Dan returned to Turkey to **ask for Figen's hand**.

### 14. *Solo Sailor Operates on Himself—Via E-mail (page 89)*

On the **first leg** of the race, Viktor **was in his element**. But then his elbow became a problem. **In the middle** of a storm, he had to operate. He **kept a stiff upper lip**, following the doctor's instructions **to the letter**. Then something **went wrong**. Blood was all over the place. He e-mailed the doctor. Finally, the doctor **put two and two together** and told Viktor to stop taking aspirin. Viktor **was out of the woods**.