# **INGILIZCE** Sınıf-11

### **KONU FACTS ABOUT TURKEY**

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

THE TROJAN HORSE: After 10 years of long bloody war, the Greek soldiers made a sneaky plan to take the city of Troy. They built a huge wooden horse and chose the strongest warriors to hide inside it. The Greeks pretended to sail away, and the people thought the horse was a gift and pulled it into their city. Later that night, the Greek soldiers climbed down the horse to open the gates for their army and destroyed the city. Today the archaeologists agree that Troy was burnt down and the wooden horse is just an imaginary figure.

THE MAIDEN'S TOWER: According to the myth, an emperor had a very beautiful daughter. One day, fortune tellers told him that his daughter would be killed by a poisonous snake at the age of 18. So, he decided to put her in a tower which was built on a small island. However, her fate was sealed. The princess was killed by a snake which came in a basket of delicious fruit on her 18th birthday. Of course, it is just a sad legend of the awesome tower which was used as a lighthouse and a prison in the past. Today, it is used as a restaurant.

MOUNT CHIMAERA: Once upon a time, there was a horrible dragon with the head of a lion, the body of a goat and the tail of a snake. This aggressive fire-breathing dragon used to live in Mount Olympus. According to the mythology, the dragon was killed by a

hero in the mountain and the flaming rocks continued to breathe fire since then. Today, it is known that the source of the fire is natural gas, which has been burning for at least 2,500 years.

#### **PROVERBS CORNER:**

If you can't beat them, join them: When you fail to change others' behaviour, you might have to change yourself instead. In this way, you can adapt to the circumstances.

The grass is always greener on the other side of the hill: When people are dissatisfied with what they have, they usually want whatever they don't have. They think there are better opportunities out there.

Don't count your chickens before they hatch: You shouldn't be too optimistic and excited about an outcome as your plans might not work out. So, it'll be a good idea to wait and see until you succeed. And then you can think about your next step.

You can't teach an old dog new tricks: Old people usually can't learn new things or adapt to changes easily in life. So, it is important to train a person early in life.

The early bird catches the worm: If you are motivated to get what you want, you will have a chance for success. So, when you prepare well and get started early, you will have an advantage over others.

## 1. ve 2.soruyu aşağıdaki parçaya göre cevaplayınız.

**SORULAR:** 

Construction of the Topkapı Palace was started at the year 1460 after the conquest of Istanbul by Mehmed the Conqueror in 1453. The Palace was completed in 1478. It was built upon a 700.000 square meter area located at the Istanbul Peninsula between Sea of Marmara, Bosporus and the Golden Horn. Topkapı Palace was the administrative, educational and art centre of the Empire for nearly four hundred years. After the establishment of the Republic of Turkey, Topkapı Palace was transformed into a museum on April 3th, 1924 and it was the first museum of the Republic of Turkey. It is also one of the biggest palace-museums with its architectural structures, collections and approximately 300.000 archive papers. It's the most visited place in Istanbul with around 4 million visitors

## 1. Topkapı Palace was built - - - -.

A) in the 20th century

ever year.

B) for 4 hundred years

C) between 1460 and 1478

- D) before the conquest of İstanbul
- E) with the establishment of Republic of Turkey

Cevap: C

# 2. Which of the following is true according to the text?

- A) It's the biggest palace-museum in the world.
- B) It was of no importance during the Ottoman Empire.
- C) It has been used as a museum since it was constructed.
- D) It is visited less than any museums in Istanbul every year.
- E) It is on the coast of sea of Marmara, Bosporus and Golden Horn.

Cevap: E

## 3. Verilen cümleye anlamca en yakın seçeneği işaretleyiniz.

Archaeologists have excavated the ancient city extensively.

- A) This ancient city has survived several times.
- B) Archaeologists are digging to find the treasure.
- C) The ancient city has been excavated extensively.
- D) Archaeologists tried to discover the ancient city.
- E) The ancient city will be explored soon.

Cevap: C



