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**БИЛЕТ № 4**

*communication cord – стон-кран*

It was the rush hour and Bill was on his way home from London. When he reached Waterloo station, the train was at the platform. Nearly all the carriages were full, but Bill found a seat between two fat ladies in a non-smoking compartment.

When the train was starting off, a man ran down the platform, opened the carriage door and jumped into the compartment. He was wearing a black suit, a black hat and he was carrying a black bag, an umbrella and an evening newspaper. As the compartment was full, he opened the door into the corridor and walked towards the front of the train.

The train stopped at every station. Nearly all the passengers got out, except the two ladies in Bill's compartment. They talked so loudly that Bill went out of the compartment and walked towards the front of the train. Suddenly he saw the man in black again.

He was standing at the open window of a first-class compartment. His right hand was holding the communication cord. He was quite alone in the compartment. Before Bill could do anything, the man pulled the cord. The train stopped and Bill fell forward. When he got up, the man had gone. Bill rushed to the window and saw the man in black walking quickly towards a large house in the park. Bill wanted to run after the man, when the guard arrived.

The guard wondered who had pulled the cord. Bill pointed to the man in black who was walking to the big house. Bill thought he was a thief.

The guard looked out of the window. He saw the man in black. He said: "That's Sir Bertram Montague. He sometimes doesn't get out at the station – he pulls the communication cord as the train passes his house. It costs him 25 pounds each time. But he is so rich that he can afford it".

**Key**

		True	False	Not stated
1	Many people wanted to get home from London by train.	+		
2	Non-smoking compartments are never full.			+
3	The man in black took a seat in Bill's compartment.		+	
4	The man in black left the non-smoking compartment to have a smoke.		+	
5	The train stopped at every station.	+		
6	The two ladies in Bill's compartment talked about their families.			+
7	Bill left the compartment as the two ladies talked very loudly.	+		
8	Bill wanted to find the man in black.		+	
9	The man in black got off the train at the next station.		+	
10	The man in black was so rich that he could afford to stop a train to get out at his own house.	+		